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HUMPHREY SEEKS FURTHER LIMIT TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING;
PROPOSES PUBLIC FINANCING OF FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

MIAMI, Fla., March 7 -- Senator Hubert H. Humphrey called today for greater limitations on campaign spending and suggested public financing of Federal election campaigns.

In a speech before the Tiger Bay Club here, Humphrey said that "the greatest barrier to political opportunity in this nation is money."

"I know what it means to see a political candidate without the resources to carry on a campaign. It means that a man or woman with ideas who wants to hold elective office is prevented from having a fair chance. It means that access to public office is too often limited to the wealthy. And government suffers from this limited access."

Humphrey quoted statistics showing the skyrocketing campaign costs:

-- In 1952, campaigning for elective office cost a total \$140 million. Twenty years later, in 1972, the projected total cost is \$400 million.

-- It can cost \$100,000 for a seat in the House of Representatives and a successful campaign for a Senate seat can cost \$2 million.

-- In 1968 the Republican Party spent over \$30 million to elect Richard Nixon.

"We must have public financing of all Federal elections," Humphrey stated.

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Praising the Democratic party for its leadership in this area, Humphrey noted that we now have an election spending limitation law -- sponsored by Democrats and reluctantly signed by a Republican President. Going a step further, "Five Democratic Presidential candidates, myself included, have voluntarily agreed to precise spending limits during the primaries," Humphrey said.

"But this is not enough to guarantee that your sons and daughters can grow up to be President. Democrats made a start last year with the \$1 check-off system, but the President objected. He does not agree with the principle of one man, one vote, one dollar, but I do."

Humphrey further stated that "public financing of Federal elections means that the Presidency will not be out of the reach of all American citizens, that the cost of campaigning will be stabilized and that our citizens will feel a part of the process rather than being shut out."

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REMARKS BY SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

TIGER BAY CLUB

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~~Mayor Kennedy~~
~~Chuck Hall~~
~~Ted Cohen~~

~~Ken O'Donnell~~
~~James Reutz~~

IT'S A GREAT PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH SO MANY

GOOD FRIENDS. ~~I HAVE A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART FOR~~

~~THE TIGER BAY CLUB.~~

~~Hal Bergida~~
~~James Reutz~~

~~SO MANY OF ITS FOUNDING MEMBERS AND ITS PRESENT~~

~~DIRECTORS--MEN LIKE DAVE KENNEDY, BOB SHEVIN, MAURICE FERRE,~~

~~J. L. PLUMMER, STEVE ROSS AND PAT TORNILLO--ARE PLAYING~~

~~IMPORTANT ROLES IN MY CAMPAIGN HERE IN FLORIDA AND~~

~~NATIONALLY.~~

~~SINCE I SEE FEMALE FACES IN THE AUDIENCE I JUST WANT~~

~~TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT I WANT TO GO ON RECORD IN FAVOR~~

~~OF ADMITTING WOMEN TO THE TIGER BAY CLUB.~~

I'M SURE THAT YOU ALL ARE WELL AWARE THAT THERE
WILL BE WOMEN IN MY CABINET NEXT JANUARY, AND IF HUMPHREY
CAN DO THIS AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, YOU CAN
BRING THE TWENTIETH CENTURY TO THE TIGER BAY CLUB,
STEVE ROSS TOLD ME HE TRIED TO CHANGE YOUR BY-LAWS TO PERMIT
FEMALE MEMBERSHIP--BUT YOU BEAT HIM.

THIS IS A POLITICAL CLUE, AND TODAY I'M GOING TO TALK
SOME POLITICS.

WHAT'S THE MAIN ISSUE IN 1972?

L RICHARD NIXON AND THE RECORD OF HIS REPUBLICAN
ADMINISTRATION.

IT'S BEEN RICHARD NIXON'S WHITE HOUSE FOR ⁴⁵38 MONTHS
AND THE ECONOMY IS IN *deep trouble*.

L IT'S BEEN RICHARD NIXON'S WHITE HOUSE FOR ⁴⁵38 MONTHS
AND CRIME HAS BEEN INCREASING.

IT'S BEEN RICHARD NIXON'S WHITE HOUSE FOR ⁴⁵38 MONTHS
AND WE REMAIN A DIVIDED PEOPLE.

*It's been Richard Nixon's Admin for
35 months - war still on -*

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L IT'S BEEN RICHARD NIXON'S WHITE HOUSE FOR 38 MONTHS

AND WE'VE HAD TOO MANY PROMISES, TOO MANY PRESS RELEASES,

*too much
TV. Prim
Time*

TOO MUCH PUBLICITY AND TOO FEW PROGRAMS. *tho*

LAST WEEK, CAMPAIGN MANAGER JOHN MITCHELL SAID THE
ISSUE OF THE CAMPAIGN WAS "PRESIDENT NIXON AND THE RECORD
OF HIS ADMINISTRATION."

