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FARMERS TIRED OF BENSON--AND OF GOP PARTY HE REPRESENTS, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

Minnesota farmers are not only "disgusted" with Secretary Benson, but are ~~also~~ "at long last tired of supporting Republican candidates who profess to be against Benson, yet support the party that keeps him as Secretary of Agriculture", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey declared last night in an address at a Seventh District DFL "Bean Feed" at Redwood Falls.

"Like other farmers throughout the midwest, Minnesota family farmers have completely lost faith in Secretary Benson--and in the Republican Party which he represents," Senator Humphrey declared.

"Secretary Benson has been the most costly Secretary of Agriculture in our history--costly to farmers, and costly to taxpayers. He has spent more money, with less results to show for it, than any other Secretary we have ever had. He has broken faith with farm people--and they are fully justified in repudiating him and the party that keeps him in power."

Secretary Benson "didn't just happen", Senator Humphrey reminded his audience.

"He is the Republican Secretary of Agriculture, appointed by a Republican President who was supported and elected by the Republican Party. He is the Republican's 'hired man', carrying out Republican policies.

"The only way farmers have of showing they do not want him is to vote against Republicans. Secretary Benson does not dare risk running for office himself, but he will claim as a personal victory the election of any Republican in the midwest farm belt.

"The way to help check Bensonizing of Agriculture is to vote against any Republicans."

Calling for election of Speaker A.I. Johnson of the Minnesota Legislature as the 7th District's new Congressman, Senator Humphrey said "any other vote will be a vote for Benson and Nixon."

Senator Humphrey said the incumbent Republican Congressman had apparently "adopted the Benson line of trying to blame all the farmer's troubles on labor."

"While professing to be a staunch supporter of the Farmers Union himself, he condemns Congressman John Blatnik of Duluth and Congressman Eugene McCarthy--our next United States Senator from Minnesota--as 'city labor Congressmen'. Yet the truth is that on the Farmers Union voting record of 31 key issues, the Republican incumbent in this district is listed as voting "wrong" 21 times--while both Blatnik and McCarthy had 100% voting records in support of the farmers."

Instead of talking about "labor bosses", Senator Humphrey suggested, the incumbent Congressman had better explain why he voted against effective labor reform legislation."

"And while he is at it, let him tell his constituents why he voted against Alaskan statehood, against civil rights, against reciprocal trade, against fighting Communism through foreign economic aid, against improved unemployment compensation to fight the recession, against the National Defense Education Act, against the Depressed Areas Bill and Community Facilities Bill designed to offset recession effects on small towns.

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"In fact, the incumbent Republican has a lot to account for -- a lot that he should be explaining, instead of trying to change the subject with political scarecrows about A.I. Johnson," Senator Humphrey said.

"Farmers are tired of Secretary Benson's double-talk -- and they are tired of the double talk of Republicans who claim to be anti-Benson, yet proudly proclaim themselves as members of the party that has made Benson Secretary of Agriculture and is keeping him there," he declared.

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Seventh District DFL Bean Feed
Redwood Falls, Minn.
Oct. 29, 1958

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A-I Johnson
Redwood County
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Read the Record

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I Vote for A.D Johnson
Eugene McCarthy

Yes The way to repudiate Benson is to elect
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Legislature, as the 7th District's new

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*Labor for
98% of
Parity!
Soil
Conserv-
Refr
Rise and
Farm Credit!*

*Andersons speech
of Oct 9,
Kennedy's
Bill*

Carpetbagger

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Republicans in N.J. average 19 wrong

31 votes -

Thompson N.J. OK on 28

Rodino

OK on 27

Adonizio

OK on 27

Symonake

OK on 30

Hellay

OK on 23

N.J.

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✓ Freeman
✓ Kellogg
✓ Miles Dord
✓ George Farrow
✓ Art Hansen
✓ Joe Donovan
✓ Ron Anderson

✓ Gene
✓ McCarthy
✓ Al Johnson



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