

REMARKS BY SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

Young Democrats of North Carolina

Charlotte, North Carolina

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And part of the issue of trust and confidence is the Nixon administration's attitude toward basic guarantees of free speech as embodied in the First Amendment of the Constitution.

I find the Nixon administration's record on the First Amendment unacceptable.

In the last three years this administration has not been willing to respond to the voices of dissent in this country. And it has turned its back on the First Amendment's explicit guarantee of freedom of speech and freedom of press.

Government has an important role in protecting the freedom of its citizens.

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Let me cite you some examples:

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My distinguished colleague in the Senate and your fine Senator, Sam Ervin, has conducted extensive hearings on freedom of the press.

I understand that reporters have told him that this net of subpoenas threatens their ability to gather information and inform the public.

The last example I want to cite is that of the CBS news reporter, Daniel Schorr. He discovered he was being investigated by the FBI after conscientiously reporting on the Administration's game plan.

In response to the charge of intimidation, the Nixon administration said the investigation was in connection with its consideration of Mr. Schorr for a top-level federal job.

Mr. Schorr never was told he was under consideration for any position, and no administration official has described the nature of the alleged "job."

In defense of its policies and postures the Nixon administration has been willing to threaten freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

I believe the tactics they have used show their lack of commitment and sensitivity to the traditional guarantees of freedom on which we all rely.

If Nixon Republicanism means an attack on the First Amendment of the Constitution, I feel certain that the people will strongly reject this administration in November.

If Nixon Republicanism means that peaceful dissent in America is a privilege instead of a right, then our freedoms have been seriously eroded.

Freedom must be protected. I believe that its principle protectors must be people like yourselves -- concerned and active community leaders.

When free speech is threatened, when a free press is threatened, when a government is not responsive to criticism -- then freedom is in jeopardy.

A famous protector of freedom, Judge Learned Hand said:

"I often wonder whether we do not rest our hopes too much upon constitutions, upon laws, and upon courts. These are false hopes; believe me, these are false hopes. Liberty lies in the hearts of men and women; when it dies there, no constitution, no law, no court can save it; no law, no court can even do much to help it. While it lies there it needs no constitution, no law, no court to save it."

I believe that one of the great issues of 1972 is freedom.

And it's up to you to see that those who cherish it are chosen to lead this great nation.

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YOUNG DEMOCRATIC CLUBS OF NORTH CAROLINA

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

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For Charlotte

Bob Allen Nat Pres
~~John Church State Ch~~

L President Winberry, President-Elect Powell, Chairman Church,
distinguished head table guests, my old YDC buddies, George Bruce,
Charlie Smith and

Pete Ellington,
Sam Poole, distinguished candidates for national, state, and local office,

Wonderful Democrats all! it's good to be home! Good to be Home!

L I have a very special and warm place in my heart for Charlotte.

L It was here in early October of 1968 that our campaign, our crusade to save
the country from Nixon, really got off the ground. And it got off the

ground here because the people of Charlotte and people from the surrounding

area infused our campaign with a remarkable vitality. And, of course,

those who did the lion's share of that work and provided the lion's share

of that enthusiasm are the Young Democrats of North Carolina.

L As you know, if we had had just a very few more days, we would

have won that campaign. In other words, we got to Charlotte a week late!

I decided not to make that mistake this year. I decided to come see the

North Carolina YDC in the city of Charlotte in January.

(X) Y.D.s - first in the country, largest in
the country, have been honored
as the top Y.D. club for 1971

(X) Register - Vote!

I have a
special place
in my heart
for
two
weeks

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IT'S GREAT TO BE HERE WITH SO MANY OF MY GOOD FRIENDS

FROM CHARLOTTE,

It began here!

I WILL NEVER FORGET THE RECEPTION AND SUPPORT THE

PEOPLE OF CHARLOTTE GAVE TO ME ON OCTOBER 5, 1968,

Oct 5, 1969

I CAN TRUTHFULLY SAY THAT MY CAMPAIGN TURNED AROUND

IN CHARLOTTE ON THAT DAY,

Coming to Charlotte

AND AS YOU CAN SEE, I'M COMING TO CHARLOTTE A LOT

*Earlier
this
time*

EARLIER THIS YEAR!