L THAT'S FAIR.!

L I ACCEPT THAT CHALLENGE.

WHAT IS THE NIXON RECORD?

L IT'S A RECORD THAT HAS SAID "NO" TIME AND TIME AGAIN

TO THE NEEDS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE,

over \$40 Billion - Fed Revenues
over \$9 Billion in local
+ state revenues

WHAT'S THE NIXON ECONOMIC RECORD?

--OVER FIVE ⁰⁰¹²⁷¹ MILLION UNEMPLOYED. - *Hidden Unemployment 1.7 million*
underemployed - 37.5 hr

--PRICES INCREASING FIVE AND 6 PERCENT A YEAR. - *3 years 15%*

--A DEVALUED DOLLAR. -

over 90 Billion
this for

--A \$40 BILLION BUDGET DEFICIT IN 1971, A \$23 BILLION

DEFICIT IN 1970 AND A PROJECTED DEFICIT OF \$30 FOR NEXT YEAR.

over 3 Billion
--THE GREATEST BALANCE OF TRADE DEFICIT IN THIS CENTURY.

WE ARE IMPORTING MORE THAN WE ARE EXPORTING AND AMERICAN

WORKERS ARE FEELING THIS COMPETITION.

Balance of Payments Deficit \$30. Billion

--THE HIGHEST INTEREST RATES SINCE THE CIVIL WAR.

(1969-70-71)

--~~41.5~~ BILLION IN LOST PRODUCTION FROM IDLE PLANTS.

AND WHILE UNEMPLOYMENT HAS RISEN TO ALARMING AND

TRAGIC LEVELS, THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS REFUSED TO SPEND

MORE THAN \$10 BILLION IN JOB-CREATING MONEY ALREADY

EARMARKED FOR SPENDING BY THE CONGRESS. IN WASHINGTON,

WE CALL THIS MONEY WHICH IS JUST SITTING IDLE IN BANKS,

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"IMPOUNDED FUNDS."

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BUT LITTLE BY LITTLE THE MONEY IS BEING RELEASED BY
THE ADMINISTRATION AT THE RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME FOR
MAXIMUM POLITICAL IMPACT.

TODAY, I CHARGE THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION OF USING THE
PUBLIC TREASURY--THE TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES--FOR
PERSONAL POLITICAL ADVANTAGE.

THE ECONOMIC RECORD OF THIS ADMINISTRATION IS LIKE
A ROLLER COASTER AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE BEING GIVEN
A RIDE.

YOU TALK ABOUT UPPERS AND DOWNERS IN DRUGS--WELL, I'M
A PHARMACIST AND I CAN TELL YOU ABOUT THE HARMFUL EFFECTS
OF THESE PILLS.

WE HAVE UPPERS AND DOWNERS IN OUR MISMANAGED ECONOMY.

PROFITS ARE UP--WAGES ARE DOWN.

INFLATION IS UP--EARNING POWER IS DOWN.

UNEMPLOYMENT IS UP--JOB OPPORTUNITIES DOWN.

TRADE DEFICITS ARE UP--THE DOLLAR DOWN AND DEVALUED.

INTEREST RATES UP--INVESTMENTS DOWN.

BUDGET DEFICITS UP--TAXES ON BIG BUSINESS DOWN.

IMPORTS UP--EXPORTS DOWN.

THIS IS THE KIND OF ECONOMIC RECORD THAT SAYS "NO"

TO THE AMERICAN WORKER, THE HOUSEWIFE AND BUSINESSMAN.

Over Rents -

Gang up 8 to 14 %

over 50% Decentralized

~~Here again we~~

INSERT Page 7 Before Nixon
RECORD ON THE WAR

WHAT'S THE NIXON RECORD ON DEALING FAIRLY WITH ALL

SECTORS OF THE AMERICAN ECONOMY?

BIG BUSINESS GETS A 9 TO 1 ADVANTAGE IN TAX RELIEF

OVER THE WORKING MAN. -

no Tax Reform -

← THERE ARE NO CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PRICE

COMMISSION OR PAY BOARD. -

Against Cons. Protection Bill
C.P.A.

← AND TODAY A CLOUD OF SUSPICION AND DOUBT HANGS OVER

THE HEAD OF THIS ADMINISTRATION AS A RESULT OF ALLEGED

POLITICAL DEALINGS WITH A GIANT INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION.

