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GOP SEEKING RENEWAL OF "PERMANENT PATENT ON RECESSION," HUMPHREY SAYS

Evansville, Indiana, October 14 -- Vice President Humphrey today tagged the Republican Party as having "a permanent patent on recession" and accused Richard Nixon's top economic advisors of renewing it.

The Vice President quoted Nixon's policy makers as stating "What the American economy needs is a little more unemployment."

Speaking to the Vandenburg County annual Democratic dinner here, the Vice President said that Evansville, now "one of the great American success stories of the 1960's," was "a sick town--and the whole Ohio Valley was sick--as you well know. Three recessions in those eight long, dreary Nixon-Republican years hit Evansville right in the breadbasket. Factories were shut down. Thousands and thousands of you were out of work. The same was true in Henderson and Owensboro and Bowling Green and Louisville."

Then, the Vice President said, President Kennedy and the Democrats turned Nixon and "his horse-and-buggy economic theories out of Washington. We got this country moving again."

"Can you imagine a Democrat throwing people out of work?" the Vice President asked.

A "little more unemployment," Mr. Humphrey said, means "no more overtime, people out of work, less production, and pretty soon you're in a downward spiral toward another Republican recession. They did it three times in the 1950's. And if we give them a chance they're sure to do it again."

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The Vice President said that "I'm going to be a peace President first and foremost. But I tell you today that I am going to be a prosperity President, too--and no other candidate can make that claim."

As for George Wallace, the Vice President said he had been told that some people in Evansville would vote for him, even union people. Working people in Alabama make the third lowest wages of any state and when they tried to unionize to do something about those wages, Governor Wallace called out the State troopers to take care of the organizers, he said.

"The housewives in Alabama take those shrunken Wallace paychecks down to the store and they pay six cents on the dollar in state sales taxes, and that's the biggest in the country," the Vice President said.

The Vice President castigated Nixon as a man "afraid" and said "I don't blame him."

"I'd be afraid to put a computerized, mechanized, slicked-up Madison Avenue kewpie doll that says what he is programmed to say when his powerful clients push the button....up against a flesh-and-blood human candidate who is willing to stand for something," the Vice President said.

The text of his speech is attached.

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REMARKS

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY
VANDERBURGH COUNTY ANNUAL DEMOCRATIC DINNER
EVANSVILLE, INDIANA
OCTOBER 14, 1968

What a pleasure to be here right in the middle of one of the great American success stories of the 1960's -- Evansville, Indiana.

Evansville was a sick town -- and the whole Ohio Valley was sick -- as you well know.

Three recessions in those eight long, dreary Nixon-Republican years hit Evansville right in the breadbasket.

Factories were shut down ... thousands and thousands of you were out of work. The same was true in Henderson and Owensboro and Bowling Green and Louisville.

Then Jack Kennedy and the Democrats turned Mr. Nixon and his horse-and-buggy economic theories out of Washington. We got this country moving again.

Your two great Democratic Senators ... Vance Hartke and Birch Bayh ... your fine Democratic Governor ... Roger Branigan ... and your strong local Democratic government ... headed by Mayor Frank McDonald ... have pulled together to bring industry and full employment back to Evansville.

And that same success story has been repeated all across America in the last eight years.

The average family of four in this country in 1968 can live and eat just as well as they did in 1960 ... and still have almost \$3,000 left over.

That's enough to send a child to college for a year ... or to buy a new car ... or to make a real start toward owning your own home ... without borrowing or dipping into savings.

And that's what being a Democrat is all about.

You might think the Republicans would have learned. But they haven't.

They've got a permanent patent on recession, and Mr. Nixon's top economic adviser renewed it just the other day.

What the American economy needs, he said, is a little more unemployment.

You know what that means: no more overtime ... people out of work ... less production ... and pretty soon you're in a downward spiral toward another Republican recession.

They did it three times in the 1950's. And if we give them a chance they're sure to do it again.

We won't.

Can you imagine a Democrat throwing people out of work?

Jobs mean income.

Jobs mean dignity.

Jobs mean hope.

And I say every American has a right to a job -- even Mr. Nixon ... but not in the White House.

I'm going to be a peace President first and foremost. But I tell you today that I am going to be a prosperity President, too -- and no other candidate

can make that claim.

Now, what about Mr. Wallace?

They tell me that some of you people here in Evansville have thought about voting for him -- even if it's a vote for Mr. Nixon and Republican recessions.

They even say that some of his support comes from the working people and union members.

Let me tell you a little bit about the life of the working people in Alabama.

They make the third lowest wages of any state in the country.

And when they tried to unionize to do something about those wages ... former Governor Wallace used to call out the state troopers to take care of the organizers.

The housewives in Alabama take those shrunken Wallace paychecks down to the store ... and they pay six cents on the dollar in state sales tax ... and that's the highest in the country.

No thanks, Mr. Wallace. America can do better.

Mr. Wallace doesn't talk much about his economic record ... he spends his time scaring people about law and order.

He certainly gave us an inspiring example of respect for the law when he was governor of Alabama.

Mr. Wallace decided which courts suited him ... and he disobeyed the rest.

He decided which judges he liked ... and he vilified the rest.

He decided which laws he preferred ... and he violated the ones he didn't like.

And what happened? Alabama under George Wallace had the highest murder rate in the country.

And what does Mr. Wallace propose to do about crime in this country?

He says he will run over people with his car.

That's not good enough for America, and you know it.

And neither is a candidate who hasn't the courage to come before the American people and debate his views -- openly and honestly.

What is Mr. Nixon afraid of?

Why won't he come out of the shadows?

He is so afraid that he ordered his Republican friends in the Congress to put on the most shameful and cynical display of evasion and obstruction in a political generation: using the free debate privilege of the Senate to deny the people of Indiana and Kentucky and all Americans a chance to hear debate by the candidates.

I'll tell you what Mr. Nixon and his Republican friends are afraid of. They're afraid that the American people will find out where Mr. Nixon stands.

Mr. Nixon is afraid that I'll ask him if he and his Party still think Medicare is a harmful Socialist scheme.

He is afraid I'll ask him if he and his Party still think Federal aid to education is no good.

He is afraid I'll ask the real Richard Nixon to stand up ... is he the one who says he is for the treaty to keep Nasser's and Castro's fingers off the nuclear trigger ... or the one who says he is against ratifying that treaty? ... Is he the one who favours integration in the North ... or the one who is against it when he tours with Strom Thurmond in the South?

He's the one, all right.

He's afraid.

And I don't blame him.

I'd be afraid to put a computerized, mechanized, slicked-up Madison Avenue kewpie doll ... that says what he is programmed to say when his powerful clients push the button ... up against a flesh and blood human candidate ... who is willing to stand for something.

Well, I am going to smoke Mr. Nixon out.

And I'm going to do it with the help of the American people who want to know what they're voting for.

My friends, it takes a man with courage to be President of the United States ... courage to face up to the grim issues of war and peace -- of crime and poverty and blighted opportunity here at home.

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It takes a man with enough courage to level with the American people.

I have spoken out clearly in this campaign ... on how I would stop the war in Vietnam ... on the economy ... on education ... on crime last Saturday night ... on the other business before you.

I have offered answers ... real answers.

I have not said it would be easy.

I have not said we could solve our problems overnight.

But I have made my case before you honestly and openly.

I trust the American people ... and they know they can trust me.

I believe this nation... and its people ... are the greatest in the world.

I believe our democracy is the strongest system of government ever devised by the hand of man.

I believe we have a brilliant future as one people.

"Who shall speak for the people?" Carl Sandburg asked.

And I answer: I shall.

I ask your help.

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REMARKS OF VICE-PRESIDENT HUMPHREY AT THE
VANDERBURCH COUNTY ANNUAL DEMOCRATIC DINNER
ROBERT'S AUDITORIUM, EVANSVILLE, INDIANA
MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1968

VICE-PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: Thank you very much, thank you. Thank you so much. Thank you, Mr. Mayer. Thank you very much, my dear and good friend, Mayor McDonald. Thank you for the words of welcome, and thank you for this great Democratic audience. I have never seen anything like it. (Applause)

Oh, it's a wonderful sight to behold, I'll tell you. I'm going to take a picture of this tonight and send it to Mr. Nixon. I just want him to see what real people look like -- real good Democrats. (Applause)

Well, you know, my esteemed colleague, our candidate for Vice-President -- and by the way, isn't he wonderful, don't you like Ed Muskie? (Applause)

Just think of the choice you have to make. My goodness.

