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IDEAS, NOT MACHINE GUNS, WILL WIN THE WORLD, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

Ideas, and not machine guns, may determine the survival of freedom in the world, Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and Chairman of both its Disarmament Subcommittee and Subcommittee on Middle East and African Affairs, declared at noon today in an address at the Rotary Club in Marshall, Minnesota.

"We cannot win the battle for men's minds with machine guns and mortars," Senator Humphrey declared. "We can win it basically only with superior ideas

"If we would win we must be ourselves. We must act ourselves. We must fulfill our true nature.

"We are not war-mongers. We are not imperialists, as the Soviets picture us.

"We are Good Samaritans. We believe in helping people to help themselves. We believe in healing the sick and feeding the hungry. This is the soul and spirit of America--and we should be proud of it.

"We should not be concentrating national and world attention on our development of new and more frightful weapons of destruction. Rather, we should be laboring mightily and wisely in the peaceful fields of international economic development, cultural exchange, health, and education, while working very quietly but strenuously to stay abreast of the U.S.S.R. in military preparedness.

"Specifically, we should reverse the military emphasis in our foreign aid program. Because we do not separate funds for economic development from the military aid--something which should be done without delay--Americans have little knowledge of the limited extent of our foreign economic assistance. They believe we are doing a great deal when we are actually slighting the issue.

"The world of tomorrow will be shaped in large measure by what we do--or fail to do--now to give the underdeveloped countries assurance that we want to help them achieve economic progress and human dignity.

"Too frequently, we find an ironic contrast in Congress. For instance, within one day's brief session the Senate unanimously approved a \$40 billion Defense Appropriation Bill. Yet, it takes us far longer, and many roll-calls to authorize mere fractions of that sum for constructive peaceful purposes.

"The legislative and executive branches have both developed the habit of massive overseas arms aid appropriations. Yet, events have long since proven the limitation of mere arms aid alone. We had armed the Iraqi army, but we had forgotten about the thoughts in the minds of the Iraqi officers and enlisted men. And within a few brief hours, the arms which we had given to help defend the Iraq monarch had been used to overthrow that government.

"Our answer must come in deeds of peace--and they must be deeds, not mere words. But behind such deeds must be ideas--the ideas of inspired men and women who are carrying out the will for peace. We need such men--and such women--in public office today. We need your help in providing them. Minnesota has the opportunity, in November, of helping to fill that need by sending us Eugene McCarthy as your new U.S. Senator, and A.I. Johnson as your district's new Representative in Congress."

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NEW LEADERSHIP NEEDED TO SPUR NATION'S 'CRUSADE FOR PEACE'

America can "speak up at the ballot box" in November to "show the entire world our desires for more constructive efforts toward peace", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), member of the Senate's Foreign Relations Committee and Chairman of both its Disarmament Subcommittee and Subcommittee on Middle East, African, and South Asian Affairs, told a DFL Rally last night in Willmar.

"How can a nation that is governed by timid, cautious, and tired old men give the kind of dynamic, fearless, and imaginative leadership that is required if we are to match and outstrip the wily, cunning, strident, and vigorous tactics and challenge of Soviet power?" Senator Humphrey asked.

"How can conservative politicians who oppose TVA, public power, health insurance, and even unemployment compensation, really have their hearts in flood control in Africa and village development projects in Asia? How can politicians who disregard a recession at home appreciate human need abroad?

"Men who jeer at and oppose the philosophy of a welfare state are the wrong people for the responsibilities of leadership in a world where 3 out of 5 persons are the have-nots of underdeveloped nations -- where more than half of the population lives in hunger, disease, poverty, and insecurity -- where a majority of mankind seeks immediate answers to old problems."

Senator Humphrey called for a DFL victory in November "to stimulate new, progressive, constructive, and imaginative thinking in the approach to peace in the world."

"This, then, is the challenge facing every American in November of 1958 -- the challenge to show the world that the American people want to breathe new life and spirit, new attitudes and new philosophies, new blood and new courage, into our national leadership.

"It can be done -- by a resounding DFL victory in November.

America's voters will be called upon in November to "render a verdict of approval or protest" on the failures of the Republican-Eisenhower-Nixon-Benson-Dulles Administration, Senator Humphrey declared.

"Election of Congressman Eugene J. McCarthy to the United States Senate and A. I. Johnson to the House of Representatives from Minnesota will be a convincing protest against the fumbling and bungling of both Benson and Dulles, as well as against the collapsing leadership of the entire Republican administration in Washington," Senator Humphrey declared.