← IS THIS THE WAY TO BE FAIR AND TO MAKE POLICY IN THE

PUBLIC INTEREST?

IS THIS THE WAY GOVERNMENT SHOULD DEAL WITH BIG

BUSINESS?

I wrote
to Eastland
Feb 18th

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WE NEED AN END TO CLOSED DOOR POLITICS,

AND WE NEED AN END TO BIG BUSINESS FAVORITISM IN

WASHINGTON. — and its favoritism

AND WHAT'S THE NIXON RECORD ON THE WAR?

IN 1968 HE PROMISED US THAT HE HAD A SECRET PLAN

TO END THE WAR. — and in 6 months

TODAY, WE NEED THREE PLANS TO GET AMERICA OUT OF ASIA;

ONE FOR CAMBODIA, ONE FOR LAOS AND ONE FOR SOUTH VIETNAM.

THIS RECORD SAYS "NO" TO THE DESIRE OF AMERICANS FOR PEACE.

WHAT'S THE NIXON RECORD ON CRIME AND DRUG ABUSE?

HE PROMISED US HE WOULD REDUCE CRIME, MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS
SAFE AGAIN AND DECLARE AN ALL-OUT WAR ON DRUG ABUSE.

THE CRIME RATE INCREASED 12 PERCENT THE FIRST YEAR OF
HIS ADMINISTRATION AND 11.3 PERCENT THE SECOND.

YEAR AFTER YEAR THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION'S CRIME
BUDGETS HAVE ALWAYS BEEN HALF OF WHAT THE CONGRESS OFFERED.
THEY HAVE ASKED FOR HALF OF WHAT THE CONGRESS THOUGHT THEY
NEEDED TO WAGE WAR ON CRIME IN AMERICA.

AND HIS ALL-OUT OFFENSIVE ON DRUGS WAS NOT LAUNCHED
UNTIL THE END OF 1972 —

— miami not one of 13 cities chosen for
administration's 1st-impact Crime Program

Spending

* 170 million of 475 million
for clean air

* 60 " of \$400 million
for recycling

Fed Govt owes

* 1.5 Billion to cities for

- water & sewage
- no reimbursement

THIS RECORD SAYS "NO" TO AMERICANS WHO LIVE IN FEAR
AND WANT SAFETY. AND IT SAYS "NO" TO PARENTS WHO DON'T
WANT THEIR CHILDREN TO BECOME THE VICTIMS OF DOPE PUSHERS.

L WHAT'S THE NIXON RECORD ON THE ENVIRONMENT?

1969-
10 yr. Prog.

DESPITE THE PROMISES OF MORE AND BETTER, IT'S DELAY,

IT'S UNDERFUNDING, IT'S WEAK, AND IT MEANS THAT PRECIOUS

L TIME HAS BEEN LOST IN CLEANING OUR AIR, PROTECTING OUR LAND

AND STOPPING POLLUTION OF OUR RIVERS AND BAYS,

L THIS RECORD SAYS "NO" TO A STRUGGLE THAT DEMANDS STRONG
LEADERSHIP AND COURAGE.

WHAT'S THE NIXON RECORD ON ENDING POVERTY AND HUNGER
IN AMERICA?

agria - Income Down - Parity

in Foreclosure Hightower

- Soc Security

7% -

Congress 15-7.

No Elderly
Housing

- Cut Back on Medicare

cut Back on School Lunch /
" " on Food Stamp /

- Increase that deductible

- cut down on Days in Hosp

- no Rx drugs

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IN 1969, PRESIDENT NIXON PROMISED TO END HUNGER

IN AMERICA AND TODAY HUNGER AMONG THE POOR HAS RISEN SHARPLY
SINCE 1969.

THERE ARE CHILDREN IN AMERICA WHO ARE STILL HUNGRY

TODAY. —

AND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 10 YEARS THE NUMBER OF
AMERICANS LIVING IN POVERTY INCREASED BY ONE MILLION.

THIS IS A RECORD THAT SAYS "NO" TO OVER 30 YEARS OF
HUMANITARIAN AND SOCIAL PROGRESS.

AND IT'S THE SAME IN CIVIL RIGHTS, IN VOTING RIGHTS,
IN HOUSING AND IN HEALTH. IT'S A RECORD OF UNKEPT PROMISES.

AND IT'S A RECORD OF VETOES.

