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Excerpts from the speech of Senator Hubert H. Humphrey Ogden, Utah, January 11 Democratic Party Luncheon

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"All Washington was stirred by the news that your state will make another great contribution to the national defense program when Northern Utah becomes the center for the production and servicing of the Minuteman missile. This is a great boost for Utah's economy, and it means more families, more homes, more industry -- which in turn will need more schools, more good highways, more airports. It means greater pressure on your water, your land, your forests.

"The Republican policy of no new starts (except maybe in election years) simply won't do the job the West needs done. You can't build America with a "no-go, go-slow, not now, veto" Administration.

"In his State of the Union message to Congress, President Eisenhower again gave lip service to our need for more schools and more well-trained teachers. 'We cannot be complacent about educating our youth', he said. But in the fact of all the reports of the committees he has appointed, the best he can offer is guaranteeing school bonds for local districts. And many of them are already up to their bonding limits.

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"You have shown how educational opportunity and the tax burden can be equalized without sacrificing -- or even interfering with -- local control. We will have gone a long way toward providing the program the nation needs and our children need when we do for America what you have done for Utah. 'Administration restrictions on the interstate highway program are slowing down construction of that system which will mean so much to the commerce and the tourist business of Utah and the West. Last session Democrats in Congress made try after try to earmark existing taxes -- funds that are collected from highway users already -- so that construction planned by the States could go ahead without delay. The system already is to cost millions more than first estimates. Every year we delay construction will add to the cost.

"We need immediate passage of the Resource and Conservation Act that Senator Frank E. Moss is so strongly supporting. This would set up a council at the White House and a committee of both Houses of Congress to study and report on the entire question of natural resource conservation. This will be a great step forward in the orderly development and proper husbanding of our resources.

'We cannot enjoy economic prosperity, support our defense effort, or extend aid to our friends in the world unless we have the metals, the lumber, the water, the oil and the coal to do the job.

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