Well, the other day he was talking, Mr. Mayor -- he was talking to a group in New York City of some of our entertainers, some of whom are here tonight, and he said he felt like a mosquito in a nudist camp -- he didn't know where to start. And I don't quite know where to start on the celebrities -- except to say that every time I see my good friend, Governor Roger Branigin, I feel just a little better -- every time. Governor, it's good to see you.

(Applause)

And I know that with Josephine along, there is some chance you'll behave -- not for sure, but there is some chance.

And I listened to him outside the hall here, as he was speaking, and when he said he was a thousand per cent for me, I said now that is the kind of a Democrat I like; that leaves a little to spare. And I want to thank you.

And on our way here tonight from Washington we were accompanied by an old friend -- and Frank, when I first came to Evansville, the man that met me at the airport, who greeted me and took me to a meeting here at the Labor Council, was then then Mayor of Evansville, Indiana, and his name was Vance Hartke, your Senior Senator.

(Applause)

And Martha and Vance were aboard the plane this evening. Martha couldn't come with us. We have a little joke on her. She stayed on board the plane while we were all saying goodbye so long that they took the ramp away and when she started to walk off, it looked like she was going to fly. So we were held up just two or three minutes.

But I am proud of this friendship, proud to come back to the home town of a fine United States Senator and a good friend, Vance Hartke. (Applause)

And I listened outside, as I was preparing to come to this wonderful gathering, to a brilliant address, right to the point, right on target, just the kind of a man, you know -- "H- look me over" -- Birch Bayh. And he is really great. (Applause)

Senator Birch Bayh looks good all by himself, but with Marvella he's unbeatable. I'll tell you, that's a combination.

Birch, all I want you to do is just to share a little of that majority that you have tied up now with me, and it will make everything good in Indiana. (Applause)

And to Bob Rock, and to Jim Beatty, your candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor -- I am sure that you know that these men represent the kind of democracy that you can be proud of. And I want to share with their many friends tonight the hope and the determination that they are going to be elected as Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this great State of Indiana. So you get busy and get the job done. (Applause)

But you will have to forgive me if I take just a moment about your congressional candidate. This is the home district of an old friend of mine, Winfield Denton. I love Winfield.

(Applause)

And what in the world ever happened that you let him out of Congress is beyond me. So you have to redeem yourself. And the man to redeem this great eighth -- is that right -- the Eighth Congressional District -- that's pretty good for remembering for two to four years -- this great Eighth Congressional District, is Wayne Kent. And, Wayne, we sure want to wish you luck. (Applause)

Now, I know he's a good man, because his mother and father told me so. (Laughter) And who knows a man better than his own parents. And I want to wish you well.

And, Mat, thank you, my dear friend -- the former distinguished Governor and my manager here and my chairman from the State of Indiana, Matt Welsh. I want to thank you so much. (Applause) The whole Democratic ticket.

Listen -- I want to say you can't go wrong by voting Democratic, and you can live like a Republican by voting Democratic. (Applause)

We have many guests with us tonight. I hope that they have all been introduced. But one of the finest ladies in this land, who is the wife of the very distinguished Governor, accompanied us on this journey, and her husband will join us a couple of days later. And I refer to the wife of the Governor of New Jersey, but a lady in her own right, and real fame and reputation, and a wonderful spirit, a great woman -- Betty Hughes. Where is Betty? She is here somewhere, I know. (Applause) Bless your heart. She would be up there, rather than here. But I'll tell you something. You just don't have better folks than Mrs. Richard Hughes, Betty Hughes, of New Jersey. And I just wanted to let you know that she was here.

Now, Inger, I heard you, too. And my mother was born in Norway, not in Sweden. But one phrase I remember that always got me in a little trouble with the Svenska flicks is "Jag Alskar Dig". That's a very good one, too. And for all of you who don't know, I'll tell you what it means afterwards.

But I heard Inger, I heard Miss Stevens speak tonight. And I want to thank her very, very much. She is a very lovely, talented lady of the screen and stage, and she has been kind to give us of her time and of her support. She is a fine woman. She knows what it means to cherish a vote in this democracy. And I hope that every person in this audience, young and old, will have the same depth of conviction about the importance of a vote in this election as a newly naturalized citizen, Inger Stevens. (Applause)

We brought along another gentleman that hasn't spoken to you, but some of you remember him, and I am sure you have seen him many times on TV. He is known as Red Buttons. And I hope that before we get out of here, that Red will have a chance to at least come up and say hello.

I like these folks, and I'll tell you why. I don't think there are any people that are more sensitive to human need, that are more sensitive to the hopes and the aspirations of humanity than the people of the arts. It is their sensitivity, which means their talent, and when they give you their support, they don't give it because of money, or because of prestige, or because it is a way for them to

gain fame. They already have gained fame, they already have a great income, they already have prestige. They give it because they believe it. And I am honored by the support of some of these fine, distinguished people of the arts.

And by the way, I noticed as I came in here a few old friends from Evansville University. Now, I haven't checked into the politics of the coach over there, but I think I can still save him if he has slipped. But I want to say to Coach McHutcheon that we are mighty proud of your basketball teams, and we are mighty proud of Evansville University and the Home of Champions. (Applause)

And to you -- oh, yes, Indiana -- yes, I know Indiana State has a branch here, too. We are proud of them, too. (Applause)

And may I say to my friends from Kentucky (Applause) -- don't forget that you can elect a wonderful woman to the United States Senate, and that is Katy Peden.

And if any of our friends are here from Illinois, don't you forget you can elect a wonderful man to the United States Senate in Bill Clark, and you can elect a Governor, too, in Governor Shapiro, and let's get on with the job. (Applause)

Now, I come here tonight to talk a little politics to you-. And it is the kind of politics that I think you ought to like. It is about your life. It is about your family. It is about your country. And it is about your world.

This business of a campaign is serious business. It has gaiety at times, it has even had tragedy, stark tragedy -- as we learned in Los Angeles in June.

Politics is the people's business. And, ladies and gentlemen, unless the people take care of their business, someone is apt to give them the business; someone is apt to hurt them.

And I come to a community that has suffered both sorrow and glory, sadness and joy, failure and success. I come to a community that represents one of the great success stories of the 1960's -- the City of Evansville, Indiana, Hoosier State, with a great Mayor, a man that is devoted to his city, and a man that gives leadership to this great community. And I am proud of the friendship of Frank McDonald and thank him for his invitation (Applause)

But I came here one other time, and I came here when a young man was mayor, and he was fighting for this city, and this city was in trouble -- not just this city -- America was in trouble. America was in the third recession. We cleaned up that word "depression" -- that is a word that is attached to the 1930's and the late 1920's.

But Evansville in 1958, when Vance Hartke was Mayor and was running for the United States Senate was a city that was suffering from Republican economics and Republican policies. The whole Ohio Valley was sick, sick at heart, sick economically. This great valley of the Ohio, the industrial giant of the world, was stricken as if it had a disease. And what was it? Unemployment, recession, tragic unemployment. Three recessions in eight years.

And yet my Republican opponent has the audacity over this weekend to talk about how they had stable prices during those Republican eight years, when they had 12 per cent inflation, and yet they had three tragic recessions that took jobs and income, that closed schools, and caused mayors and city councils of cities to wonder how they could take care of the welfare rolls.

Let's we forget -- I would not mention this past history tonight, except that it is being talked about once again by the same voices. They are like the old French kinds, these Republicans; they never learn anything and they never forget anything when it comes to economics.

I heard Birch Bayh say tonight that we must talk of the

future, and we must. But let me tell you one way to appreciate the present and to have a dream of the future is to remember the days that have passed.

