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"At the same time the President is expanding the frontiers of freedom here in America", the Vice President said, "he is defending freedom in Vietnam and he has pledged American support to the flag of freedom wherever it flies."

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Dinner chairman + Clarence Miles / Francis Gallagher  
Laurence Cardinal Sheil ~~Cardinal Sheil~~

Gov Tawes  
Sen Brewster  
Sen Tydings

"SALUTE TO HUBERT HUMPHREY"

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

March 29, 1965

Mayor McKeldin

Tommy D'Alesandro  
(Pres. City Council)

(Ecumenical) Rev. [unclear]

Rev. [unclear]

My fellow Democrats ... it's a pleasure to

be saluted, particularly by one's friends and

neighbors. You know, Mrs. Humphrey and I have

lived in Maryland ourselves now for many years --

although I've never made a point of reminding my

friends in Minnesota of that fact. And we intend

to remain in Maryland ... unless the President brings

up the business again of a Vice Presidential mansion.

We live in Maryland and we like it.

And we like the Democrats you've put in the  
state house and in the United States Congress.

Millard Tawes ... Dan Brewster ... Joe Tydings ...

Gov Tawes  
Dan Brewster  
Joe Tydings

We like  
Maryland  
Lived here  
16 1/2 yrs

We like  
your  
Democrats

*can't be here tonight - Having dinner w/ the President*  
*Ed Gormatz*  
George Fallon ... Ed Gormatz ... Sam Friedel ...

Carlton Sickles ... Clarence Long ... Hervey Machen --

these are the men who are serving Maryland ~~well~~.

These are the men you've given your votes and who  
deserve your continuing support.

As President of the Senate, I'm particularly  
proud of two good friends and colleagues here tonight.

We all owe special thanks to Dan Brewster for his  
support of President Johnson in the Maryland

Presidential primary last year. You fought the good  
fight, Dan, when it would have been very easy to sit  
that one out. And we thank all those good Maryland

Democrats who did their part in lending their support  
in that difficult time.

I'm also especially proud of my new colleague  
Joe Tydings. Joe, you won your Senate seat by more

*Brewster + Maryland Primary.*

*Tydings*

than a quarter of a million votes. I remember ~~I know~~ another

Senator Tydings who would have been proud of you.

-a great Senator  
Richard  
Tydings

You know, being 100th in seniority in the

100th  
in Seniority  
Back  
Row

United States Senate gives Joe Tydings some privileges  
that not all Senators enjoy. For instance, it allows

Joe to sit in the rumble seat at the rear of the

Senator - front seat

Senate floor. And it gives him special consideration

when it comes to Senate office space: I understand

you moved again just today, Joe to your spacious new

two-room suite. I hope that sometime soon, though

you'll be able to get those two rooms in the same building.

Joe's  
Office  
Space!

There are lots of good Democrats here tonight.

And all of us are interested in two things: electing more

Democrats ... and building the Great Society. The two

go together.

Build the  
Great  
Society

Tonight, here in Maryland, I want to talk

seriously for a few minutes about the Great Society.

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I want to talk to you about the Great Society  
Exciting - challenging - Demanding!

This is the right time and place to do so. ! - Today in N.Y.!

L You here tonight certainly know the pressing  
needs of our cities and of the need for better mass  
transit. You know how important it is to maintain  
our heritage of natural beauty here along the  
Chesapeake Bay. You know the problems of the  
elderly citizen who needs medical care. You understand  
the most important problem: Seeing that your children  
get the best education possible -- we did something  
about that in the House of Representatives last week  
when we passed the Elementary and Secondary Education  
Act. The people of this state know how unemployment  
and unequal opportunity can be a drag on the economy  
and on the human spirit as well.

Cities  
Mass  
Transit

L Governor Tawes, Senator Brewster, Senator  
Tydings, and the other good Democrats in this state  
have imaginatively and responsibly done things

overcome  
to ~~keep pace with~~ these problems. But, we

must not slow down. We must go forward. And

this Congress, with your support, is doing just that.

We are moving forward to eliminate our foes  
of today -- slums, crime, a lack of playgrounds

and parks, overburdened schools, inadequate medical & hospital  
transportation, the crowding in cities, the lack of clean air and water

President Johnson proposed three weeks ago  
a program of progress for our cities. It would  
give financial assistance to cities which need it.

It would aid public housing. It would combat crime.

This is a program deserving of your support.

