

NOTES  
VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY  
CHISHOLM HONOR BANQUET  
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One of the finest Iron Range traditions is the  
concern for excellence in education.

Challenge  
in  
Educ

Those brave pioneers who left a harsh existence  
and uncertain future in their distant native lands knew  
instinctively that the better life they sought in America  
could best be won through a strong, creative educational  
system.

They -- many of whom could hardly read and write --  
gave us democracy's most priceless treasure when they built  
the finest schools anywhere in the country and endowed  
them with gifted teachers!

Jefferson  
"you cannot  
be both  
ignorant  
and  
free"

Schools  
+  
Teachers

It is to the everlasting credit of our fellow  
Minnesotans and present day Iron Rangers that they  
have built so imaginately upon the foundations laid so  
well by our immigrant forebearers many years ago.

*Fullness*  
We are gathered here tonight in that same tradition  
of excellence in education. And I commend and congratulate  
you on sponsoring this annual banquet to pay tribute to those  
students who have achieved highest honors.

*John Blatnik*  
And, while I am talking about honors, I think  
John Blatnik deserves special mention.

There aren't many Congressmen who are men of  
action and scholars as well.

There aren't many who can point to a record of  
achievement where the word "honors" appears so regularly.

But, John Blatnik is an honor graduate of your own  
Chisholm High School. Honor

He is an honor graduate of Winona State Teachers College. - Now Winona State College

He won honors as an Eagle Scout, as a graduate student at the University of Chicago where he studied under my dear friend, Paul Douglas and believe me, he

wins new honors each year in the Congress where John Blatnik has won everybody's recognition as a champion legislator.

If I were looking for an example of what the Range educational system can produce, I couldn't find a finer

example than John Blatnik; and John, maybe you would let

me include Lud Andolsek along with you, In fact, these two

outstanding Chisholm graduates are what the modern

educators call "over-achievers."

Chisholm has, on a percentage basis, probably produced more than its share of leaders in the professions,

the sciences, and in the humanities -- a real living tribute to its excellent educational system. as Veda has said

John  
+  
Lud

But I think it is simply incredible that <sup>two</sup> ~~two~~ men such  
as John <sup>and</sup> ~~and~~ Lud <sup>nick</sup> by dint of hard work, by brilliance of mind,  
and integrity of character, have risen to such heights of honor  
and recognition in the United States Congress -- where John  
Blatnik has won national acclaim -- and in the Executive  
Branch -- where Lud Anddsek is Vice Chairman and

Commissioner of the United States Civil Service Commission.

~~and Nick Kogan - over is the Director of U.S. Civil Service Comm.~~  
They have achieved what our forefathers envisioned

when they come to this land. They have made the most of  
their opportunities and set both an example and a standard  
of excellence which I hope will continue to be the standard  
for future generations of young people.

~~It is well known~~  
Civilization <sup>is</sup> the race  
between educ + disaster.

I have a favorite passage I use to sum all this up.

It was written by the American author Thomas Wolfe at the  
depth of the Great Depression:

Wonders of Science, Technology, Art,  
Human Relations -

Young People today -  
Volunteer Generation

#Volunteers, Service  
Social Concern -

Educ  
is the  
Wealth  
St. El. 7  
the Nation

Educ  
+ People  
upgrading  
Need

Thomas Wolfe<sup>5-1</sup>

"To every man his chance, to every man, regardless  
of his birth, his shining golden opportunity. [To every man  
the right to live, to work, to be himself, and to become  
whatever things his manhood and his vision can combine  
to make him. This ... is the promise of America." —

~~This is the promise we can, and shall, make real.~~

and this is Chesholm — The Range!

H. G. Wells - Civilization is a race between  
Education and Catastrophe

Educ. is the wealth of the Nation - <sup>upgrading</sup>  
~~People!!~~

Wonders of Science, Technology, Art, Human  
Relations

④ Opportunity - Unlimited! Things

Business, Professions, Teaching, Administration -  
Med. cat. Techn., Engineering, Spac., AEC  
Ec. Service, Business, Labors, Agriculture  
Military - Govt - Clergy -



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