I would not spend a moment's time tonight telling you of these days of yesterday, except I heard only this past weekend the economic advisor to the Republican nominee for President, his number one economic advisor, say that Mr. Nixon would be willing to accept a higher rate of unemployment just to have some price stability.

Well, ladies and gentlemen, I ask this question. Whose job is he talking about? I know one man that can stand some unemployment, and I plan on giving it to him -- Richard M. Nixon. (Applause)

Now, what was true of Evansville, with hundreds and thousands out of work in this area of the great Ohio River Valley -- the same was true of Henderson, of Owensboro, of Bowling Green, of Louisville and city after city that represents the best of this country.

And then something happened -- something happened after those eight years. A bright light came on the scene, a new voice was heard. And that new voice came into this State, and he went into Ohio, and he went into other states, even though the voice went unheeded by the majority -- he spoke the truth. And I have resolved in my public life to speak the truth to you, whether I win, lose or draw. What is important is to say what is right. (Applause)

John Kennedy did not carry Indiana, and he did not carry Ohio. But he spoke the truth. And Jack Kennedy and the Democrats turned Mr. Nixon and his horse and buggy economic theories and all of their cronies out of Washington, and we got this country moving again. And Evansville started to move, and the Ohio Valley started to move. (Applause)

And how did it start? By teamwork, with the Governor, with Democratic Senators, with strong, local government. And here recently with your Mayor. With Birch Bayh being elected from this great State in 1962. All of them pulling together. To do what? To back policies and programs, federal and state and local, that gave people not only hope, but gave them a chance.

Yes, Birch, I heard you speak of Thomas Wolfe tonight. "Every man his chance, every man his right to life, to live, to work, to be whatever his manhood can make of himself". Thomas Wolfe, the great poet of the depression. He told us what was the promise of America. And my friends and fellow citizens, the party that I am privileged to represent from this platform tonight has spoken the words of the promise of America -- every man his chance, every man his right to live, to work, to be something, every man to be all that his manhood and his vision can combine to make him. This is the promise of America, and this is what this Democratic Party stands for. And this is what I stand for. Every man his chance. (Applause)

I need not tell you the details of this story of recovery. But when I hear the Republican nominee talk about his fiscal policies, let it be on this record from this platform tonight that that Republican administration permitted the gold of this country to flow out at an unprecedented rate. And they can not deny it.

That that Republican administration permitted this country's economy to lose production capacity at the rate of \$50 billion a year. They cannot deny it.

That that Republican administration never had one manpower training program, not one, Mr. Mayor. And yet in your city right now there is a program that will provide training for over 3,000 disadvantaged workers. Not one did they give you. (Applause)

That Republican administration saw schools working at half time and did nothing for federal aid to education.

That Republican administration saw our elderly, the poorest of the poor, ladies and gentlemen, of the elderly, and saw them having to beg for medical care and did nothing about it.

Ladies and gentlemen, it was not only a government that didn't

take care of our business, but it was a government that didn't take care of our people, that cared not for the little ones and cares not for the elderly, seemed not to worry about anything else except what is called its bookkeeping, and even then it had one of the largest peacetime deficits that this nation has ever known.

And Mr. Nixon says he wants to bring back to America what we had in the 1950's.

No, no, Mr. Nixon -- you are not going to bring it back to Evansville, and you are not going to bring it back to America.

(Applause)

What have we done these last eight years, and what do we plan on doing?

Well, I have heard it said, well, people don't like to be reminded of what has happened. Well, that may be true. But let me tell you my dear friends -- when you are hiring a manager of the greatest enterprise in the world, you better take a look at his credentials; you better ask what has he ever run, what has he ever done, how does he act, what are his impulses, what are his reactions.

And I ask you to compare the record of Richard Milhouse Nixon with Hubert Horatio Humphrey. I ask you to compare the record.

(Applause)

I ask you to compare the record of Spiro -- how do we pronounce it -- Spiro Agnew, with Edmund Muskie. I ask you to compare the record. (Applause)

There isn't a business corporation in this city that would hire a new manager that didn't ask for references, that would not ask for what was his performance, and what is the Republican nominee? I'll tell you what part of it is.

He called this party the party of treason -- this Democratic party.

I'll tell you what part of that record is -- an infamous campaign against a lady by the name of Helen Gahagan Douglas.

I'll tell you what part of that record is -- a record, if you please of not one signal piece of legislation in an entire Congressional career -- not one.

He comes to the American people and he says "Make me your president".

Ladies and gentlemen, I not only ask that you compare the records of individuals -- and I have asked for the opportunity for those records to be compared in public view -- not hidden in shadows, but out in the bright sunlight of truth. But I ask you to compare the records of political parties.

Which party cared, which party brought you, Mr. Businessman, the prosperity that you have ever enjoyed in your life. And every businessman in this State needs to remember that he -- that American business has made more net profit in any one Democratic year since 1961, in any one, than they made in all eight Republican years from 1953 to 1961. (Applause)

And I hear Mr. Nixon say that taxes are too high. Well, that is a normal human reaction. But let me remind him that those taxes are substantially lower, those federal taxes, today than they were when his administration was in power. Three tax cuts since 1964; one modest surtax. Had the same tax rates been on it Mr. Nixon and his Republicans left with us, this administration would have collected an extra \$16 billion in revenues last year.

So whether you put it on profits or taxes, it is a better deal with the Democratic administration.

Wages -- Mr. Worker, your net income under the Republican administration went up nine per cent in eight years, after taxes, after the rise in the cost of living. It has gone up 32 per cent after taxes, after the rise in the cost of living, in these eight years.

I don't mind if somebody wants to go around and say they are Republican. You know, a lot of people get a kick out of that. It sort of makes them feel good. It is like buying high-priced perfume. It makes you smell a little better, but it doesn't really make you any better, you know. (Laughter)

But I want to tell you, young man, when you are looking for the girl that you are going to spend your life with, you better find out what kind of a woman she is, not what kind of perfume she buys.

And let me tell you right now, when you are taking a look at the facts are, you can go around the country club and say "I'm a Republican", it will help your golf score some. I know that my father used to say about my mother that she was slightly politically unreliable. It happens to the best of families. And every once in a while somebody will cheat a little bit on that. But I am here to say that if you are the head of a corporation, you owe to your stockholders to vote Democratic, because the profit shows (Applause)

And, Mr. Worker, head of family, I say that you owe it to your wife and your children to vote Democratic, because they are entitled to a better pay check, they are entitled to some of the better things in life. And you get it under a Democratic administration, and you don't get it under the other one. (Applause)

Let me say just a word about something maybe a little more serious.

Which administration was it that helped construct across this country four hundred mental health clinics for emotionally disturbed children, to help them?

Which government cared? Which party?

There were emotionally disturbed children in the 1950's. But nothing was done, until John Kennedy became President, and Lyndon Johnson.

Which administration was it for the first time that cared about the one out of every four hundred babies born in this country that are mentally retarded? One out of every four hundred. In this audience tonight here of 10,000, 11,000, 12,000. In this audience there could have been three hundred.

Which administration cared enough for the first time in the history of this land to provide some money for institutional care for medical research, for the kind of care that these blessed people are entitled to? Republicans? No. Democrats? Yes. I am proud of it. (Applause)

Which administration looked at the elderly and said -- it's shameful that they have to go down and declare themselves paupers in order to have the blessings of medical care?

Which administration fought for years against hospital and home care? Which administration called it socialism? Which administration and which party blocked it every time they tried?

The Republican administration.

And which President and which administration and which party stood up and was counted against all the odds and said that the elderly of this land, some 24 million of them, have the privilege of the best that we can offer today in nursing homes, in medicine, in drugs, in medical care and nursing care, and hospital care? I'll tell you. The Democratic administration.

(Applause)

Well you would think that after all of this our friends of the opposition would have learned, but they haven't. They haven't learned a bit. Can you imagine a Democratic candidate for President getting up here and saying that in order just to make things a little better for some people we are going to throw other people out of work? Can you imagine that, when you know that jobs mean income and income means better living, when we know that jobs mean dignity and dignity means self-respect, when we know that jobs mean hope and hope means life. And life means opportunity. I say that every American has a right to a job. Every American has a right to a job even Mr. Nixon. But not in the White House.

