

NOTES

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY

ALAMEDA NAVAL AIR STATION

ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA

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WHENEVER I VISIT A NAVAL INSTALLATION
~~SUCH AS THIS ONE~~, I'M REMINDED OF WHAT THE ARMY
CHIEF OF STAFF ONCE TOLD PRESIDENT FRANKLIN
ROOSEVELT.

HE SAID: "MR. PRESIDENT, I DON'T MIND THE
FACT THAT YOU ARE AN OLD NAVY MAN. I KNOW YOU ARE
FAIR-MINDED AND OBJECTIVE. BUT THERE IS JUST ONE
THING WHICH WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE MORALE OF THE
ARMY."

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT SAID: "AND WHAT IS
THAT, GENERAL?"

HE SAID: "MR. PRESIDENT, IN OUR MEETINGS
WITH YOU, AND IN YOUR SPEECHES, COULD YOU JUST STOP
REFERRING TO THE ARMY AS 'THEM' AND TO THE NAVY
AS 'US'?"

I KNOW THE GOOD JOB YOU'RE DOING HERE. BUT
I WANT TO SAY A SPECIAL WORD TODAY ABOUT WHAT YOU
ARE DOING HERE TO HELP YOUNG AMERICANS LIFT
THEMSELVES UP FOR THE FUTURE.

You have had
~~YOU MAY NOT KNOW IT, BUT I BELIEVE YOU HAVE~~
THIS SUMMER, THE LARGEST TRAINING PROGRAM FOR
DISADVANTAGED YOUNG PEOPLE OF ANY FEDERAL
INSTALLATION IN THE COUNTRY.

I UNDERSTAND YOU HAD SOME 310 DISADVANTAGED

YOUNG PEOPLE -- AND ANOTHER 98 NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTH

CORPS TRAINEES -- AT WORK HERE DURING THE SUMMER.

I ALSO BELIEVE ANOTHER 175 YOUNG PEOPLE ARE WORKING

PART-TIME NOW SO THEY CAN CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATIONS.

*Good
Read*

THIS IS THE KIND OF WORK, MY FELLOW AMERICANS,
THAT IS GOING TO HELP US BUILD THE STRONGER AND THE
BETTER AMERICA THAT EVERY ONE OF US WANTS.

IT WAS A HARD SUMMER FOR AMERICA. IT WAS
A SUMMER OF TROUBLE AND, IN MANY PLACES, DISCOURAGEMENT.

IT WAS A SUMMER, IN FACT, WHEN A FEW AMERICANS EVEN
BEGAN TO LOSE FAITH IN THEMSELVES AND IN THEIR COUNTRY.

~~LO~~ AMERICA DOESN'T STAND AS A BEACON OF
FREEDOM IN THIS WORLD BECAUSE ITS PEOPLE WERE
EASILY DISCOURAGED OR BECAUSE THEY LOST FAITH --
FAITH IN THEIR COUNTRY, IN THEMSELVES, IN THEIR
FELLOW AMERICANS -- WHEN THE GOING GOT TOUGH.

L I, FOR ONE, THINK WE'RE GOING TO COME THROUGH
OUR TROUBLES ALL THE STRONGER AND ALL THE BETTER --
IF WE KEEP OUR FAITH *and confidence.*

I THINK WE CAN SEE IT THROUGH HERE IN AMERICA
TO THE FREE AND PRODUCTIVE SOCIETY EVERY ONE OF US
WANTS -- A SOCIETY WHERE EVERY SINGLE AMERICAN STANDS
FREE AND EQUAL, IN PEACE AND IN GOOD WILL, WITH EVERY
OTHER AMERICAN...WHERE PEOPLE HAVE JOBS AND THE BEST
OF HEALTH AND EDUCATION FOR THEIR CHILDREN.

and I THINK WE CAN SEE IT THROUGH IN THE WORLD
AROUND US TOO. *oh* ~~I THINK~~ AMERICA STILL HAS THE VISION
AND THE COURAGE TO STAND FAST AGAINST AGGRESSION AND
TYRANNY IN THIS WORLD -- EVEN WHEN THERE IS A
TEMPTATION TO TURN INWARD FOR AWHILE.

I THINK WE CAN DO IT. AND ONE OF THE REASONS
IS THE WAY AMERICANS ARE GIVING HELP TO EACH
OTHER -- AS YOU HELPED THESE YOUNG PEOPLE THIS SUMMER,
AND ARE STILL HELPING THEM NOW.

↳ I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE YOU ANY SPEECH TODAY.
I JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS FOR YOUR GOOD WORK.
KEEP IT UP. WE NEED YOU.

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