"On the other hand, a vote for any Republican candidate is a vote of approval for Benson, Dulles, and what's been happening to America under Republican leadership.

"That is the choice before our voters -- make no mistake about it. Some Republican candidates are now trying to hide from responsibility for failures of Republican leadership -- but the responsibility belongs on their shoulders.

"Victory for any Republican in Minnesota, will be hailed by Ezra Taft Benson as a vindication for his Republican price-cutting policies of plowing farmers under. He has already said so. When we Democrats rolled up a huge vote of protest against Republicanism in Maine, Secretary of Agriculture Benson said to wait and see how the midwest supported him by voting Republican.

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"It is up to Minnesota farmers to call his bluff, and quit voting for Republicans who profess to be 'against' Benson and yet support the Administration that keeps Benson. The way to vote against Benson is to vote against the Republican Party and the Administration that made him Secretary of Agriculture -- and the Republican Party that keeps him there.

"A vote for any Republican in November is a vote for continued failures in national leadership -- a failure that has already resulted in surrender to Old Guard conservative domestic policies and stale useless foreign policies. These GOP policies have confronted our great country with:

"...a farm slump that has driven four million people off the farm in six years; reduced farm prices, lowered farm income, increased farm indebtedness, higher costs of handling the farm program with less results, and is now creating an ever expanding agricultural surplus;

"...a record of small business bankruptcies;

"...more than five million unemployed;

"...the highest prices to consumers in history;

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

"...the daily danger of war in either the Middle East or Far East... or both;

"...a Communist dictatorship that challenges us in scientific skill and is speeding ahead in economic and power development

"...an inadequate military establishment of our own to meet this Red threat.

"...race relations made worse instead of better.

"...corruption and influence seeking in the White House and at other high levels of government.

"All of these GOP failures are documented. We just need to look at the Record. If you want more of the same, vote Republican whether for Senate, for Congress, or on the State ticket. If you have had enough, and want to protest--then you better vote Democratic-Farmer Labor right down the line," Senator Humphrey declared.

He called upon DFL workers throughout the state to "not let these Republicans leaders change the subject, and try to campaign against a false set of manufactured scarecrows of their own making."

"We are going to call Republican officials to account for their own Administration, whether they are ashamed of Benson, Dulles, and Nixon or not," he declared.

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BENSON 'COSTLIEST SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE--WITH LESS RESULTS': HUMPHREY

Under the Republican-Eisenhower-Nixon-Benson Administration, Minnesota's farmers have been "unfairly caught in an ever tightening squeeze between lower income and inflated costs of what they must buy," Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (DFL-Minn.) declared to a DFL rally in Morris, Minn., today.

"As a result the real purchasing power of the farmer's dollar, on a national average, has dropped 24% since Republicans took over the helm of our government," Senator Humphrey declared.

"In Minnesota, for example, this year our farmers had to sell 781 more bushels of corn to buy the same truck compared with 1952; they had to sell 179 more pounds of butterfat to buy the same cultivator, 169 more dozen eggs to buy the same gas stove; and 27 more hundredweight of cattle to buy the same combine."

In explaining the "price squeeze", Senator Humphrey pointed out that a 1½ ton truck selling at \$1610 in 1952 could be bought with sale of 1,038 bushels of corn at \$1.56; but, by contrast, it would require 1,819 bushels of corn at \$1.05 to buy the same truck selling for \$1910 in 1958.

"As we approach another election, it would be good for our farm friends to take time to appraise how they are faring under this Eisenhower Benson Administration," Senator Humphrey said.

"Regrettably it seems apparent that the farm 'crusade' guided by Ezra Taft Benson is steadily destroying farming as a way of life in America.

"Since the Republicans took office in 1952, 600,000 farms have been liquidated. Four million Americans have given up farming, most of them forced off their farms by falling prices and rising costs. In addition, millions of others have been forced to spend extra hours at city jobs to make ends meet.

"Minnesota's rural communities are sharing in the economic blow from this loss of farm population and decline in farm purchasing power.

"It isn't just farmers who are hurt by Benson's policies. Small businessmen have been hit, workers in farm equipment plants have been hit, auto dealers have been hit--and taxpayers generally have been hit hard.

"For surprisingly enough, Secretary Benson has been the most costly Secretary of Agriculture we have ever had--despite the fact he has produced the least result for farmers.