(Laughter and applause)

Now, enough of this on the economic side, my friends. The central issue of this time is stated from this platform earlier, everything is for naught if we as human beings have not learned how to control our passions and how to prevent this world from being blown to bits in a nuclear holocaust. The art of statesmanship is the creation of peace. The purpose of man's life is harmony within his own soul and spirit and harmony amongst his fellow men. I want to say tonight that I am going to be the peace President, the peace President, first and foremost.

(Applause)

I have placed at the top of my agenda as the next President of the United States, if by that time peace has not come to that worn torn area, Southeast Asia, I have put at the top of that agenda the full authority, the full prestige and the responsibility of the office of President to bring about speedily an honorable peace in Vietnam and we will find a way to do it.

(Applause)

Don't tell me that a nation that knows how to make war can't find somebody that knows how to make peace. I will be as willing to take risks for peace as our bravest soldiers are, have been willing to take risks on the battlefield and I think that is the kind of a President you want. I think you want a President that can heal the wounds. I think you want a President that understands that man cannot afford to live in a constant realm of increasing danger, and as your President, as a peace President, I will not hesitate to do anything, to go any place, to talk to anyone at any time to bring about the conditions of an honorable peace so that we can bring our resources back to America to do the job that needs to be done here.

(Applause)

Now, enough for Mr. Nixon for a while. I want to talk about another man, because this campaign is not a two-party campaign, regrettably. There is a third party as well. And I say regrettably. What about the third party candidate? They tell me, Mr. Mayor, I have been told, at least there was some advice received, that there might be a few people here in Evansville that have thought about voting for the third party man, even if it is a vote that would result in Mr. Nixon's election, and a Republican recession. I want to talk to the women in this audience tonight. Don't you let your husband do that to you. You have to go down and pay those grocery bills. It is your children that are going to need those clothes as well as his. It is your son and daughter that is going to need an education. And we have got to talk sense to each other.

It is all right for every one of us occasionally to have an emotional outburst. I think it is a catharsis which may be necessary, but you can't vote your anger. You have to vote your hopes. You can't vote your hates. You have to vote your hopes.

(Applause)

And they tell me that there might even be some support from among union members for the third party candidate. Well, I want to talk to you, my fellow union members. I want to ask some

questions from this platform tonight, and I have been advised that every one that I am going to ask may lose me a vote, so here we start to lose them, but it is time that somebody started calling the shots in this campaign. It is time that people that are in this election campaign started to speak out on all the issues and quit playing footsy with the American people.

(Applause)

Let me tell you just a little bit. I had hoped that the Republican nominee who says he has this commanding lead would understand that what a President needs is not popularity but he needs principle! And if you need principle --

(Applause)

-- and if you need principle, then you have to talk principle. And I want to talk about some of the facts relating to the third party nominee.

Mr. Worker, and your family, Mr. Wage Earner and your family, I want to talk directly to you tonight. They make the third lowest wages of any state in the country in Alabama. Let that sink in. And when they tried to unionize, to do something about those wages, the former Governor used to call out the state troopers on occasion to take care of the organizers. The housewives in Alabama take those shrunken Wallace paychecks down to the store and they pay six cents on a dollar in state sales tax, the highest sales tax in the country, and mothers and fathers, the second lowest per capita expenditure for children and education is in the State of Alabama. And my friends of the working group, the man in the factory, if you ever needed workmen's compensation you can be assured of one thing, that Mr. Wallace gave the workers the lowest workmen's compensation of any of the 50 states.

Now, how in the name of common sense a working man can be for that kind of a record is beyond me.

(Applause)

All right. Now, let's take the other part of it. Now, let's take the other part of the record. I know what the arguments are. I have been around. Some people say too long. I say just about long enough to be able to put the -- to put some of these people on the spot. Mr. Wallace doesn't talk much about his economic record. He spends his time scaring people about law and order.

Now, let's take a look at his law and order. He certainly has given us an inspiring example of respect for the law when he was the Governor of his state. He decided which courts suited him and he disobeyed the rest. You try it some time. See what happens to you. He decided which judges he liked and he vilified the rest. He stood in the doorway of a school and said you shall not enter, despite the supreme law of this land.

(Applause)

And he decided which laws he preferred and violated the ones that he didn't like. And what happened? What else? Alabama has good people, lovely people. It has two of the finest United States Senators that ever came to the United States Senate, in Senators Hill and Senator Sparkman. But let me tell you that those good people have had to suffer many indignities and tragedies. Alabama under George Wallace had the highest murder rate of any of the 50 states in this Union and he has the gall to talk about law and order.

(Applause)

His state has the second highest -- his state has the second highest rate of aggravated assault which is serious crime, of any state in the Union. The only other man that comes reasonably close to it in this election is the nominee for Vice President whose state has the fourth highest crime rate and he talks about law and order. I think these fellows have got a guilt complex. And what does Mr. Wallace propose to do with this great record? What does he propose to do with it? He says he wants to take the record of Alabama and he wants to fasten it on the entire nation. He is not going to fasten it on my state

and he is not going to fasten it on Indiana. We have got better records than that.

(Applause)

And what did Mr. Wallace do about this crime rate? Nothing. Did he pay his police more? Not a dime. Did he try to improve the court processes? Not a bit. Did they establish programs to upgrade the professional quality of the police? Not at all. Talk, talk, talk about law and order.

Ladies and gentlemen, I was Mayor of the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and I have said I am going to lay it on the line. I am going to tell it like it is. I came into that city when it was crime ridden, organized crime, rackets. I went down to Washington, D.C., to see the Director of the FBI and asked him for advice, as a very young man, 32 years of age, Mayor of my city, and he told me to get myself a policeman -- a chief of police that was well trained. He gave me a suggestion in my department, a man that had been trained in the FBI academy, and he said then you back him, and you give him total backing, and ladies and gentlemen, I did. And I ask any reporter, I ask any member of the Nixon crew, I ask this synthetic GOP truth squad that has yet to find the truth, I ask them to go to Minneapolis and find out who gave that city law and order and his name is Hubert Humphrey and it stands there as a record.

(Applause)

Now, what about these candidate? I issued a challenge here a few days ago and I renewed it today. I want a three-man debate and I will tell you why. There are three serious candidates for President, one of them deadly serious. Yes indeed. The other one aggravatingly serious. And this one very serious.

(Applause)

And I said, let's get on the same platform, all three of us. Not two of us, not one of us, all three of us. Let's get before those cameras like I see here tonight. Let's do it on national television. Let the 200 million American people see us as we are. Let them see the sweat pouring out of us as we work here. Let them see us speak from our hearts instead of just from a script. Let them see what we are. I will see how cool and efficient and how well modulated the Republican nominee is under these circumstances.

(Applause)

What is Mr. Nixon afraid of? Why won't he come out of the shadows? Who does Richard Nixon think he is, Sally Rand?

(Laughter)

Let's tell him to come out from behind those balloons and discuss the issues. Somebody said to me on the way out here, there is a new doll, they call it a Nixon doll. Nixon doll on the market. They said they are getting it ready for the Christmas season. I said, what is it like? They said, you wind it up and then it hides.

(Applause and laughter)

I hope he is mindful of the fact that his Republican colleagues in the Congress put on a shameful exhibition of trying to prevent an amendment of the law that would have permitted these debates. The House of Representatives finally, after a session that lasted for many, hours, I have forgotten, 18, 20 hours or more, one of the longest that they have ever had -- suspended what they call Section 312 of the Communications Act which permitted the three candidates for President to appear on national television as public service time in a series of debates. Standing here to my right, far to my right, Mr. Wallace, and of wobbling right, left, back, front, in the middle, Mr. Nixon. And myself standing right here.

(Applause)

And we wanted -- and we were asking that that law be amended because this is a very, very crucial election, not a two-man race, a three-man race, and you know it and I know it.

The House of Representatives finally amended it and then the Republicans in the Senate took advantage of the unlimited debate procedures

of the Senate to prevent the amendment of that law so that you could have debate for the public. What cynicism. And the Congress had to adjourn without that law being changed so that we could have these struggles.

