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h President Johnson has said on various occasions,
"I am a free man, an American, a public servant, and a
Democrat -- in that order." I agree with our President==
and I keep waiting for somebody to ask my why I chose to
be a Democrat. If they ever do, I am going to tell
them this.

I am a Democrat because we have a two-party system
in this country, and I know the difference between the
two parties. The people really do have a choice, and
it is an easy choice to make. All you have to do is
listen for the word "No!" Most of the time when you hear
words like "No" or "Stop" or "Slow-down" or "Go back,"
you will be listening to a Republican. *Spokesman*

The Democratic Party knows what it stands for. We believe in finding answers -- affirmative answers. We believe in facing up to the problems and facing up to the issues.

Although I have been studying the problem very carefully for more than 25 years, I still cannot tell you what the Republicans stand for. I am not even sure what they think they stand for. When you are dealing with Republicans, it is always easier to find out what they're against than to discover what they're for.

But I have read everything that the Republican leaders in Congress have said in the past year. If there has been one constructive suggestion coming from any of them, I don't know where it is. They complain. They protest. They tell us what we are doing wrong. But when you ask them

what they would like us to do instead, the only answer they've got is "Just stop whatever it is you're doing now and maybe the problems will go away." ~~Stephenson~~

L Well, the problems won't go away, And most of them won't take "No" for an answer.

~~Can there be anything more important to a civilized, ^{rich} nation than the care and respect it shows for its senior citizens when their working days are past?~~

L Thirty years ago, the Democratic Administration was trying to give this country Social Security. And the Republicans were trying in every way they knew how, to keep the Social Security bill from even coming to a vote in the ~~House~~ ^{Senate}. And when it did come to a vote, ~~in spite of them,~~ they voted 4 to 1 against it.

Band L Very little has changed. This year, we passed the Medicare bill to bring the benefits of modern medicine to 20 million senior citizens.

again

And in the House, 93 per cent of the Republicans
~~tried to kill Medicare by sending it back to committee --~~
~~just as they tried to kill Social Security 30 years ago.~~

Two years ago, I promised that, if you would help
us strengthen our Democratic Congress, we would do more

for education, more for health, more for employment, *more for*
agriculture, more for our elderly, more for our poor.

Well, we kept that ~~commitment~~ *promise.*

When the history books are written, the Eighty-
ninth Congress will fill a major chapter. *59th*

THIS WAS THE EDUCATION CONGRESS. It *provided more*
money for schools and teachers and textbooks, for
colleges and ^{*student*} scholarships, than all the other Congresses
since this nation began. *! What investment.*

THIS WAS THE HEALTH CONGRESS. It voted ~~\$12.2 billion~~
to provide Medicare for our senior citizens; heart, cancer,

*aid to medical schools,
nursing etc.*

research
and stroke ~~clinics~~ to fight the killer diseases,

health centers for mothers and children, health care

for those who are in need, *mental health + Retardation*

THIS WAS THE CONSERVATION CONGRESS. ~~It followed~~

~~the leadership of Senator Douglas and voted to make~~

~~the Indiana Dunes a place where the people of Chicago~~

~~can find rest and recreation.~~ It passed 20 major

~~conservation measures.~~ This year, more land will be

preserved for our nation's parks and playgrounds than

will be plowed up by the bulldozer.

THIS WAS THE CONSUMERS CONGRESS. It put on

the law books strong measures to safeguard the housewife

when she goes to the supermarket, to protect the child

against dangerous toys, to protect the motorist - to assure

*motor car safety - to assure truth
in Packaging.*

yes above all

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THIS WAS THE FARMERS CONGRESS. It passed the best farm program we have ever had. It passed a new and expanded Food for Freedom Program, Farm income is up -- surpluses are down -- rural America is a better place to live.

THIS WAS THE CITIES CONGRESS. It voted to create a Cabinet Officer to serve your interests. It passed the Model Cities Bill to help you build a better place to live. It voted for rent supplements to bring you better housing and rapid urban transit to speed the time it takes you to get to work.

The work of the Eighty-ninth Congress need not be measured in laws alone. Already it has meant more jobs -- ten million more workers on the employment rolls than in the last Republican year. - *Unemployment*

Down - Income up

More income -- over 20 per cent more earnings
for the family after taxes and after price increases
since the Republicans left office.

1956-61
1961-66

yes More prosperity -- \$243 billion more in our gross
national product this year than in the last Republican
year.