"Under his supposed 'business-like Administration', it is costing seven times as much to run the agricultural program as it did when the Democrats left office in 1952. That is something for taxpayers to think about.

"Secretary Benson, with less and less farmers to serve, has increased the staff of the Department of Agriculture 21%.

"Back in 1952, when there were 67,400 employees, he called it a 'swollen bureaucracy'; now, he has 85,000 employees--and gets less done for farmers", Senator Humphrey declared.



SMALL BUSINESS FAILURES SOARING UNDER GOP NEGLECT, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

The Republican-Eisenhower-Nixon Administration has shown "a calculated pattern of neglect for small business," Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (DFL-Minn.) declared last night in addressing a DFL dinner rally at Detroit Lakes.

"As business prospects for the country's 4 million small businessmen have worsened with the recession, the Republican Administration has:

"....Given increased defense orders to big businesses, at the expense of small businesses;

"....Interfered with Federal Trade Commission law enforcement and allowed soft settlements in anti-monopoly cases;

"....Enforced tight money policies that deprive small businessmen of needed loan funds", Senator Humphrey declared.

Senator Humphrey said the attitude of the GOP toward small business, despite "lip service" of some of its spokesmen in its behalf, was well typified by a remark of former Republican Assistant Interior Secretary Felix Wormser that "...business failures are part and parcel of our American way of life."

"They have rolled up quite a record of business failures, a record unequalled since the days of Herbert Hoover--and nobody seems anxious to try to exceed Hoover in closing doors of business," Senator Humphrey declared.

"Here is the record since the Republicans took office:

"1. Business failures for small business during the first six months of 1958 were up 100% over 1952--the last year of a Democratic Administration.

"2. Business bankruptcies in fiscal 1958 reached 85,000--a new record.

"3. New business starts in 1957 were 49% below the 1942-52 average.

"4. Small business' share of manufacturing profits fell 36% between 1952 and 1957. Its share of manufacturing sales fell 13%.

"The Republican Party has gone back on its 1956 Platform promise to small businessmen that they could 'look forward to expanded participation in Federal procurement'. The facts, according to Department of Defense figures, show small businesses are not getting their fair share of U.S. military orders."

"If there is any doubt about 'who gains under Republican Administration and who suffers', Senator Humphrey said, he suggested businessmen look at what has happened to big business profits vs. small business profits under the GOP between 1952 and the so-called "prosperity year" of 1957.

"Profits of biggest businesses, with assets over \$100 million, went up 67%," Senator Humphrey said. "Profits of big business with assets over \$1 million went up 29%.

"But profits of smaller businesses with assets under \$1 million went down 2%, and profits of smallest businesses with assets under \$250,000 went down 17%.

"In the first three months of 1958, official records disclose that the category of smallest businesses actually lost \$24 million," Senator Humphrey declared. "Something is wrong, in the face of such a record. If this Republican Administration is supposed to be a 'businessman's administration', as it claims, it certainly is not a 'small businessman's administration' -- it has stacked the deck toward making the big bigger, and squeezing out smaller competition."

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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 (DFL-Minn.) told a DFL Rally last night at Brainerd.

"We 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 world wide 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;

"...the highest prices in history for consumers;

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

"...the daily danger of war in the Far East or Middle East--or both;

"...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;

"...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.

"...a record of small business bankruptcies.

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

"Contrasted with it, Democratic control of the 85th Congress gave American the kind of dynamic leadership denied it by the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration.

"It seized the initiative from the Administration by passing measures to meet the Soviet challenge, restore U.S. prestige in the world and bolster the domestic economy.

"It also built great legislative landmarks in the field of human welfare--with new advances in health, social security and civil rights.

"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

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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.'"

"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 distrust 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.

Senator Humphrey declared that the U.S. Senate, "where so many vital decisions are made affecting our security abroad and our domestic economy at home", needs Eugene J. McCarthy's "ability, energy, and effectiveness."

"Congress needs re-election of Fred Marshall -- and your Sixth District needs to keep him on the job," Senator Humphrey said. "And all Minnesota needs to keep a progressive DFL administration in the statehouse."

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NEW OPPORTUNITIES NEEDED FOR SMALLER COMMUNITIES, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

New economic opportunities must be developed for America's smaller communities "too often neglected or by-passed in the concentration of business and industry in metropolitan areas," Senator Hubert H. Humphrey told a DFL luncheon rally today in Park Rapids, Minnesota.