Now, I have offered an invitation and I have said that I will raise the money from people like yourselves across this land asking for individual contributions, for us to put on this debate, a three-man standup, face the facts, face the issues, Meet the Press, Issues and answers, you call it what you will, a three-man debate worthy of the American public.

What do I hear? Mr. Nixon's campaign manager says that is old stuff. Well, I will tell you, he will find out it isn't if he gets in there.

(Laughter) (Applause)

I will tell you why I think Mr. Nixon and his Republican candidates are afraid. They are afraid the American people will find out where Mr. Nixon stands, and I want to tell you that is going to be a trick. His stand makes a bowl of jello look like a cement concrete block.

(Applause)

Do you know where he stands?

VOICES. No.

VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: The only thing I know is he has bigger grades than I have.

(Laughter)

Mr. Nixon is afraid that I will ask him if he and his party will think that Medicare won't work, because that is what I am going to ask him. I am tipping him off. He is afraid I will ask him if he still thinks it is a harmful socialist scheme because that is what they said. He is afraid I will ask him if he and his party still think that Federal Aid to Education is no good. Or maybe he is afraid I will ask him why he cast the vote that killed Federal Aid to Education when he is Vice President of the United States and the only authority that any Vice President has, the only authority, at home or in Congress, the right to break a tie vote.

(Laughter)

And when Mr. Nixon exercised that authority on Aid to Education, he voted no against the children of this country. He voted no against the school teachers of this country.

I think he is afraid I will ask him if he still thinks the Peace Corps was a haven for draft dodgers. He is possibly afraid I will ask him why he writes special letters, little secret communications, to all Street security brokers telling them that the Securities and Exchange Commission is being unfair to the brokers, but apparently he forgot that the purpose of the Securities and Exchange Commission was to be fair to the investors. That is what you need.

(Applause)

Maybe he is afraid I will ask the real Richard Nixon to stand

(Laughter)

I am not worried about the new one or the old one. It is the real one that you need to be thinking about.

Is he the one? Is he the one who says he is for a treaty to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons, to prevent Mr. Nasser and Mr. Castro from getting their itchy, erratic fingers on the nuclear trigger?

Is that the real Mr. Nixon? Or is the real Mr. Nixon the one that says he is for delaying the ratifying of the treaty? Is the one who favors integration in the North or the one who is sort against it when he tours in the south with his new found ally, Jim Thurmond?

(Applause)

Yes, he is the one all right. Nixon's the one. Make no mistake

about it. He is afraid, all right, and I don't blame him, because the record is there. And I intend to smoke him out. And I intend to keep at it until he comes out.

(Applause)

You know, Vance and Birch, the other day I was telling the folks in some jest about how I used to go pheasant hunting when I had a little more time. You know, back out there in the Minnesota fields and South Dakota plains you go along out there and you kick the bushes, you know, underneath and kind of kick around a little bit and pretty soon -- those pheasants are always hiding out underneath the underbrush and if you are a real good pheasant hunter you know how to kick the bush and get the gun up there quick and be able to hit a moving target.

I just want Mr. Nixon to know I am going to kick his bush.

(Applause and laughter)

And I want him to know that -- I want him to know that I am a pretty good shot at a moving target and I intend to put it on him, make no mistake. I intend to put him on. Nothing but one thing, his record. Not about the man personally. I have nothing to say about the man personally except kind things. But I have this to say, that he is parading before the American public as a statesman without a record of a statesman. He is parading before the American public as an experienced political officer without a single major political accomplishment to his record, and Mr. Nixon, come on up and defend yourself.

(Applause)

Now, I leave you tonight with this assurance, that I intend to fight this campaign out to the last meeting, to the last ounce of my strength.

My fellow Democrats, listen, we have been fighting amongst each other so long we have almost forgotten who the opposition is. Wake up before it is too late.

(Applause)

No matter what you may think about a fellow Democrat, you can get the shivers and you can get cold chills and wake up in the middle of the night, not with a pleasant dream but with a modest nightmare, maybe a big one, if you think what can happen in this country unless we settle down.

Now, I haven't told you that anything I have offered you would be easy. I spoke on the issue of crime the other night and I didn't say that the way you corrected it was by putting on bumper stickers saying Back our Police. That is what some people's crime program is.

I said to you that it would cost money and I am here to tell you that it costs money to raise a good family. It costs money for a good education. It costs to have a decent home. It costs to have a good life. It costs to have an education. But ladies and gentlemen, every one of them are the wisest investment you will ever make. Crime cost this nation last year 27 billion dollars. The arms race is costing this nation over \$80 billion a year. Whatever we can do to lower the level of crime, whatever we can do to lower the level of the arms race, is a wise investment.

I offer you no easy way out. But if you are made of what I think you are, my fellow Americans, if you are made of the stuff that made this country what it is and what made it great, you don't want any easy answers. You don't want any slogans. You know that it is going to take work and sacrifice. You know that it is going to cost. You know that it is not going to be easy.

But I presented my case, at least, and I am open to attack. I am not hiding out. I am not playing possum.

I am the Democratic candidate for the highest office in the land of the American people and I say to you that the Democratic Party has been the symbol of tomorrow. I want to be a President that the young people of America can look to with respect. I want to be a President that the young people of America will know will seek to understand their needs and their wants.

I won't always agree with them. I won't always agree with them

but they will always have a hearing.

I want to be a President that the older people of America can believe will care for their needs. But above all, I want to be a President that will bring out the goodness in the American people, that will appeal to the greatness that is in the American people. It is not good enough in this year of 1968 to let this election be settled on the basis of an emotional appeal of passion and evil, or to a synthetic appeal to just leaving things alone.

There is a greatness in this country, my friends, and that greatness is tied up basically in this phrase -- trust ye one another, and we must learn to trust each other. We must learn to work together. We must be one great American family. We must now come to understand that the day of a divided America is over if we want to realize any of our hopes and ambitions. We must understand that the greatest days of America are yet to be lived.

We must understand that America stands for unfinished business. We must understand that America stands for the unfinished revolution of human dignity. And we must understand that every generation has a responsibility to this unfinished business by adding the building blocks of our own achievements.

I ask this audience to stand with me, to lift America to new heights, not to push America back into the shadows of the past, not even to be content with the achievements of today. I ask you to look up to the horizons of tomorrow. I ask you to help me give America a new day because a new generation demands it and I want to help them get it.

Thank you very much.

EVENT

Kate Pedersen Bill Clark 10

Vanderburgh Co. Dem. Central Comm. Annual
Dinner.

Gov. (Truth Squad)

Annual ---- \$10 per plate ---- Seated dinner;
about 8,000 tickets sold; about 5,000 dinners
will be served.

5,000 seats opened to the public--free--after
dinner.

Gov. Branigan, Sen Hartke, Lt. Gov. Rock (Dem.
Cand. for Gov.) scheduled to speak before V-P.
Hartke may be deleted if he arrives with you
on plane.

CELEBRITIES FOR EVANSVILLE

✓ Vanderburgh County
✓ Miss Inger Stevens

✓ Mr. Red Buttons

Chubby Checker

Cooper's Combo (local musical group) will have performed
for the dinner)

The Corsairs (local musical group, will have performed
for the dinner)

Color Guard, Vanderburgh County Civil Defense Police

Roman Gehlhausen (will have sung National Anthem before
you arrive)

Frank McDonald -
Winfield Denton -

+ Josephine
Roger Branigan
Bush + Marvella
Bayh
Vance Hartke

Michael Welsh
Jim Bayless from

Bob Rock - Bob
Wayne Kent - com
94

Jim Batty St Gov
Wayne Kent -
8th Cong Dist

Gouvernor Bob Rock!
Sen Vance Harkey

REMARKS
① Winfield Denton former Congressman
VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY of the 8th

VANDERBURGH COUNTY ANNUAL DEMOCRATIC DINNER

① Today Ken Eismann EVANSVILLE, INDIANA
BIRTHDAY OCTOBER 14, 1968 ① May McDonald
① Mrs Richard Hughes

What a pleasure to be here right in the middle of one of MATT Welsh
the great American success stories of the 1960's -- Evansville, (ex. Gov.)
Indiana.