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A NIXON VETO OF BETTER HOSPITALS. — 1970 —

A NIXON VETO OF BETTER EDUCATION. — 1969-70

A NIXON VETO OF URBAN RENEWAL AND WATER SEWAGE PROJECTS. 1970

(medical manpower)

A NIXON VETO OF A PROGRAM TO GIVE US MORE DOCTORS. 1970

A NIXON VETO THAT WOULD GIVE JOBS AND TRAINING TO THE

UNEMPLOYED. *(Public Service - Dec 1970 - Comprehensive
- Man Power Act)*

A NIXON VETO OF AN ACCELERATED PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM. 1971

A NIXON VETO OF GREATLY NEEDED CHILD CARE. — 1972

THIS IS THE RECORD OF 38 MONTHS. THIS IS THE RECORD

RICHARD NIXON, SPIRO AGNEW AND JOHN MITCHELL MUST DEFEND.

THIS IS THE RECORD THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL NOT

LET THEM FORGET.

BUT THERE'S MORE THAN A BAD RECORD AT ISSUE TODAY.

AT ISSUE IS A COUNTRY ADRIFT, A COUNTRY WITHOUT
inspiration
LEADERSHIP, A COUNTRY WITHOUT PLANS FOR ITS FUTURE.!

PERHAPS THIS IS THE GREATEST TRAGEDY OF THE NIXON
ADMINISTRATION.

FOR WE ARE A GREAT NATION, WITH A GREAT PEOPLE AND
GREAT RESOURCES.

WE HAVE A JOB TO DO IN THIS NATION. IT'S RECONCILIATION
OF OUR DIFFERENCES, REBUILDING OF OUR SOCIETY AND REBIRTH
OF OUR SPIRIT.

~~Rebuild~~ - Go to work
- Take care of ourselves
- Inspire our people
- Build - create

Tiger Bay speech March 7, 1972

. . . . My thanks to Ted Cohn and the members of the Democratic Committee. It was good to see here my old friend, the distinguished participant in the Administration and the close confidante of President John Kennedy, Kenny O'Donnell. I don't know whether you realize it out here but Kenny, Kenneth O'Donnell has been working with me side by side traveling the length and breadth of this country to be of help in this campaign. We put together a great partnership in those days of the Presidency of John Kennedy. I worked closely with the President, I worked very close with Ken O'Donnell and today we are revitalizing that great partnership, and it is my hope in this campaign to be able to pick up that torch which fell from the hands of John Kennedy by the assassin's bullet and to pick up that torch once again and to help get America moving once again, to help brighten our lives, to help brighten this country. So to Janice, to her father, Maurice, to Hal Berdita, to all of those who are here, my thanks. This club has has some distinguished founding fathers and one of these days it will have some distinguished founding mothers. I see these female faces in the audiences and I want it very clear - I know this will be ^{the} a great controversy of the day. As a man in a certain office says, I want it crystal clear ^{that} ~~and~~ I go on record in favor of admitting women

to the Tiger Bay Club -- now how can you get in more trouble than that. I'm sure that you're all aware that there will be, as I've indicated, women in my Cabinet next January. There'll be American womanpower, woman talent in all levels of government and I believe we need to bring the twentieth century to clubs such as this. Steve Ross told me he tried to change your by-laws to admit females, but he suffered a temporary setback. So I'm here to carry on the campaign. That's issue No. 1 and whenever you're ready to change the bylaws, just put a footnote down there that says Humphrey caused some of this trouble.

Now this is a political problem and I'm here to give you a political message. I am going to talk some politics and I want to talk the straight politics of what I think a Democrat ought to be talking about. I don't think we Democrats ought to be talking about each other. I think we better recognize that there is an incumbent in the White House, that he has a powerful political machine, that he has almost total mastery and control over the media whenever he wants it. He snaps his fingers and it is there by the nature of his position -- not by necessarily the desire of the media. He can capture the headlines at any moment. He exercises control of a budget that represents 1/4 of the total gross national product

of this nation. He has tremendous power and tremendous influence upon events and developments of our country and the world over. So my appeal today as we come into the last week of this campaign amongst my fellow Democrats is let us remember just who is the opposition. Let us remember what this fight is all about. The primary is for the purpose of selecting someone who can carry the fight to the opposition. It is not for the purpose of destroying each other and I have yet to speak an unkind word about one of my fellow Democrats and I am not about to. I want to be a constructive fan in the Democratic party.

Now what's the ~~man~~ issue in 1972? I will tell you what it is. It is Richard Milhous, Nixon and the record of his Republican Administration and I am not going to permit him to disassociate himself from his heritage. A Republican Administration and his record is not only one of a President but a record of a candidate for Congress, a United States Senator, a Vice President and the President. The total record -- today I have concentrated for this particular occasion on the record of the Presidency but I ask this audience to be mindful of the other record because we are constantly having ~~the~~ it dished up to us as Democrats what we did back in 1948 or 1950 or 1960, and if my Republican opposition or anyone else who is to indulge in that kind of history, then we will start with 1946 and we will go right on through with the record of

the present incumbent of the White House.