Efforts of the Democratic Party to "open the way for new opportunity" in many areas during the recent session of Congress were blocked by President Eisenhower's veto of the so-called Depressed Areas bill.

"America's small towns have suffered greatly by the loss of purchasing power of farmers under the Benson-Eisenhower farm program," Senator Humphrey declared. Less money in the farmer's jeans means less money in the merchants' tills.

"Many small communities are seeking to obtain new industry as a means of replacing this lost farm income.

"Local resources--agricultural, mineral, and others, when combined with local initiative and adequate government cooperation, can and will make possible new industrial development for the future, offering opportunities for young people to stay in their home communities instead of being compelled to head for larger and already over-crowded urban centers to seek a decent livelihood," Senator Humphrey declared.

One means of encouraging new local industrial development, Senator Humphrey said, is through a newly passed bill which will make possible increased use of agricultural products for industrial purposes.

"This bill, which was pushed through by Democrats in both Houses without Administration support, will provide the means whereby pilot manufacturing plants can be established in dozens of communities where industry is needed and farm surpluses and other farm-produced raw materials like pulpwood exist."

Senator Humphrey also called for a vastly-stepped-up program of conserving the natural resources of America, and outlined the proposal he has submitted to Congress for establishing a Youth Conservation Corps to carry on such work while providing useful outdoor employment for young men now victims of the recession.

"There are many opportunities still available for growth and progress in America, but it will take bolder and more imaginative leadership to bring such opportunities into being," Senator Humphrey warned.

"Little hope is offered by political leadership dedicated to preserving the status quo of those who have already accumulated wealth -- and that is the main force behind the Republican Party, nationally and in Minnesota," Senator Humphrey declared.

"We need men like Eugene J. McCarthy in the United States Senate, and men like Orville Freeman in the Governor's chair to keep Minnesota progressing, and to keep America progressing."



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DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP RESULTED IN REAL PROGRESS IN 85th CONGRESS

Under Democratic leadership, the 85th Congress "built great legislative landmarks in the field of human welfare -- with new advances in health, education, social security, and civil rights", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey declared at a DFL luncheon in Faribault today.

"It was a remarkable accomplishment, in view of Republican obstructionism and Presidential foot-dragging on many issues," Senator Humphrey declared.

"Of course, much remains to be done; many serious challenges still face us for 1959, particularly new and better farm legislation.

"If the American people show at the ballot box in November that they want and need constructive, progressive legislation, we will return to Congress next January with the kind of liberal majorities we need to complete many of these urgently needed legislative programs," Senator Humphrey declared.

Reviewing accomplishments of the 85th Congress "despite the executive and legislative branches of our government being split between opposing political parties," Senator Humphrey declared:

"Meeting in the shadow of Sputnik and the worst recession since World War II, the 85th Congress gave America the kind of dynamic leadership denied it by the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration.

"It seized the initiative from the Administration by passing measures to meet the Soviet challenge, restore U.S. prestige in the world, and bolster the domestic economy.

"We met the challenge of the Space Age by setting up a new Space Agency, and enacting the National Defense Education Act. We met the challenge of world tensions by providing \$3.3 billion for Mutual Security, by extending the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act for four years, and by seeking greater implementation of 'Works of Peace' in the realm of food and health. We met the challenge of a weakened economy at home by enacting the Area Redevelopment Bill, by providing \$5.5 billion for highway construction, and \$1.8 billion for housing, and by extension of unemployment benefits.

"We opened new frontiers for the United States by admitting Alaska to statehood, and paving the way for similar action for Hawaii next year.

"We exemplified our belief in 'Government with a Heart' by increasing social security and public assistance benefits.

MAJOR HEALTH GAINS

"We made the greatest advances of many decades in the entire field of health, through increasing hospital construction funds by 59% instead of cutting them back as the President proposed, and authorized the largest expenditures in history for greatly expanded medical research into cancer, mental health, heart disease, and other medical problems and diseases of mankind. We called for sponsorship of an International Health Year, and for a worldwide study of international health research and assistance -- both proposals of my own, and a study I have been designated to head.

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"We provided the most effective assistance yet offered the nation's small businessmen -- both tax relief, and capital financing assistance.