└ Evansville was a sick town -- and the whole Ohio Valley
was sick -- as you well know.

└ Three recessions in those eight long, dreary
Smack
Nixon-Republican years hit Evansville right in the breadbasket. !!

① Coach Mc Cutchan
of Evansville Univ
Basketball Team
(Home of Champions)
#1

✓ Earl Clements (Kentucky)
✓ Kay Peden (Senator Kentucky)
✓ Bill Clark - Ill

④ L Factories were shut down... thousands and thoudands of
you were out of work. L The same was true in Henderson and
Owensboro and Bowling Green and Louisville. !

1958
Hartke

1962
Bayh

L Then Jack Kennedy and the Democrats turned Mr. Nixon
and his horse-and-buggy economic theories out of Washington. *and*

L We got this country moving again. !

L Your two great Democratic Senators.. Vance Hartke
and Birch Bayh.. your fine Democratic Governor...

Vance
Hartke -

Birch Bayh

Roger Branigan... and your strong local Democratic

Roger Branigan

Government... headed by Mayor Frank McDonald... have

Frank
McDonald

pulled together to bring industry and full employment

back to Evansville.

Democratic Team Work!

Record - Fed Taxes Reduced

Profits up!

wages up

unemployment Down

Jobs Up!

✓ Educ - 300% increase

✓ Soc Sec -

- medicare

✓ Health Research

✓ Food Stamps

✓ Aid to needy

✓ J & T Training - Right here
over 3000

And that same success story has been repeated all across America in the last 8 years.

The average family of four in this country in 1968 can live and eat just as well as they did in 1960... and still have almost \$3,000 left over.

family income

That's enough to send a ~~son~~ ^{son or daughter} to college for a year... or to buy a new car... or to make a real start toward owning your own home... without borrowing or dipping into savings. !

And that's what being a Democrat is all about.

You might think the Republicans would have learned.

But they haven't.

They've got a permanent patent on recession, and
Mr. Nixon's top economic adviser renewed it just the other
day.

Sister - Hear ye!
What the American economy needs, he said, is a little
more unemployment. *!!*

You know what that means: no more overtime... people
out of work... less production... and pretty soon you're in a
downward spiral toward another Republican recession. *+ They know how!*

They did it three times in the 1950's! And if we give
them a chance they're sure to do it again. *!*

We won't.

Can you imagine a Democrat throwing people out of work?

*Whatever our sins, that's not
one of them!*

- L Jobs mean income.
- L Jobs mean dignity.
- L Jobs mean hope.

and Income means better living!
and Dignity means Self Respect!
and Hope means opportunity!

And I say every American has a right to a job (even
Mr. Nixon.) but not in the White House.

L I'm going to be a peace president first and foremost. !

But I tell you today that I am going to be a prosperity
president too--and no other candidate can make that claim.

L Now, what about Mr. Wallace?

L They tell me that some of you people here in Evansville
have thought about voting for him--even if it's a vote for
Mr. Nixon and Republican recessions. !

Peace
President
Prosperity
President

Wallace Labor

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!! < They even say that some of his support comes from the working people and union members.

(I want to talk to you workers)

< Let me tell you a little bit about the life of the working people in Alabama.

(1) < They make the third lowest wages of any state in the country.

And when they tried to unionize to do something about

(2) those wages... former Governor Wallace used to call out the state troopers to take care of the organizers.

(3) < The housewives in Alabama take those shrunk Wallace paychecks down to the store... and they pay six cents on the dollar in state sales tax... and that's the highest in the

6%
Sales
Tax

country.

(4) and when it comes to Education for your children the 2nd lowest Per Capita Expenditure

(5) and the lowest workmen compensation benefits!

∟ No thanks, Mr. Wallace. America can do better. |

Mr. Wallace doesn't talk much about his economic record...

he spends his time scaring people about law and order.

∟ He certainly gave us an inspiring example of respect for the law when he was governor of Alabama.

∟ Mr. Wallace decided which courts suited him... and he disobeyed the rest.

∟ He decided which judges he liked... and he vilified the rest.

∟ He decided which laws he preferred... and he violated the ones he didn't like.

And what happened? Alabama under George Wallace had the highest murder rate in the country. and one of the highest rates of other serious crime.

Wallace + Crime

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L And what does Mr. Wallace propose to do about crime in this country? - are his Police well Paid - No!

L He says he will run over people with his car if they get down on front.

L That's not good enough for America, and you know it. !

L And neither is a candidate who lacks the courage to come before the American people and debate his views--openly and honestly.

L What is Mr. Nixon afraid of?

Why won't he come out of the shadows?

Who does Richard Nixon think he is - Sally Rand?
lets tell him to come out from behind those
balloons + discuss the issues -

They Tell me there is a new Nixon Doll on the
market - you wind it up, then it hides.

✓ He is so afraid that he ordered his Republican friends in the Congress to put on the most shameful and cynical display of evasion and obstruction in a political generation: using the free debate privilege of the Senate to deny the people of Indiana and Kentucky and all Americans a chance to hear debate by the ^{all the} candidates. 1 41 afraid

✓ I'll tell you what Mr. Nixon and his Republican friends are afraid of. They're afraid that the American people will find out where Mr. Nixon stands.

✓ Mr. Nixon is afraid that I'll ask him if he and his party still think medicare is a harmful socialist scheme. that "it won't work"

✓ He is afraid I'll ask him if he and his party still think federal aid to education is no good. or ask why he can't vote that Killed Fed AED to Educ - when he was V.P.

① I'd be afraid I'd ask him if he still thinks
the Peace Corps is a haven for Draft Dodgers?

② I'd be afraid I'd ask him why he writes Special
Letters to Wall Street Securities Brokers telling
them the SEC is being unfair to Brokers -

He is afraid I'll ask the real Richard Nixon to stand up -

Is he the one who says he is for the treaty to keep Nasser's
and Castro's fingers off the nuclear trigger... or the one who
says he is against ratifying that treaty? Is he the one who
favors integration in the north... or the one who is against

it when he tours with Strom Thurmond in the south?

He's the one, alright. !! yes Nixon is the one -!

He's afraid alright!

And I don't blame him. !

I'd be afraid to put a computerized, mechanized,
slicked-up Madison Avenue Candidate... that says what
he is programmed to say when his powerful clients push the
button... up against a flesh and blood human candidate...
who is willing to stand for something. !!

~~of~~ Pleasant Hunter —
moving target

- II -

L Well, I am going to smoke Mr. Nixon out. I

And I'm going to do it with the help of the American
people who want to know what they're voting for.

L My friends, it takes a man with courage to be president
of the United States... courage to face up to the grim issues
of war and peace--of crime and poverty and blighted
opportunity here at home.

L It takes a man with enough courage to level with the
American people.

L I have spoken out clearly in this campaign... on how I arms control!
would stop the war in Vietnam... on keeping strong the economy... on bitter
education... on crime last Saturday night... on the crisis of our cities
business relations, on the other issues

L I have offered answers... real answers.

L I have not said it would be easy.

How would it come cheap!

L I have not said we could solve our problems overnight.

L But I have made my case before you honestly and openly.

Muskie

L I trust the American people... and they know they can trust me.

Soak to the future - young - undisturbed Old companion

L I believe this nation... and its people... are the greatest in the world.

Trust each other: One America

L I believe our Democracy is the strongest system of government ever devised by the hand of man.

Peace here

L I believe we have a brilliant future as one people.

in world.

"Who shall speak for the people?" Carl Sandburg asked.

L And I answer: I shall.

L I ask your help.

Muskie

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For Release ~~Monday~~ ^{Tuesday} Pm

Howard
10-12-68

TWEd 10-12

Special Statement to the People of Evansville

Evansville is a leader where it counts most--in helping people help themselves. ^P[While preschool children in Evansville attend Head Start classes, their mothers are also attending classes. Seventy-two mothers have completed your "Home Management for Moms" courses here since these began two years ago.