I HAVE A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART FOR TAR HEELS,

SO MANY FROM THIS STATE WERE INVOLVED IN MY CAMPAIGN

IN 1968 -- TERRY SANFORD, SAM POOLE, CHARLIE SMITH, PETE ELLINGTON, *Bill Cray*

C.C. Hope, Fredrick H. H. Jones,

GEORGE BREECE -- JUST TO NAME A FEW.

Bert Bennett, Fred Ashford

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AND THE YD'S OF THIS STATE HAVE A NATIONAL REPUTATION

FOR HARD AND EFFECTIVE WORK ON BEHALF OF LOCAL AND NATIONAL

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FOR 1971 AMPLY DEMONSTRATES,

TOP
Y.D. club
1971

(X)

I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING WITH MANY OF YOU AT

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IN HOT SPRINGS.

— HOT SPRINGS

IT WILL BE A LONG TIME BEFORE I FORGET THAT EVENING.

IT WAS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF 1971 FOR ME.

h AT HOT SPRINGS I TALKED ABOUT THE SIX BROKEN PROMISES

OF THE REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION. I DISCUSSED HOW THE MOST

IMPORTANT PROMISES OF PEACE, PROSPERITY AND UNITY HAD BEEN BROKEN.

h THESE BROKEN PROMISES HAVE MEANT THAT MILLIONS OF

AMERICANS HAVE LOST TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN THEIR GOVERNMENT.

X Trust + Confidence

Promises

- (1) War
- (2) inflation & unemployment
- (3) crime
- (4) Dollar
- (5) Open Society
- Bringing us together

6 Broken Promises

Lost Confidence

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TRUST AND CONFIDENCE ARE THE MAIN INGREDIENTS OF WHAT

I BELIEVE THIS COUNTRY MUST HAVE: A NEW PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN

GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER TO SOLVE THE GREAT

PROBLEMS THAT THIS NATION FACES.

ONE OF THE GREAT ISSUES OF THIS CAMPAIGN YEAR IS

State of Union - Reply

HOW TO GET CREDIBILITY AND TRUST BACK IN GOVERNMENT.

AND ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO DO THIS IS TO GET THE

REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION OUT OF WASHINGTON.

Campaign 1972

WE CAN AND WE MUST DO THIS.

Now a work about
Republican Strategy -

IT'S CLEAR TO ME THAT THOSE WHO ARE DEVISING CAMPAIGN

STRATEGY FOR THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION ARE PLANNING TO TRY TO GET

AS MUCH DISTANCE AS POSSIBLE BETWEEN THE MAN WHO IS RUNNING AND

HIS IDENTIFICATION AS LEADER OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

State of
Union

B. Patten
+ attack campaign

- Jobs

- Farmers

- cities

- congress

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Oct 5, 1968 - Charlotte -
my campaign come alive!
in Charlotte earlier
- too you -

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BUT I WANT TO TELL ALL OF YOU TODAY THAT RICHARD NIXON

CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM THE REPUBLICAN PARTY. !

NO MATTER HOW HARD HE TRIES, NO MATTER HOW MANY MILLIONS

HE WILL SPEND IN HIS ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN, RICHARD NIXON IS A

REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT, AND HE CAN'T ESCAPE THE FACT. !

AS HARD AS HE TRIES, HE WILL BE UNABLE TO DIVORCE HIMSELF

FROM A PARTY THAT NARROWLY VIEWS THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND HASN'T

SHOWN THAT IT CARES ABOUT THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE -- YOUNG AND OLD,

BLACK AND WHITE, NORTH AND SOUTH.

Tomorrow -
Future

IN THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY, CONGRESSMAN JOHN ASHBROOK,

A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENT'S OWN PARTY IS CHALLENGING HIM ON THE

GROUNDS THAT MR. NIXON HAS VIOLATED THE HISTORIC TRADITIONS OF THE

REPUBLICAN PARTY.