"We enacted the Labor Welfare and Pension Plans Disclosure Act, and sought to enact the Labor Reform Bill to curb abuses of racketeers bringing discredit upon the legitimate labor movement in America. We in the Senate approved the labor reforms -- but were blocked in the House by an unholy alliance of Big Business and the crooks trying to infiltrate labor, aided and abetted by Republicans following management's beck and call despite all their talk about wanting to 'clean up' organized labor.

"Perhaps one of our most significant accomplishments was expanded federal aid to education, both in extension of the federal assistance programs for school construction in areas affected by U.S. activities -- a continuation of my original school construction legislation adopted in 1950 -- and in the new National Defense Education Act.

#### PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

"The Education Act is a real step forward in expanding opportunities for young people to further their education. The bill, of which I was an original sponsor, provides \$887,000,000 for low-cost student loans, guidance and counseling training, and aid to vocational education over a four-year period. Although I was disappointed at the dropping of needed scholarship programs -- as a result of the efforts of our own Republican Congressman from Minneapolis -- nevertheless the bill is a sound step forward and gives us basic legislation to build upon in the future.

"It is regrettable that we were defeated, through lack of Administration backing, in our efforts to include more school construction in the program. Yet perhaps it is often overlooked that over a billion and a half dollars in federal aid to education has already been provided since 1951 under legislation sponsored by myself and Senator Hill. Since the original school construction bill which I sponsored back in 1950, federal contributions amounting to \$854,850,000 have been made for school construction in areas affected by federal activities. Appropriations of the recent Congress will add another \$200 million for the same purpose. In addition, there have been payments to school districts for operation of these same schools amounting to \$619,170,000 under legislation sponsored by Senator Hill."

#### MUCH YET TO DO

"Of course, much remains to be done; many challenges still face us for 1959, particularly new and better farm legislation.

"Democrats would have passed many additional measures in the public interest at the last session but for the opposition of the Eisenhower-Nixon Administration, and the Republicans in Congress -- measures such as a more effective farm program, broader labor reforms, new atomic power reactors, vital community public works, and school construction," Senator Humphrey declared.

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MASS ASSAULT ON HUNGER AND DISEASE URGED FOR MIDDLE EAST

New Communist aggression has shifted the eyes of the world from the Middle to Far East, but acute problems of the Middle East area still remain unresolved "and will explode again sooner or later unless we do something about them," Senator Hubert H. Humphrey told a DFL dinner rally last night in Rochester.

"We must quit living by 'crisis', and letting our attention be diverted at will by the strategists of the Kremlin," Senator Humphrey warned.

"We must hew out our own constructive, positive course of action to strengthen the free world, and go about the business of building for peace on a long-term basis -- instead of closing our eyes and wishing away problems every time an immediate crisis lessens."

Americans can "speak up at the ballot box" in November to "show the entire world our desires for more constructive efforts toward peace," Senator Humphrey declared.

"We need new, liberal, aggressive leadership in our country, the kind of leadership our DFL Party offers in Minnesota and the Democratic Party offers nationally. We need a mandate for action -- and majorities to get action. We need men of vision, men of courage. We need men like Eugene McCarthy, and men like Eugene Foley."

Instead of armed intervention and reliance on force "as a last moment act of emergency desperation", Senator Humphrey said, "what the Middle East really needs is an all-out assault on hunger and disease."

"An old order is passing, and a new one is struggling to be born in the Middle East and in other under-developed areas of the world," he declared.

"The most important tools we possess in these times of violent change are not guns and bombs -- but medicine, food, and education."

"The mistakes of the past cannot be undone, but there may still be time to develop a new relationship with the peoples of the Middle East -- a relationship expressed in terms of food, education, jobs, and medicine."

Senator Humphrey, chairman of the Senate's Middle East Subcommittee, said that any new American policy in the Middle East must recognize that the area is a "hotbed of human disease and suffering".

"Diseased bodies and empty stomachs are not conducive to reasoned political decisions, and the sooner we begin to attack the fantastic problems of hunger and illness in the Middle East, the sooner we are going to see sound political development," he declared.

"Certainly one basic objective of a new Middle East policy must be a determined assault, preferably through international action, on hunger and disease of all kinds. If there is a communications breakdown between the peoples of the West and the people of the Middle East, then let us restore communications with the universal language of food and healing".

Citing the facts that one out of every five persons in Iraq is suffering from the blindness-inducing illness of trachoma, that nine out of ten people in some areas of the Middle East suffer from intestinal parasites, that malaria still affects more than three-quarters of a million Syrians, and that tuberculosis, venereal disease and dysentery are widespread, Senator Humphrey said that "the Middle East needs medicine far more than machine guns and food far more than foxholes!"