This is what John F. Kennedy was talking about
six years ago when he called on all of us to "get
America moving again."

now, all of these

it did not happen because we wished for it --

but because we worked for it.

Every major advance was a hard-fought battle.

On almost every major measure Republicans in Congress

sought to delay, to diminish, and when that failed,

they sought to re-commit -- to kill the bill by

sending it back to committee.

Recommit

Every time a Republican Congressman tells you

he voted for the final passage of one of these great

measures, ask him how he voted on re-committal.

That was the killer vote.

These were the re-committal men. They can not escape their record.

and

But I did not come here to rest on the record

of the past Congress. These great programs ^{which} we have

launched will mean little for America if they are not

renewed. They can raise only false hopes if they are not renewed next year and the year after that.

continued

Every fight

and
L The Republicans know this. They know that
they cannot win a majority this year. But they are
hoping to get enough seats to block the progress
we have made. *to slow it down!*

and L The Republican Senator from Pennsylvania has
been candid about it. He claimed that if the GOP gets
in Congress
50 seats this year, it will be "enough to put the
brakes on all the President's social legislation."

L I do not believe Americans want to backslide
or backlash against all the progress we have made.

L I believe that the choice you face this fall
is a clear-cut one:

- the party of progress or the party of
re-committal;
- The party that moves ahead or the party
that procrastinates;
- the party of hope or the party of fear.

L When you make your choice, judge America
by the life you seek not only for yourselves but
for your children and your children's children.

L Judge the problems that face America --
and judge which party is prepared to meet those
problems.

L Our nation has big problems ahead -- not the
petty, partisan problems the Republicans worry about.

L In the 34 years left of this century, we must
make a new America -- build as many cities, as many
schools and hospitals and parks and playgrounds as
in all the years since the Pilgrims landed.

L Within the next decade we must double the
capacity of our colleges.

L We must modernize our city hospitals and extend
a nationwide network of clean and comfortable nursing
homes for our elderly.

↳ We must build an urban transportation system
so that the worker gets to his job in less time than
it takes to fly to California.

↳ We must find ways to dispose of the mountains
of poisonous waste that each day pollutes the air
we breathe and the water we drink. *This is big work!*

↳ But your Federal Government needs Governors
and legislatures as working partners in building a
better America.

↳ Minnesota needs Governor Karl Rolvaag. He
believes in and supports our progressive Democratic *programs.*
platform. ↳ He understands that strong state government
must play the key role in making programs for the
people work. *for the Peoples benefit.*

Minnesota needs Governor Rolvaag to continue his successful efforts in improving our system of education -- from elementary education through the expanded and strengthened junior college system to our University and state colleges.

Karl Rolvaag is the Educ. Governor.

Minnesota needs Karl Rolvaag's nationally recognized leadership in the field of mental retardation. We need

Governor Rolvaag because he will expand facilities and care for the mentally ill.

Karl Rolvaag is the Health Governor

Minnesota needs Governor Karl Rolvaag for his stewardship of our natural resources.

Karl Rolvaag is He is, indeed,

Minnesota's "Conservation Governor."

Minnesota needs Governor Rolvaag and a Democratic Farmer-Labor state administration and state legislature

to add that distinctive Minnesota progressive, constructive touch to every program and policy that your Federal

Government has made available in partnership to the people of this state.

And Minnesota needs the continued effective, responsible service and leadership of Senator Walter Mondale who helped develop and build the great record of the 89th Congress. You know his ^{fine} ~~great~~ record in our state. Today in Washington, he is called "one of the bright young men on the way up on Capitol Hill."

A major New York paper has described him as

"A naturally gifted leader ... destined to rise in the Senate." Minnesota ^{can be and is proud} ~~and our nation need~~ Walter Mondale

~~in the Senate.~~ Senator Mondale.

and And we need Keith Davison, our Democratic Farmer Labor candidate in the Seventh District, to help strengthen our top-notch team in Congress. He will help

Congressman Alec Olson represent the true interests
of rural Minnesota and America. He will help Congressman
John Blatnik, Congressman Joseph Karth, and
Congressman Don Fraser build an even higher level of
achievement on the Foundation of the Great Society
made by the 89th Congress.

Let us go from this place carrying a unified,
liberal message -- that good government needs men of
ability, integrity, compassion and understanding --
and that these men will give you that kind of good
government.



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