You here in Maryland are painfully aware of  
the need for modern mass transportation. President  
Johnson has committed this Administration to  
technical research and development of high speed,

inter-city surface transport. He has suggested  
that we begin by demonstrating possible improvements  
in our passenger service between Washington and  
Boston. This program too deserves your support.

*Natural  
Beauty*

There is no more beautiful sight than the  
Chesapeake Bay and the Maryland countryside. But  
this can be paradise lost. Clean water and air can  
be and are polluted. Automobile junk yards and  
bill boards can crowd in on our highways. Our cities  
can lose their precious open space. Our landmarks  
can be destroyed. This Administration has a program  
to preserve our natural beauty. It is also deserving  
of your support.

Our citizens are living longer. But are they  
living more happily? What family doesn't know the  
heart-ache -- the long, empty days that come to

*Elaborate*



a man or woman who is aging, who is lonely,  
who is neglected? *L* Prolonging life is not enough.

We must prolong opportunity and usefulness; we  
must provide dignity.

*- Housing for elderly  
centers for elderly*  
*L* The Johnson Administration in 1964 gave  
unprecedented help to our senior Americans, both  
through legislative and executive action. But we  
failed to pass the King-Anderson Bill to provide  
necessary hospital care for the elderly. This  
Administration is determined that the Medicare  
Bill will become law within a few weeks from now.

*#*  
There is education. The story of education  
is the story of this country. No people in the world  
believe in broad excellence in education as we do.

Education is our only guarantee of security in the  
world, and of progress at home.

*my congrats to the Baltimore Citizens School Advisory  
Committee - for improved educ in Baltimore  
with 400 meetings - over 300 recommendations*

*Medicare  
Social  
Security*

*Educ*

yes < Our schools are crowded. < We need more  
and better teachers. President Johnson has proposed  
ambitious measures which can strengthen and maintain  
American education at all levels. This program  
certainly deserves your support.

< Can we have a Great Society as long as millions  
of our people live in abject poverty for lack of  
training? ... as long as jobs are denied for no good  
reason, but because of the color of a man's skin? ...  
as long as doors are closed to immigrants because of  
where they happened to be born? ... as long as some  
of our citizens are denied the right to vote?

< The Johnson Administration has made proposals  
in 1965 which will move toward righting these wrongs.

These proposals, too, deserve your support. X

④ yes President Johnson will be remembered in our  
history as the Freedom President - The opportunity  
President - The Central Commitment of the  
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*and at the same time defending freedom*  
*wherever the flag of freedom flies!*

President and his Administration is to expand  
the frontiers of freedom and opportunity here at  
home and abroad — (O the Power)

These are some of the things here at home

which will be accomplished only if you join in  
the battle, if you share in the vision of a Great  
Society.

Join  
the  
battle!

I would be negligent here tonight if I did  
not also ask for your support for something else:  
for the belief that the world need not destroy itself  
by war, and that we Americans can help others, too,  
find a better society.

↳ We hear many voices these days saying that  
America is overextended in the world ... that other  
people's problems needn't be our problems ... that  
we ought to close up shop overseas and enjoy our  
fruits here in the Good Old U.S.A.

↳ My friends, when that time comes, this nation  
is doomed. ↳ Who in the world will work for democracy  
if we do not? ↳ Who in the world can preserve the peace

if we do not? Who in the world can set the  
example, can offer the needed hand, if we do not?

We live in a time when everything is complex,  
when there are no more rapid or easy answers.

We live in a time when we must exert our patience as  
never before. But Have we the patience, for instance,

to work and bleed five thousand miles from home for  
months and years ahead -- without any guarantee of  
final success? I can tell you that the forces of  
totalitarianism have that patience.

This is what the Great Society is all about.

It is the recognition that a second car and power  
mowers and dry martinis are not enough. It is the

recognition that we stand for something not seen

before in the world. We stand for the dignity and

fulfillment of individual man and woman. We stand

for the chance for each man to make something better

of himself. *for* We stand for free speech, ~~and~~ *for Human dignity,*

*for* government of the people. *!* We stand for peace

without conquest. We stand for the belief that

others, too, in less fortunate places should have

opportunity for the blessings of abundance and

should be free of tyranny. We stand for the

pledges made by men and women who left the old ways

and fought a living out of the soil of a new continent.

*for* President Johnson has made his commitment to

all of us. I join him in that commitment. *and* We

ask your help.

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