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"It is not only unChristian, but it is positively dangerous to remain smugly content that we are the best fed, best housed, and healthiest people in the world," Senator Humphrey said. "Until we recognize the brute facts of suffering among other peoples and put our tremendous resources of food and medicine to work for others, we are simply going to find ourselves even more isolated in a rising sea of hostility. All the military pacts and agreements in the world will not build a secure future for the United States. In fact, if we continue our policy of virtual reliance on paper agreements, and ignore the conditions and the hopes of the people of the have-not areas, we are heading for certain disaster!"



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DEEDS, NOT SLOGANS, REAL TEST OF PUBLIC PERFORMANCE: SENATOR HUMPHREY

If Republicans were willing to ask the American people to entrust them with the fate of the country two years ago on a campaign slogan of "Peace and Prosperity", they should be willing now "to be held accountable in this election as to whether we are moving closer to those goals, or drifting farther away," Senator Humphrey H. Humphrey declared last night in addressing a Second District DFL Dinner Rally at New Ulm.

Deeds, not slogans, are what really count in public performance, Senator Humphrey declared.

"They boasted of peace, yet failures of Republican leadership have cost us the loss of American influence and prestige everywhere in the world and brought us the daily danger of war in the Far East or the Middle East -- or both.

"They boasted of prosperity, yet neglect of our domestic economy and refusal to be concerned about the bread and butter problems of our people has brought America to the worst recession since World War II, with more than five million unemployed, a new record of small business failures, and a farm slump that has driven four million people off the farm.

"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.

"We need new, liberal, aggressive leadership in our country, the kind of leadership our DFL party offers in Minnesota and the Democratic Party of which we are a part offers nationally.

"We need a mandate for action -- and majorities to get action.

"We need more men like Eugene McCarthy in the United States Senate -- and we are going to get them: from Minnesota, from California, from Michigan, and from many other states this year.

"We Democrats can give the country the kind of dynamic leadership denied it by the Republican-Eisenhower-Nixon-Dulles-Benson Administration.

"Give us the majorities we need and we can give the country a better farm program, adequate school construction, broad labor reforms, more atomic power reactors, and vital community public works -- urgently needed legislative aims Republicans have so far been able to block.

"Give us the majority we need, and we can assert a greater influence toward works of peace, instead of brinkmanship.

"But to move into a more constructive role of peaceful leadership for a better world will require the voice of the American people making itself felt in the best way it has to make known its desires in a democracy -- at the ballot box."

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GOP INFLATION HAS COST AVERAGE TAXPAYER \$1, 292, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

Republican inflation over the last 5½ years "has cost the average American family \$1,292", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey declared at a DFL luncheon rally in Mankato today.

"The GOP record is one of giving the nation the most rapid peacetime inflation in the nation's history, despite promises of the Republican Eisenhower-Nixon team to end inflation in their 1952 campaign," Senator Humphrey declared.

"The truth is that consumer prices had stopped rising before the end of the Truman Administration, and wholesale prices had declined 5% during the Truman regime.

"The GOP price spiral began immediately after the Republican Eisenhower-Nixon-George Humphrey team took over. The GOP imposed the tight money policy to fight an inflation that wasn't there -- and the tight money policy became a major cause of both the 1953-54 and 1957-58 recessions. Yet GOP inflation has continued in the midst of both recessions, bringing us the highest consumer prices in history.

"While farmers continue in a depression, the housewife finds not only higher prices on every shelf of the super-market but that some items have been priced right out of her food budget.

"One of the most serious consequences of GOP inflation has been the increase in consumer debt as families attempt to maintain the standard of living they had in 1952. Consumer debt has increased 63.4% under the GOP, reflecting both higher prices and high interest rates.

"GOP mismanagement of both fiscal and monetary policies has resulted in inflated budgets that seemed to do little more than increase the national debt. Between the last Truman budget and fiscal year 1957, the cost of government rose about 11% because of GOP inflation. U.S. taxpayers, as a result, are getting less value for an increased number of tax dollars".

Senator Humphrey said it was time "for taxpayers and consumers generally to wake up to how they have been hoodwinked about this supposed 'businessman's administration', and return the government to control of Democrats concerned about average Mr. and Mrs. Citizen."



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