It's been Richard Nixon's White House for better than 38 months and the economy is in deep trouble.

It's been Richard Nixon's White House for 38 months and the streets are not safe and crime has been increasing at a great rate.

It's been Richard Nixon's White House for 38 months and we are not a nation at peace with ourselves, we are a divided people.

It's been Richard Nixon's White House for 38 months and we are still at war -- a big war and a long one taking us longer to get out of a war than it did for us to defeat Hitler in the 40's.

It's been Richard Nixon's White House for 38 months and we have had too many promises, too many press releases -- the greatest core of public relations personnel ever accumulated in one Administration in the history of the world. One after another added to do what? To publicize and to propagandize, prime time television at his call -- too much publicity and too few results. What this nation needs is public service ^{not} ~~not~~ public relations.

Last week campaign manager John Mitchell said that the issue of the campaign was "President Nixon and the record of his Administration." John Mitchell has stated ~~that~~ it clearly. That is fair and I accept the challenge. Exactly as a great Democrat put it even more succinctly, "Let's

look at the record." And what is the Nixon record. It is a record that has said no time and again to the needs of the American people. A record of obstinacy, a record of stubbornness, a record of following policy and programs that were non-productive and leaving in their wake human waste and human tragedy. What's that Nixon economic record? Well ^{there are} ~~is~~ over 5 1/2 million registered today as unemployed. There are another 1,700,000 called the hidden unemployed; that have dropped out totally of the employment market because of no jobs. There ~~is~~ are 20,000,000 American forgotten -- the breadwinner, the members of the family. It is a short work week of 37 1/2 hours, not even 40 hours and no overtime, even though debts were contracted by the average working family on a minimum of a 40 hour week. It is prices increasing 5%, 15% in three years and going up at the rate of 4 1/2% now. It is the devalued dollar and do I recall my Republican friends talking about fiscal responsibility. How they drilled it into us for more than 25 30 40 years -- since the day of Franklin Roosevelt. The devalued dollar, American currency abroad, looked upon as a second rate currency. It's a 40 billion dollar budget deficit. \$23 billion dollars the year before and a projected over \$30 billion dollar deficit for the coming year. It's \$90 billion dollars of budget deficit in three years. The greatest balance of trade deficit in the century.

Running at the rate of \$3 billion dollars loss.
We're importing much more than we're exporting.
And American workers are having their jobs taken
by the hundreds of thousands by foreign competition while
the Administration pontificates -- while the President
travels far and wide. ~~If-the--~~

It's a balance of ~~defieit~~ payments deficit of over
\$30 bill. dollars which is a hemorrhage of American
capital flowing out of America to other parts of the
world. I remind this audience in all that you listen
or read that when President Kennedy and Pres. Johnson
found a balance of payments deficit of \$3 and \$4
billion dollars the headlines of the American press
screamed at it that the dollar was in jeopardy, the
American economy in dire trouble. Today it's 10 times
greater and you have to look in the want ads section
to find it. ^{If} \$3 billion dollars balance of payments deficit
was serious in 1964, the \$30 billion is a calamity in
1972. ^{had} We ~~have~~ the highest interest rates in a century,
in the years 1969, 70 and 71. ^{at long last} Thank goodness they are
beginning to come down. But even as they come down, there
isn't the amount of investment that will keep this economy
moving. Our annual growth rate in the economy is 2.7.
It provides a minimum of 4 1/2% to provide any degree of
economic growth and stability in this country with an
increased labor force. \$150billion dollars in lost production

from idle plants, gone down the river never to be reclaimed. These are things people don't hear about. Production that is never to be used. A great industrial machine such as ours operating today as I speak to you at 72% of capacity. 72%, yet we hear from the President that we must be ready for competition. I'll say we better be ready. We were out-competed by the Soviet Union this last year in steel production. I remember Nikita Khrushchev sitting across the table from me in 1958 in the Kremlin when he pointed his finger at me and said "By the 1970s we will out-produce America in steel" and I laughed at him. I have to stand here today and say it happened under Richard Nixon's Administration. Not that it needed to be. We have the capacity to produce much more, but we didn't have the demand and while unemployment has risen to alarming rates, tragic levels, this Administration refuses to spend the more than \$10 billion dollars in job creating money already earmarked and appropriated by the Congress. \$10 billion. In Washington we call it, because we're fancier there, impounded funds. What it means is the President resists the will of the duly elected representatives of the American people. \$10 billion dollars but it won't be impounded long dear friends. Little by little, larger amount by larger amount is being released by this Administration starting in the month of February