Over three thousand people in Evansville alone will be trained or retrained under the Manpower Development and Training Act to meet the needs of our ever changing job market.

Vocational education in your schools, the Neighborhood Youth Corp and Adult Education are providing skills for Evansville residents.

More can, and must be done.

I have proposed a series of programs which will put the resources of the Federal Government to work in Evansville--helping your citizens help themselves.

First, a new policy of tax sharing which will allow local government to share Federal income. This will represent a new source of support for local initiative in many fields including education and vocational training.

Second, tripled vocational education enrollment within the next four years. Private industry must also become a partner in seeing that people are trained for specific job demands.

Third, expanded adult education programs so the worker can continually upgrade his occupational and professional skills. I recommend an Adult Opportunity Act to provide grants and loans for public and private continuing education programs.

Fourth, a special Council on Federal Education Programs representing Federal, state and local interests so that funds will be concentrated where they will have the greatest effect.

The cost of educating every American must be looked at as an investment that will be fully repaid. The dividend of present spending is already apparent, in the form of new jobs, new hope and new dignity.

WFIE EVSVL

DEM FOR HHH DC

I HAVE A STATEMENT FOR MARTY' GLEASON'S ATTENTION
FROM JOHN STEWART--ISSUES

THIS IS A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO BE RELEASED AFTER THE VP'S DEPARTURE--
AND ONLY TO THE LOCAL PRESS. REPEAT: DO NOT RELEASE UNTIL AFTER
THE VP DEPARTS. OTXXXX IT IS FOR LOCAL CONSUMPTION ONLY AND
SHOULD NOT GO TO THE NATIONAL PRESS TRAVELING WITH THE V. P.
THE SPECIAL STATEMENT FOLLOWS:

FOR RELEASE TUESDAY P. M.

SPECIAL STATEMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF EVANSVILLE

EVANSVILLE IS A LEADER WHERE IT COUNTS MOST--IN HELPING
PEOPLE HELP THEMSELVES.

WHILE PRESCHOOL CHILDREN IN EVANSVILLE ATTEND HEAD START
CLASSES, THEIR MOTHERS ARE ALSO ATTENDING CLASSES. SEVENTY-TWO
MOTHERS HAVE COMPLETED YOUR "HOME MANAGEMENT FOR MOMS" COURSES
HERE SINCE THESE BEGAN TWO YEARS AGO.

OVER THREE THOUSAND PEOPLE IN EVANSVILLE ALONE WILL BE
TRAINED OR RETRAINED UNDER THE MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT AND
TRAINING ACT TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR EVER CHANGING JOB MARKET.

VOLCATIONAL EDUCATION IN YOUR SCHOOLS, THE NEIGHBORHOOD
YOUTH CORP AND ADULT EDUCATION ARE PROVIDING SKILLS FOR
EVANSVILLE RESIDENTS.

MORE COXXXXCAN , AND MUST BE DONE.

I HAVE PROPOSED A SERIES OF PROGRAMS WHICH WILL PUT THE
RESOURCES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO WORK IN EVANSVILLE--
HELPING YOUR CITIZENS HELP THEMSELVES.

FIRST, A NEW POLICY OF TAX SHARING WHICH WILL ALLOW
LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO SAXXX SHARE FEDERAL INCOME. THIS WILL REPRESENT A NEW SOURCE OF SUPPORT FOR LOCAL INITIATIVE IN MANY FIELDS INCLUDING EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING.

SECOND, TRIPLED VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ENROLLMENT WITHIN THE
NEXT FOUR YEARS. PRIVATE INDUSTRY MUST ALSO BECOME A PARTNER
IN SEEING THAT PEOPLE ARE TRAINED FOR SPECIFIC JOB DEMANDS.

THIRD, EXPANDED ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS SO THE WORKER
CAN CONTINUALLY UPGRADE HIS OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SKILLS.
I RECOMMEND AN ADULT OPPORTUNITY ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS AND LOANS
FOR PUBLIC SXXXX AND PRIVATE CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

FOURTH, A SPECIAL COUNCIL ON FEDERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS
REPRESENTING FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL INTERESTS SO THAT FUNDS
WILL BE CONCENTRATED WHERE THEY WILL HAVE THE GREATEST EFFECT.

THE COST OF EDUCATION EVERY AMERICAN MUST BE LOOKED AT
AS AN INVESTMENT THAT WILL BE FULLY REPAID. THE DIVIDENT OF
PRESENT SPENDING IS ALREADY APPARENT, IN THE FORM OF NEW JOBS,
NEW HOPE AND NEW DIGNITY.

~~TEXT FOR~~ EVANSVILLE, INDIANA, OCTOBER 14

for TUES A.M release

Remarks

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey
Vanderburgh County Annual Democratic Dinner

Evansville
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JL
WHAT A PLEASURE TO BE HERE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF ONE OF THE
GREAT AMERICAN SUCCESS STORIES OF THE 1960'S -- EVANSVILLE, INDIANA.

EVANSVILLE WAS A SICK TOWN -- AND THE WHOLE OHIO VALLEY WAS
SICK -- AS YOU WELL KNOW.

THREE RECESSIONS IN THOSE EIGHT ~~YEARS~~ LONG, DREARY NIXON-
REPUBLICAN YEARS HIT EVANSVILLE RIGHT IN THE BREADBASKET.

FACTORIES WERE SHUT DOWN ... THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF YOU WERE
OUT OF WORK. THE SAME WAS TRUE IN HENDERSON AND OWENSEBORO AND
BOWLING GREEN AND LOUISVILLE.

THEN JACK KENNEDY AND THE DEMOCRATS TURNED MR. NIXON AND HIS
HORSE-AND-BUGGY ECONOMIC THEORIES OUT OF WASHINGTON. WE GOT THIS
COUNTRY MOVING AGAIN.

YOUR TWO GREAT DEMOCRATIC SENATORS ... VANCE HARTKE AND BIRCH
BAYH ... YOUR FINE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNOR ... ROGER BRANIGAN ... AND
YOUR STRONG LOCAL DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT ... HEADED BY MAYOR FRANK
MCDONALD ... HAVE PULLED TOGETHER TO BRING INDUSTRY AND FULL EMPLOY-
MENT BACK TO EVANSVILLE.

AND THAT SAME SUCCESS STORY HAS BEEN REPEATED ALL ACROSS AMERICA
IN THE LAST 8 YEARS. 2

THE AVERAGE ~~AMERICAN~~ FAMILY OF OUR IN THIS COUNTRY IN 1968
CAN LIVE AND EAT JUST AS WELL AS THEY DID IN 1960 ... AND STILL HAVE
ALMOST \$3,000 LEFT OVER. ~~(TAKE OUT AMERICAN IN FIRST LINE OF PARA)~~

THAT'S ENOUGH TO SEND A CHILD TO COLLEGE FOR A YEAR ... OR TO
BUY A NEW CAR ... OR TO MAKE A REAL START TOWARD OWNING YOUR OWN HOME
... WITHOUT BORROWING OR DIPPING INTO SAVINGS.

AND THAT'S WHAT BEING A DEMOCRAT IS ALL ABOUT.

YOU MIGHT THINK THE REPUBLICANS WOULD HAVE LEARNED. BUT THEY
HAVEN'T.

THEY'VE GOT A PERMANENT PATENT ON RECESSION, AND MR. NIXON'S TOP
ECONOMIC ADVISER RENEWED IT JUST THE OTHER DAY.

WHAT THE AMERICAN ECONOMY NEEDS, HE SAID, IS A LITTLE MORE
UNEMPLOYMENT.

YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS : NO MORE OVERTIME ... PEOPLE OUT
OF WORK ... LESS PRODUCTION ... AND ~~██████~~ PRETTY SOON YOU'RE IN A
DOWNWARD SPIRAL TOWARD ANOTHER REPUBLICAN RECESSION.

THEY DID IT THREE TIMES IN THE 1950'S. AND IF WE GIVE THEM A
CHANCE THEY'RE SURE TO DO IT AGAIN.

WE WON'T .

CAN YOU IMAGINE A DEMOCRAT THROWING PEOPLE OUT OF WORK?