*But I want to
defend the President*

*Repub
President*

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MR. ASHBROOK IS BEING UNFAIR WITH MR. NIXON.

L NIXON AND THE NIXON REPUBLICANS ARE PURSUING THE VERY

SAME POLICIES THEY HAVE ALWAYS PURSUED.

L ^{*neglecting*} THEY ARE ~~AGAINST~~ THE WORKING FAMILY, ~~AGAINST~~ THE
INVOLVEMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT, ^{*neglect of*} ~~AGAINST~~ THE SENIOR
CITIZEN, ~~AGAINST~~ THE FARMER, ~~AGAINST~~ THE SMALL BUSINESSMAN.

and THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS EVEN PRODUCED A TRADITIONAL
REPUBLICAN RECESSION WHICH HAS AFFECTED MILLIONS OF AMERICANS.

-- MORE THAN FIVE MILLION OF OUR FELLOW CITIZENS ARE

OUT OF WORK.

-- THE BACK OF INFLATION HAS NOT BEEN BROKEN.

-- INTEREST RATES REACHED THEIR HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE

THE CIVIL WAR DURING THIS ADMINISTRATION.

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I BELIEVE ALL OF US SHOULD CORRECT MR. ASHBROOK AND TELL HIM THAT WE'RE WITNESSING ANOTHER DOSE OF THAT OLD TIME, BIG BUSINESS, SPECIAL INTEREST REPUBLICANISM.

AND AFTER THREE YEARS OF NIXON REPUBLICANISM, I FIND THAT THE MOST DISTURBING TREND IN OUR COUNTRY TODAY IS A WIDESPREAD FEELING OF STAGNATION: PEOPLE BELIEVE THINGS CAN'T BE DONE AND THEIR PROBLEMS CAN'T BE SOLVED.

I KNOW THAT WE CAN SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS.

I KNOW THAT THE YOUNG DEMOCRATS OF NORTH CAROLINA CLEARLY SEE THEIR RESPONSIBILITY IN 1972: TO RETURN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO POWER SO THAT WE WILL MOVE THIS COUNTRY AHEAD IN PEACE AND WITH PROSPERITY.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SENATOR

FROM: DAN

SUBJECT: CHARLOTTE YD SPEECH

In view of our discussion the other night, I have dropped the free speech and free press theme from this audience and have given you a hard hitting Democratic speech on which you can expand.

The theme in the speech: that Richard Nixon can't run away from the Republican Party is a good one, I think.

We will get back to the other theme in the original text sometime in the very near future before a more appropriate audience.

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As hard as he tries he will be unable to divorce himself from a party that narrowly views the public interest and hasn't shown that it cares about the needs of people--young and old, black and white, north and south.

^{the} ^{primary}
 In New Hampshire, Congressman John Ashbrook, a member of the President's own party is challenging him on the grounds that Mr. Nixon has violated the historic traditions of the Republican Party.

Mr. Ashbrook is being unfair with Mr. Nixon.

Nixon and the Nixon republicans are pursuing the very same policies they have always pursued.

They are against the working family, against the involvement of young people in government, against the senior citizen, against the farmer, against the small businessman.

This Administration has even produced a traditional Republican recession which has affected millions of Americans.

--More than five million of our fellow citizens are out of work.

--The back of inflation has not been broken.

--^{est}Interest rates reached their highest level since the Civil War during this Administration.

I believe all of us should correct Mr. Ashbrook and tell him that we're witnessing another dose of that old time, big business, special interest Republicanism.

And after three years of Nixon Republicanism, I find that the most disturbing trend in our country today is a widespread feeling of stagnation: people believe things can't be done and their problems can't be solved.

I know that we can solve our problems.

I know that the Young Democrats of North Carolina clearly see their responsibility in 1972: to return the Democratic Party to power so that we will move this country ahead in peace and with prosperity.



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