with the tempo to pick up through the Month of October at the right time, in the right place, for the maximum political impact. And I charge ^{is} the Republican Administration with using the public treasury for personal, political, partisan purposes, and that's exactly what they're doing. In the meantime thousands of people have been injured, businesses have been lost, farms have been lost, jobs have been gone. The economic record of this Administration is like a roller coaster and the average American is being taken for a ride. You know in the drug culture of the day we talk about the uppers and the downers. Well I'm a pharmacist and I thought I'd just revert back to type for a moment here, and use the pharmaceutical analogy when it comes to the economy. We have the uppers and downers in our mismanaged economy. Profits for some of our huge banking institutions and large corporations are up, but wages are being held down. Inflation is up, earning power is down. Unemployment is up, job opportunities is down. Trade deficits are up, the dollar is down, ~~badly-down~~ and devalued. Interest rates have been ~~up~~ and investments down. Budget deficits are up, taxes on big business down. Imports are up, exports are down. That's what you call economic uppers and downers, and they leave you with the same effect as if you were taken ^{ing} the speed and the barbituates. The same way, a hangover, less than productive, less than healthy, and I say that this kind of economic record says no in capital letters to the American worker, the housewife,

and indeed the average businessman.

Now what's the record of the Nixon Administration on dealing fairly with all ~~sexes~~ sectors of the American economy? Well big business got a 9 to 1 advantage in tax relief over the average working family in the ~~last~~ tax bill that Mr. Nixon presented to the Congress. 9 to 1, and he ~~presennted~~ no tax reform. Let me point out in this audience that there are very few, if any, in fact there are no major oil companies in America that pay the same percentage of tax on their earnings as a person in this room that has earnings of \$15,000, wife and two children. Over 300 people in this country in the last year, I should say in 1969-70 with incomes of over \$200,000 didn't pay one dime of federal income tax. 56 of them were millionaires. One large oil company with over \$2billion dollars of gross income paid less percentage of income tax than a worker with 2 children and a wife paid on an \$8,000 income. The President of the United States doesn't lift his hand on that. He doesn't call that unjust. There are no consumer representatives on the Price Commission or the Pay Board. This Administration fights against consumer protection bill that would provide a Consumer Protection Agency to intervene on the side of the consumer. On rents going up at the rate of 14 to 18%, and

right here in this community of Miami I hear people that are the elderly speaking to me about their rent increases, but they don't get any increase in Social Security. They don't get any increase in income. Over 50% of all rents have been decontrolled and today a cloud of suspicion and doubt hangs over the head of this Administration as a result of alleged political dealings with ^a the giant international corporation. I do not know what all the facts are, and I shall make no judgment, except to say that ^{this} ~~just~~ once again breeds distrust and lack of confidence in government. I want the record to note here today that I wrote to the Senator from Mississippi, Senator Eastland, the chairman of the Judiciary Committee on the date of February 18 and asked for a thorough investigation of the gentleman who is recommended as the Attorney General, Mr. Kleindienst and I asked for a thorough investigation of the Justice Department's record as a part of that examination of the nominee, because I consider the Justice Department's Record, particularly in the field of law enforcement less than adequate and in many ways very weak. Now is this the way that the government should deal with the people? I think not, We need an end to the closed door politics. We need an end to big business favoritism in Washington. But mark my word when the Republican Administration takes over, one thing I'll say for them they remember their friends

and most of you don't belong in that category. They take care of their friends and they know who they are. The huge banks in this country have made more profit in the last 38 months than in any comparable period of American history, while the nation has suffered, while workers are unemployed, while people are in poverty, while the budget deficit soars.

I ask the Administration to explain to me how the monetary and fiscal policies of this Administration can justify the most unbelievable, incredible, mountainous profits that large finance has ever known in all of its history and at the same time an Administration that tolerates large unemployment and inflation that gnaws at the very vitals of this country.

Now what's the President's record in other areas. Today we need to take a look at the war, for example. I wasn't the one that made the promise that we'd get out in six months. I didn't say that I had a secret plan. He did, and he kept it secret. And he said that he'd get out in six months. I consider that statement in the campaign irresponsible, but he made it, and he won, but today we need three plans to get America out of Southeast Asia, one for Cambodia, one for Laos, and one for South Vietnam. The record is seems to me says no to the desire of Americans for prompt peace, settlement, of this involvement in Southeast Asia.