JOBS MEAN INCOME.

JOBS MEAN DIGNITY.

JOBS MEAN HOPE.

AND I SAY EVERY AMERICAN HAS A RIGHT TO A JOB -- EVEN MR. NIXON
... BUT NOT IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

I'M GOING TO BE A PEACE PRESIDENT FIRST AND FOREMOST. BUT I TELL
YOU TODAY THAT I AM GOING TO BE A PROSPERITY PRESIDENT, TOO -- AND NO
OTHER CANDIDATE CAN MAKE THAT CLAIM.

NOW, WHAT ABOUT MR. WALLACE?

THEY TELL ME THAT SOME OF YOU PEOPLE HERE IN EVANSVILLE HAVE
THOUGHT ABOUT VOTING FOR HIM -- EVEN IF IT'S A VOTE FOR MR. NIXON AND
REPUBLICAN RECESSIONS.

THEY EVEN SAY THAT SOME OF HIS SUPPORT COMES FROM THE WORKING
PEOPLE AND UNION MEMBERS.

LET ME TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE LIFE OF THE WORKING PEOPLE
IN ALABAMA.

THEY MAKE THE THIRD LOWEST WAGES OF ANY STATE IN THE COUNTRY.

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AND WHEN THEY TRIED TO UNIONIZE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THOSE WAGES ... FORMER GOVERNOR WALLACE USED TO CALL OUT THE STATE TROOPERS TO TAKE CARE OF THE ORGANIZERS.

THE HOUSEWIVES IN ALABAMA TAKE THOSE SHRUNKEN WALLACE PAYCHECKS DOWN TO THE STORE ... AND THEY PAY SIX CENTS ON THE DOLLAR IN STATE SALES TAX ... AND THAT'S THE HIGHEST IN THE COUNTRY.

NO THANKS, MR. WALLACE. AMERICA CAN DO BETTER.

MR. WALLACE DOESN'T TALK MUCH ABOUT HIS ECONOMIC RECORD ... HE SPENDS HIS TIME SCARING PEOPLE ABOUT LAW AND ORDER.

HE CERTAINLY GAVE US AN INSPIRING EXAMPLE OF RESPECT FOR THE LAW WHEN HE WAS GOVERNOR OF ALABAMA.

MR. WALLACE DECIDED WHICH COURTS SUITED HIM ... AND HE DISOBEYED THE REST.

HE DECIDED WHICH JUDGES HE LIKED ... AND HE VILIFIED THE REST.

HE DECIDED WHICH LAWS HE PREFERRED ... AND HE VIOLATED THE ONES HE DIDN'T LIKE.

AND WHAT HAPPENED? ALABAMA UNDER GEORGE WALLACE HAD THE HIGHEST MURDER RATE IN THE COUNTRY.

AND WHAT DOES MR. WALLACE PROPOSE TO DO ABOUT CRIME IN THIS COUNTRY?

HE SAYS HE WILL RUN OVER PEOPLE WITH HIS CAR.

THAT 'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR AMERICA, AND YO U KNOW IT.

AND NEITHER IS A CANDIDATE WHO ^{LACKS} ~~HAS~~ THE COURAGE TO COME BEFORE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND DEBATE HIS VIEWS -- OPENLY AND HONESTLY.

WHAT IS MR. NIXON AFRAID OF?

WHY WON'T HE COME OUT OF THE SHADOWS?

HE IS SO AFRAID THAT HE ORDERED HIS ~~REPUBLICAN~~ **FRIENDS** IN THE CONGRESS TO PUT ON THE MOST SHAMEFUL AND CYNICAL DISPLAY OF EVASION AND OBSTRUCTION IN A POLITICAL GENERATION: USING THE FREE DEBATE PRIVILEGE OF THE SENATE TO DENY THE PEOPLE OF INDIANA AND KENTUCKY AND ALL AMERICANS A CHANCE TO HEAR DEBATE BY THE CANDIDATES.

I'LL TELL YOU WHAT MR. NIXON AND HIS REPUBLICAN **FRIENDS** ARE ^{find out} AFRAID OF. THEY'RE AFRAID THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL ~~SEE~~ ^{where Mr. Nixon stands.} ~~THEY FOR WHAT THEY REALLY ARE.~~

MR. NIXON IS AFRAID THAT I'LL ASK HIM IF HE AND HIS PARTY STILL
THINK MEDICARE IS A HARMFUL SOCIALIST SCHEME. 4

HE IS AFRAID I'LL ASK HIM IF HE AND HIS PARTY STILL THINK FEDERAL
AID TO EDUCATION IS NO GOOD.

HE IS AFRAID I'LL ASK THE REAL RICHARD NIXON TO STAND UP ... IS
HE THE ONE WHO SAYS HE IS FOR (ULINE FOR) THE TREATY TO KEEP NASSER'S
AND CASTRO'S FINGERS OFF THE NUCLEAR TRIGGER ... OR THE ONE WHO SAYS
~~HE~~ HE IS AGAINST (ULINE AGAINST) RATIFYING THAT ~~TREATY~~ TREATY? ...
IS HE THE ONE WHO FAVORS (ULINE FAVORS) INTEGRATION IN THE NORTH ...
OR THE ONE WHO IS AGAINST (ULINE AGAINST) IT WHEN HE TOURS WITH STROM
THURMOND IN THE SOUTH?

HE'S THE ONE, ALRIGHT.

HE'S AFRAID.

AND I DON'T BLAME HIM.

I'D BE AFRAID TO PUT A COMPUTERIZED, MECHANIZED, SLICKED-UP
MADISON AVENUE KEWPIE DOLL ... THAT SAYS WHAT HE IS PROGRAMMED TO SAY
~~THESE ARE THE FACTS~~

WHEN HIS POWERFUL CLIENTS PUSH THE BUTTON ... UP AGAINST A FLESH AND
BLOOD HUMAN CANDIDATE ... ~~WITH BLOOD AND BONES AND GUTS~~ ... WHO IS
WILLING TO STAND FOR SOMETHING.

~~I WAS INTRODUCING MEDICARE IN THE SENATE BEFORE MR. NIXON GOT
AROUND TO CALLING IT SOCIALISTIC TRIPE.~~

----- (OMIT ABOVE PARA BEGINNING I WAS INTRODUCING MEDIACARE --

WELL, I AM GOING TO SMOKE MR. NIXON OUT.

AND I'M GOING TO DO IT WITH THE HELP OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE
WHO WANT TO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE VOTING FOR.

MY FRIENDS, IT TAKES A MAN WITH COURAGE TO BE PRESIDENT OF THE
UNITED STATES ... COURAGE TO FACE UP TO THE GRIM ISSUES OF WAR AND
PEACE -- OF CRIME AND POVERTY AND BLIGHTED OPPORTUNITY HERE AT HOME.

IT TAKES A MAN WITH ENOUGH COURAGE TO LEVEL WITH THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE

I HAVE SPOKEN OUT CLEARLY IN THIS CAMPAIGN ... ON HOW I WOULD
STOP THE WAR IN VIETNAM ... ON THE ECONOMY ... ON EDUCATION ... ON
CRIME LAST SATURDAY NIGHT ... ON THE OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE YOU.

I HAVE OFFERED ANSWERS ... REAL ANSWERS.

I HAVE NOT SAID IT WOULD BE EASY.

I HAVE NOT SAID WE COULD SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS OVERNIGHT.
BUT I HAVE MADE MY CASE BEFORE YOU HONESTLY AND OPENLY.

I TRUST THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ... AND THEY KNOW THEY CAN TRUST
ME.

I BELIEVE THIS NATION ... AND ITS PEOPLE ... ARE THE GREATEST
IN THE WORLD.

I BELIEVE OUR DEMOCRACY IS THE STRONGEST SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT
EVER DEvised BY THE HAND OF MAN.

I BELIEVE W E HAVE A BRILLIANT FUTURE AS ONE PEOPLE.

"WHO SHALL SPEAK FOR THE PEOPLE?" CARL SANDBURG ASKED.

AND I ANSWER: I SHALL.

I ASK YOUR HELP.

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