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GOP USING 'SCARECROWS' TO HIDE FAILURES OF LEADERSHIP: HUMPHREY

America's voters will "call the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration to account" in November for the failure of Republican leadership "at home and abroad" Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.) told a Democratic Rally In. ' . The occasion was the Jefferson Democratic Elub Picnic in Anderson yesterday.

"he are not going to let them 'change the subject' and campaign against a false set of manufactured 'scarecrows' of their own making, " Senator Humphrey declared.

"The Eisenhower-Nixon Administration, in less than six years in office, has brought America to the worst recession since World War II at home, and to mortal danger of war and worldwide defeat abroad, " Senator Humphrey added.

"It has done this by its failure to give the nation leadership, a failure resulting in a surrender to Old Guard conservative domestic policies and stale, useless foreign policies.

"As a result, our country is now faced with:

"...more than five million unemployed; - Steel Brook, construction, 18 B. II-

"... the highest prices in history for consumers; \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Deficil

"...loss of American influence and prestige everywhere in the world;

... the daily danger of war in the Middle East - tav East

... A communist dictatorship that challenges us in scientific skill and is speeding ahead in economic and power development;

... An inadequate military establishment, to meet this Red threat;

"....corruption and influence-seeking in the White House and at other high levels of government, and in His-way Depts

...a farm slump that has driven four million people off the farm in six years; reduced farm prices, lowered farm income, increased farm debt, and is now confronting us with an ever-expanding agriculture surplus.

... race relations made worse instead of better.

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"All of these GOP failures are dodumented. We just need to look at the Record. "

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"We Democrats would have passed many additional measures in the public interest but for the opposition of the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration and the Republicans in Congress -- measures such as better farm programs, school construction, broad labor reforms, new atomic power reactors, and vital community public works.

"Our record is so good that the Republican Party, judging by the gyrations of the Senate Republican Policy Committee and the sleight-of-hand of the Republican National Committee, does not want to go to the country -- does not want to face an accounting to the American voters in the next two months -- in a campaign based on the record of performances of the Democratic Party and the failures of the Republican Party.

"Instead of running against the Democratic Party, against the Democratic record, and against the Democratic candidates, it is quite clear that the basic strategy of the Republican Party for this 1958 campaign is to try and 'change the subject'.

"Instead of measuring Republican performances against Democratic performances on specific domestic and international issues that mean the difference between prosperity and recession between the establishment of peace and the continuance and worsening of international tensions under conditions that make our standing weaker, not stronger -- the Republican Party obviously has decided to set up and run against a carefully selected set of technicolored scarecrows labeled 'The labor Bosses -- America's Third Party'.

"Of course, this set of scarecrows with whom the Republican political doubledomes hope to frighten the American voters into voting for more Republican recessions, more Republican brinkmanship, is pretty exclusive.

"Balieve it or not, it includes no Republican labor leader.

"By what is probably no accident, it excludes the Republican Maurice Hutcheson who was chairman of the Labor Division of the Republican National Committee in the 1956 campaign -- and who was deeply involved in scandals exposed by the McClellan Committee.

"It excludes Republican James Hoffa; it finds no space to mention Johnny Dio, w o apparently enjoys Republican innocence by association with Hoffa.

"At the same time it seeks to ignore and hide the constructive actions of the AFL-CIO President George Meany, the actions of the conventions in disciplining and, on occasion, expelling large and small international unions found in violation of a code of ethical practices that has yet to be equaled by the NAM, the Chamber of Commerce, or, far as I know, any other groups of employers.

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"In fact, it would seem that, if you are a Republican labor leader, you get Republican immunity; you are omitted from the Republican collection of scarecrows.

"But if you are a labor leader who has supported Democratic candidates and the Democratic party, if you are an independent labor leader whose union has on occasion given support to Democratic candidates, then automatically, you are in like sin.

If you are Walter Reuther or George Harrison or James McDevitt or Louis Hollander or any of the hundreds of democratically elected officers of labor unions who have supported Democratic candidates, then you qualify for the Republican's exclusive target.

Never mind the fact that these men have fought and today are continuing to fight racketeers in labor and management, just as they fought and drove out Communists and Communism from positions of influence in the American labor movement. The Republicans do not want the American people to ldok at the real story of who is doing an honest job of trying to protect America's working men and women by cleaning up hoodlums who, with management collusion, infiltrate the labor movement.

"And for good reason, too. If they did, they would know who killed effective legislation to wipe out labor-management corruption.

"Who killed Cock Robin -- and why? That is the question people should ask, when our Republican politicians try to attack American labor.

"Who killed the Kennedy-Ives Act for labor reform?

"Republicans did the job -- in an unholy alliance with the NAM and crooks and hoodlums who wanted to preserve their power.

"They killed the legislation -- because it would have killed the only issue the Republicans had planned for this campaign.

"Apparently, the reactionary majority of Republicans preferred a dead bill and a live issue, to a live law and a dead issue. For supposed political advantage in this election, Republicans killed the bill -- and gave the Beck-Hoffa-Dio-Shefferman type of racketeering a reprieve of one and perhaps two years.

"We Democrats are not going to let the Republican candidates and their 1958 Congressional and Senatorial elections get away with their attempt to 'change the subject', their attempt to distruct the record, and their attempt to avoid measurement and comparison of the Republican and Democratic performances as shown by the real record of the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration -- and that of the Democratic 85th Congress.

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