Now what's Mr. Nixon's record on crime and drug abuse? And May I say that in 1968 I thought somebody was running for sheriff instead of for President. I happen to be one that believes there are limits to what the Federal government can do. But Mr. Nixon made that issue. He and Mr. Wallace decided that the major issue was crime in the streets and that as President he could cure it. He made the promise. I'd been mayor of a city. I knew what the problems were. Mr. Nixon said give me the chance to be your President, and your streets will be safe. Well what's the record. He promised to reduce crime. The crime rates have increased 12 per cent the first year of ^{his} ~~this~~ Administration, 11 3/10s per cent the second year of his Administration, and have had no improvement according ^{to} the most recent information I could get this noon in the third year of his Administration. Year after year the Nixon Administration's crime budget -- what does he ask for to help this mayor, to help these local officials. We passed what we called the Safe Streets Act in the 1960s and under that Act we provided funds to help local government. President Nixon has asked only half what the Congress has been willing to authorize, and when he's asked for half he's spent less than what he's asked for. In the city of Miami, one of the cities that needed help almost beyond all others, a port of entry, a place where the narcotics traffic has been known for years to be prevalent, this city has been ignored by this Administration. Where

Where there were 13 major cities in the United States selected for special impact programs from the Department of Justice with the money provided by the Congress, Miami did not receive it, even though your city asked for it, and on the narcotics control program, exactly the same thing, and the President's all-out offensive on narcotics wasn't launched until January 1972. Despite the fact that it has been known it is a serious problem with epidemic proportions. So this record of the Nixon Administration says no to Americans who live in fear, and want some protection in their neighborhoods. And it says no to parents who don't want their children to become victims of dope pushers. I charge the Nixon Administration with callous indifference to ~~the~~ the drug traffic and narcotic problem for over three years when it was on the front burner of American public ~~concern~~. concern. And only within the last two months has there been any concerted effort. The Congressman from this district, Congressman Claude Pepper, conducted all sorts of hearings, gave the government all the evidence that it needed, and there was no need of new legislation, the reorganization power of the President to bring together the instruments of the Federal government for enforcement were there and all he needed was to ask for funds for rehabilitation. Might I add that the funds for rehabilitation have been forced down the Administration's throat by a Congress that shows more concern.

What's Mr. Nixon's record on the environment. Do you remember that great speech in the winter of 1969, or the spring I believe of '69 when he said we're going to wage a war upon pollution, a 10 year battle. \$1 bill. a year. \$10 billion dollars, and there were articles in U.S. News and Newsweek and Time and every radio and television and every newspaper. Mr. Nixon's great war on pollution. Well, let's take a look at the record. Congress authorized \$475 million dollars for clean air and the Administration asked for \$170 million. Congress authorized \$400 million dollars for industrial waste and recycling, the Administration asked for 60. The Administration fought the Water Quality Act. The Administration hasn't moved to help you here in this great state where fishing bays are destroyed, Scambia for example, literally gone. St. John's River polluted. Harbors and estuaries being polluted. The Administration talks of the anti-pollution war. I submit to you that they're giving those who fight this war blank cartridges ~~//about~~ about every other shot and you can't win it that way. It's been losing in cleaning up our air and protecting our land, stopping the pollution of our rivers and bays. I say this record is one of no to the needs of the ~~poor~~ people.

While I'm in a metropolitan area let me not ignore the plight of millions of farm people. The highest rate of ^{farm} mortgage

foreclosures in this Administration. The farmers being driven from the land, pushed into the cities. Their assets destroyed, their life savings gone. The prices of things that farmers need going up, their income going down. There are some mayors here, I just jotted a note down as I was checking with some of the research offices of the Federal government. The federal treasury of today owes the cities of America 1 1/2 billions of dollars for water sewage treatment plants, where the people have put up the money under a commitment from the Federal government that they would be reimbursed. This President and this Administration is saying no to those cities. In 1969 President Nixon promised to end hunger in America in a beautiful message ~~and~~ and hunger among the poor has risen sharply. There are children in this nation today that are still hungry and this Administration in this last year tried to cut the school lunch program, but out the school breakfast program, cut back on the food stamp program. Listen fellow Americans, with food piling up in our graineries, with food and perishable goods piling up in our refrigeration plants, this Administration tried to cut back on ~~the~~ school lunches, destroy school breakfasts for the needy and cut back on the food stamps for the elderly and for others. They didn't get by ~~with~~ with it because some of us cared. And I was one of them. I took this Administration on when they said we could feed a child for \$.35 a day, when a year before the

