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DEMOCRATIC CLUB DINNER

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Whose America? "The People, Yes!" Earl Sandberg

"We the People"

Real Strength - Farmers, Workers  
Students, Business.

2DR - Test of our Progress -

Let's see -

our objective 000871

riton cut in '72

WHAT IS THE OVERRIDING ISSUE OF 1972? WHAT IS REALLY AT  
STAKE IN THIS COMING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION?

whose America

THE ISSUE IS CLEAR: WHOSE AMERICA IS THIS? AND NOTHING

LESS THAN THE FUTURE OF OUR BELOVED COUNTRY IS AT STAKE IN 1972.

Is THIS THE AMERICA OF THE TWO HUNDRED AND TEN MILLION PEOPLE

WHO LIVE AND WORK HERE -- THE FARMERS, THE MECHANICS, THE TRUCK

DRIVERS, THE TEACHERS, THE SMALL BUSINESSMEN?

OR IS THIS THE AMERICA OF A PROSPEROUS AND PRIVILEGED FEW,  
OF A SELF-APPOINTED AND SELF-PERPETUATING ELITE?

Is THIS THE AMERICA OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BUILT IT WITH  
THEIR OWN HEARTS AND HANDS?

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OR IS IT AN AMERICA FOR THOSE WHO LIVE OFF THE SWEAT OF  
~~OTHER MEN'S BROWS, THE FAT CATS WHO SKIM THE CREAM?~~

WE DEMOCRATS HAVE OUR ANSWER, AND YOU KNOW IT WELL.

IT IS THE ANSWER OF FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT, IT IS THE ANSWER  
 OF HARRY TRUMAN, OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, OF LYNDON JOHNSON.

IT IS THE ANSWER OF PRESIDENTS WHO CARED ABOUT PEOPLE  
 AND CARED DEEPLY.

Carl! F.D.R.  
a Heart

LIKE THE POET CARL SANDBURG, THEY SAID: "THE PEOPLE, YES!"

YES, TO THEM IT <sup>is</sup> ~~was~~ THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA WHO COUNT. THEY

SAW IN OUR COUNTRY'S PEOPLE -- WHETHER FARMERS, WORKERS, OR

BUSINESSMEN -- ITS REAL STRENGTH.

BUT NOT THE NIXON REPUBLICANS.

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THEIRS IS THE PARTY OF PRIVILEGE, OF THE FAVORED FEW, OF  
THE RICH AND THE POWERFUL.

WITH THEM, TOO OFTEN THE HIGH AND THE MIGHTY DINE AT THE  
HEAD TABLE OF GOVERNMENT, BUT THE REST MUST SCRAMBLE FOR THE  
CRUMBS.

WHAT'S GOOD FOR BIG BUSINESS, THEY SAY, IS GOOD FOR AMERICA!

THAT'S THE STRAIGHT GOP GOSPEL, NO MATTER HOW MADISON AVENUE  
DRESSES IT UP.

AND ITS PREACHER IS PRESIDENT NIXON HIMSELF.

IT IS HE WHO <sup>has</sup> ~~has~~ LADLED OUT TAX BREAKS TO THE WEALTHY

RUNNING INTO THE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS -- WHILE ORDINARY AMERICANS

SHOULDER AN EVER-MOUNTING TAX BURDEN.

*It is he who talks of a Federal Safety-  
inequitable & cost of living*

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It was the Rep. President who had  
the Economic Game Plan - that -  
Intend - Inflation - Unemployment  
Recession

AND WHAT IS THE RESULT OF THIS REPUBLICAN CREED?

MORE THAN FIVE MILLION OF OUR FELLOW CITIZENS ARE OUT OF

WORK -- VICTIMS OF THE PRESIDENT'S SO-CALLED ECONOMIC "GAME PLAN."

THESE MILLIONS OF AMERICANS HAVE SEEN THE BOTTOM DROP OUT

OF THEIR LIVES.

AND NO ELEMENT OF OUR WORKING FORCE HAS BEEN SPARED -- FROM

FILE CLERK TO MANAGER, FROM MEN AND WOMEN ON THE ASSEMBLY LINES

TO SKILLED ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS.

MANY ARE DAZED AND BEWILDERED, STILL NOT COMPREHENDING WHAT

HAS HIT THEM.

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SOME -- MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE PAID THEIR OWN WAY ALL THEIR  
LIVES -- HAVE BEEN FORCED TO RESORT TO WELFARE.

THEY WANT TO WORK, NOT WELFARE, ~~AND SO DO THE TAXPAYERS.~~

*thomas!!  
A wolf!!*

THEY ARE VICTIMS OF A GOVERNMENT, OF A POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY,  
OF A PRESIDENT WHO PUTS ECONOMIC DOGMA AND POLITICAL EXPEDIENCY

AHEAD OF PEOPLE.

*Travel*

AS FAR AS I CAN SEE, THE PRESIDENT'S GREAT COMPELLING  
AMBITION IS TO PLAY A ROLE OF HIGH DOGMA ON THE GLOBAL STAGE.

BUT WHILE HE DASHES FROM ONE COUNTRY TO ANOTHER THE PROBLEMS  
OF THIS NATION FESTER AND MULTIPLY,

*- Keep Biscayne  
- San Clemente*

THAT IS NEGLECT -- PURE AND SIMPLE -- AND NOT BENIGN

NEGLECT, EITHER.

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\ OUR CITIES DECAY \ OUR STREETS ARE NOT SAFE \ THE COST OF  
 LIVING CLIMBS EVER HIGHER \ THE USE OF DRUGS SPREADS LIKE A ~~CANCER~~  
 CANCER, AND, MEANWHILE, NOBODY AT THE WHITE HOUSE SEEMS TO BE  
 MINDING THE STORE. !

*Where is the President who  
 promised to stop inflation  
 -- no unemployment.*

\ WHERE IS THE PRESIDENT WHO PROMISED TO BRING US TOGETHER?  
 1 - 4 14 to Stop Crime  
 WHERE IS THE PRESIDENT WHO PROMISED TO END THE WAR?

\ ABOVE ALL, WHERE IS THE VISION OF WHAT AMERICA COULD  
 MEAN -- AND SHOULD MEAN -- NOT ONLY TO ITS OWN PEOPLE, BUT TO  
ALL THE WORLD?

WHERE IS THE VISION THAT MADE OUR FLAG A BEACON OF HOPE  
 TO DEPRIVED PEOPLE EVERYWHERE?

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AS THE BIBLE WARNS US: "WHERE THERE IS NO VISION, THE  
PEOPLE PERISH."

SO, I REPEAT: WHOSE AMERICA IS THIS?

IT MUST BE, IT SHALL BE, THE AMERICA OF EVERY MAN AND  
WOMAN WHO LIVES AND LABORS IN IT.

AND I PROMISE THAT NEITHER I NOR ANY OTHER GOOD DEMOCRAT  
SHALL REST THIS YEAR OF DECISION UNTIL WE ONCE MORE MAKE IT  
PRECISELY THAT.

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