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Introduction
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V.P.

my last act -
President's Salary
\$100,000
200,000

then V.P. Salary up!

⊗ Ready to accept the Lord
Removes the Deed

Rev in my condition don't in
no position to be
offending anyone!

What gonna to do - Aunt Dore,
Get!

Feb 12

Dinner in
of Walter Burke
United
St. Workers

Rhne McNamara

Joe Checota

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Mr Jim Wendham + wife -

000128 Father Raynor

President Johnny Schmiedt (Gertrude)
Walter Burke (Aletta)

What Gang to DO!
"I ain't Dom (you)"

REMARKS

Bett McLanahan Mary Marianne
Henry Maier
Sam Nelson

Teaching

THE HONORABLE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

WALTER BURKE TESTIMONIAL DINNER

J. W. Abel
Joe Maloney

Glenn Peterson

FEBRUARY 12, 1969

MILWAUKEE,

WISCONSIN

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Bronson LaFollette

Testify

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because this is a testimonial dinner -- for Walter Burke.

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to be but I can qualify on several scores.

✓ Good Politician

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politician and I think I know something about politics.

Ultimate
Victory

Any man who can celebrate his victory in an election before
the votes are counted obviously knows the name of the game.

✓ Henry Maier - 84% - Confident - He talks like a winner!

✓ Lincoln Emancipation!

ⓧ Ready to Accept the Lead - Renounce the Devil -

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So, Walter, let me be among the first to congratulate you on your victory in yesterday's election.

You demonstrated the value of solid labor support.

In the second place, I can testify that Walter Burke has had a profound influence on presidential elections in the United States. After all, he was one of my staunch supporters back in the spring of 1960 when John F. Kennedy and I campaigned in this state in the presidential primaries that year.

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Trouble Maker

Solid
Labor
Support

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#4 L There is a fourth area I would like to comment on. 25
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Peoples
Lobby

~~I believe~~, a genuine "people's lobby." The measures

~~they support~~ it ~~and I'm frank to tell you we wouldn't~~ medicare - aid to educ -

conservation - Housing - urban have medicare in the United States today if it hadn't been

development ~~for the support they gave me in that fight~~ ... are measures

for the benefit of all people, not just the members of

their organizations.

and

Lincoln's Birth
repeal

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of the struggle to achieve racial justice in this country.

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on Civil Rights celebrated its 20th anniversary -- two

decades of relentless effort in Congress and in the

executive departments to build a legal structure which

recognizes only one citizenship.

- 1/2 Slave - 1/2 Free
no!

FBI
Emancipation

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In these years we have turned this country around from a time when law and government supported segregation and discrimination to a time when law and government oppose segregation and discrimination.

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These are laws designed to free, emancipate millions from the bondage of Prejudice + fear!

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↳ To the extent we push forward now, with visible progress in rebuilding our neighborhoods, rescuing our schools, providing gainful employment and a decent place to live for every American -- to the extent justice becomes a reality in peoples' lives, as well as a legal fact -- we will silence and defeat those who appeal only to hate, bigotry and violence.

↳ We need not -- and must not -- underestimate the tremendous resources which this nation can bring to the unfinished agenda of human rights.

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like Walter Burke and the United Steelworkers of America --
will again be found at the forefront of this struggle.

a job to do -

2 D R's # # # 2^d Bill of Rts (1934)

"A Second Bill of Rts under which a new basis of
security & prosperity can be established for all -
regardless of status, race or color:

among these are:

- (1) RT to a useful + remunerative job
- (2) RT to earn enough to provide
adequate food, shelter, clothing + Recreation
- (3) RT of every family to a decent home
- (4) RT to adequate medical care and the
opportunity to achieve + enjoy good health
- (5) RT to adequate protection from the
economic fears of old age, sickness,
accident, & unemployment
- (6) RT to a good education.

25 years have passed - great progress

(X) Despite Depression wars, + But so much
to do (Churchill Story) 000135

Millions the Victims of the Slavery
Tyranny of Poverty -
the Poverty of the Spirit
Poverty of the Mind
Poverty of the Power

Poor in Spirit, in Body, in Mind,
in Skills, in environment, in
the necessities of life.

Our job - our Challenge -
massive mobilization of Private
+ Public Resources to overcome
our ~~defenses~~ defenses -

"We Shall overcome"

- Urban Blight + Slums
- Poor + inadequate School + Care
- Disease ~~and~~
- Hunger
- Despair

Remarks
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today if it hadn't been for the support they gave me in that fight ... are measures for the benefit of all people, not just the members of their organizations.

And the measures and actions they oppose are things that they believe will be harmful to the general public, not just the members of their organizations.

That's not something you can say about most of the lobbies that operate in Washington today.

It's people like Walter Burke and the men associated with him in the Steelworkers and in the American labor movement that give it that character... and we need more of them.

We need them in the labor movement and we need them in the Democratic party. George Meany and Abe and Walter can take care of the labor movement. I intend to see that we get more of their kind of people working with us in the Democratic party.

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