school lunch program averaged over \$.42 cents. We had to force it by law for the Administration to take action. Twenty-three thousand schools in America with no school lunch. Millions of our people underfed and an Administration that can close its eyes to that. For the first time in ten years the number of Americans living in poverty has increased, and increased by over 1,000,000. I say that this is a record of no, no, to over 30 years of our progress in the humanitarian and social fields, and it's been the same in civil rights. It's been the same in voting rights, an Administration that resists even universal voter registration, an Administration that wouldn't permit us to have a citizen be able to deduct ~~every~~ a \$1.00 from his taxes to put into the party of his choice to pay for campaign expenditures, when its campaign coffers are loaded. When we asked for the right as you paid your income tax to voluntarily ~~ask~~ ask for \$1. to be given to the party of your choice, the President threatens a veto. His leadership in the Congress threatens a filibuster as we say there ought to be universal voter registration, to make it easy for people to register when we know that 47,000,000 people in the last election did not vote, many of them could not.

It's the record my friends. I'll summarize it.

The-Nixon

A Nixon record of veto of better schools, of better hospitals I should say. He vetoed the expansion of the Hilburten Hospital Act, despite the fact that there are over 20% of the hospital beds of this country that are declared unfit for use.

A Nixon veto of better education, funds for elementary and secondary education in 1969 and 70 forcing the Congress to retreat.

A Nixon veto of urban renewal and water sewage projects in 1970.

A Nixon veto of a program to give us more general practitioners, the so-called Medical Manpower Bill, vetoed it and he talks about better health.

A Nixon veto that would give jobs and training to the unemployed, The Comprehensive Manpower Act, a veto, December 1970.

A Nixon veto of accelerated public works with 7,000 projects ready to go with the plans designed, with people unemployed, the President says no. He has a record of having more people on welfare than any time since Herbert Hoover. What a record, no wonder the costs of government skyrocketed. More and More people without work, more and more people underemployed. More and more people without a chance, and the cruelest veto of all for which I will not forgive him, the veto of ~~the~~ the Child Care and Development Act.

which would have provided for the first time decent child care and development for millions of our children, without regard to race creed or color or income, a cruel veto. One that was written with callous indifference.

Mr. President you're going to hear about this from me a long, long time. America cannot afford to let down its children. The President of the United States stab~~b~~led in the back the Child Development, Child Care Program, which we desperately needed, particularly by those families ~~which~~ who try to get off welfare, that want a job but don't want to leave their children in the ghetto don't want to leave them in the crime-ridden streets, but would prefer to have them cared for by competent personnel, and by the participation of parents and concerned citizens.

Now that's the record, but there's more than a bad record at issue here. It's an issue of a country adrift. A country without inspiration, and country without any plans for its future. No plans, no goals, no priorities, no mechanism for planning, no sense of the future, hardly living for the present. A politics of movement, a politics if you please of dazzling the public with sensation. That's not good enough, America needs the steady persevering, hard work, of dedicated, inspiring, hard working leadership, day in and day out. We're a great nation with many great assets and many great problems, and we're a great people with great resources and we need to put those people and those resources together. We need to put this country back to work

and not go around wringing our hands ~~by~~ ~~about~~ about its plight. Above all we need to love this country.

This country needs a President that will understand that the ~~greatest~~ contribution that America can make to the world is to get America on the straight and narrow course, to get America straightened out, to reconcile the differences amongst our people, to talk to people as if they're people, not on the basis of race or creed, or sex, but as people. To unite us as a people, and we need to have a President if you please that will understand that this nation can be rebuilt where it needs it, can be rehabilitated, that the resources are here, the talent is here. There is work to do. And we need to have a President that will ~~rea~~affirm what we're all about. And what are we about, every man, every woman, his or her chance to make something out of his or her life. Every man, every woman, every child, the chance to be somebody, to have an identity, and yet to find common cause with ones neighbor. Every man, every woman, every child, to have that opportunity to work, to live, to ~~be~~ educated, to be healthy, to share in the building of this country, and if we have that as our purpose, as our faith with faith in the people, We the People, there is no limit to what we can accomplish.

I say to you my friends, these are the issues as I see them and it is on this platform that I'm going the length

and breadth of this land, yes, to seek the Presidency which of course is my first objective, but whether I get it or not, I intend to use every talent that the good Lord has given me and that my life permits to lift the spirit of the American people so that once again our head is above the clouds, that we're looking to a broad and new horizon, that we see the good that's in us, and that we tap that great reservoir of good will that's here, to heal our wounds, to chart a new course and to open up new opportunities for millions and millions of people who are crying out for a chance to do something for their country. Thank you.



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