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SENATOR HUMPHREY WELCOMES IKE'S APPROVAL OF HIS ECONOMY GOALS

Senator Herbert H. Humphrey last night declared he "welcomed President Eisenhower's acceptance of the goal for an expanded \$500 billion dollar American economy which I have been calling for since last May".

Speaking at a series of DFL rallies, Senator Humphrey called attention to President Eisenhower's Monday night address and added:

"Once again, I'm glad to see that our President agrees with me.

"Some people called it idle dreaming, last May, when I called upon the nation to raise its sights toward a goal of an annual economy producing \$500 billion worth of goods and services.

"Repeatedly during this campaign I have stressed that goal, and pointed out the necessity of looking beyond the 'almost as good as last year' psychology if we ever expected to provide full employment in the face of our expanding economy and improved technology.

"Now, President Eisenhower confirms everything I've said. He's accepted my goal -- now it's time for the Administration to do something about achieving it rather than letting our economy drift for itself."

Senator Humphrey said it was "Far from the first time" he had been ahead of the Administration with ideas or suggestions later adopted as "Administration program".

"When I called for amending the Mutual Security Act to give the President authority to make greater use of America's food abundance, the Administration "borrowed" the idea for its own. They wouldn't accept the amendment in my name, but adopted one of their own -- word for word with my suggestion.

"Your Minnesota Senator first urged United States famine relief for Pakistan -- and three weeks later the Eisenhower Administration acted on this proposal.

"Your Minnesota Senator was first in urging that we make some of our surplus food available to East Germany to bolster the anti-Communist forces there after the riots of June 17 -- and again the Administration acted.

"Your Minnesota Senator was the first in proposing a resolution commending the East Germans for resisting Soviet oppression, and declaring the sense of Congress that free elections should be held throughout Germany toward unity of the German nation. Two weeks later the Senate passed a similar Administration measure introduced after my appeal.

"Your Minnesota Senator was first in urging a Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, later accepted and created by this Administration -- with myself as one of its members.

"It looks like instead of electing people to 'Back Ike', Minnesota should appreciate having a Senator on the job to 'lead Ike' down constructive paths", Senator Humphrey declared.

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America's recent foreign policy successes in Europe -- admission of German troops into a European army and the settlement of the Trieste dispute -- should "teach us a lesson", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey declared today in a convocation address to Columbia Heights High School.

"Years of patient work have gone into achieving these goals, and we have every right to rejoice over the latest success in reaching them", he declared. "But I hope we will also take to heart the lesson to be learned from them -- the lesson that they could be reached through American good offices but not through American blustering or American ultimatums".

"In fact, the darkest moments for both German rearmament and the Trieste dispute have come after American attempts to threat or bluff.

"The lesson to be drawn from solution of both these problems is that a long-term post-war policy has paid off: the policy of encouraging free peoples to solve their own problems of encouraging international cooperation and understanding. It has been a policy of creating the conditions within which our allies can get together and solve their own problems, rather than of pressing American 'initiative' upon our allies.

"During the past few weeks, we witnessed a return to this policy. We have at last abandoned extravagant claims for American 'initiative' and been content to exert our influence quietly by bolstering the forces for progress in Europe."

One reason American influence has been effective in Europe, Senator Humphrey said, has been the American aid programs since the war which revived European economies and shored up democratic political systems.

"We ought to be following the same policy in Asia and Latin America which we have followed in Europe -- we ought to be using American economic abundance and know-how to raise standards of living in these areas, and to bolster democratic forces", Senator Humphrey said.

"We ought to be expanding our contributions to the United Nations Technical Assistance Program -- a small investment which pays big dividends.

"We ought to be expanding our program of educational exchange, so as to do our utmost to increase understanding abroad of American methods and American aims.

"We ought to be expanding our information program abroad for the same reasons.

"We ought to be actively searching for ways to increase American private investment in the underdeveloped areas of the world.

"We ought to get behind an expanded program by the World Health Organization, and the International Children's Emergency Relief.

"In other words, in those areas where communism is being made to seem an easy solution for difficult problems of economic development, we should be pushing our programs of peace and good-will. We should always and inevitably be on the side of a higher standard of living", Senator Humphrey said.

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FRIDAY A. M.
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DESPERATION DRIVING REPUBLICANS TO 'NEW LOW' IN CAMPAIGNING

Desperation is driving the Republican party's state and national leadership to a "new low in campaign tactics", Senator Hubert H. Humphrey charged last night in an address before a Hennepin County DFL Rally -- last major party function in Minneapolis before the election next Tuesday.

"Refusing to stand on their own record, refusing to discuss the issues that concern the pocketbooks and lives of every American, the Republicans are hiding behind President Eisenhower's coattails to gain an air of respectability while conducting a viscous campaign of smear and fear", Senator Humphrey declared.

"We have seen both nationally and in Minnesota that there can be wrong -- doing in Republican as well as Democratic administrations -- either intentional abuse of public trust or at the best mistaken judgment and inefficiency.

"All responsible people want to see any abuses of public trust eliminated, but responsible people also know better than to blame the entire party for the missteps of a few. Both Democrats and Republicans want honest and decent government.

"As a responsible party, we Democrats have avoided and must continue to avoid the campaign excesses engaged in by our more desperate opponents.

"By contrast with the Republicans, we have tried to be specific rather than make unfounded blanket charges in sweeping generalities.

"It is not our intention to condemn all the Republicans, because Secretary of State Dulles once recommended Alger Hiss for a high position. It is not our intention to criticize all Republicans as corrupt because Parnell Thomas and two or three other Republican Congressmen have been put in prison because of bribery while in office. It is not our intention to say no Republican can be believed, because one Republican Congressman has confessed to falsely claiming war heroism. Neither would we think of condemning President Eisenhower because he was once a friend of Marshal Zhukov, leader of the Russian Army. Such criticism would be ridiculous, unfounded, and unfair.

"Yet that is the pattern of campaigning the Republicans are setting for us, if we should choose to follow such an irresponsible course. I'm proud we have more integrity, and more intellectual honesty in the DFL party. I'm proud we have more respect for the judgment of the American people.

"We all know the Republicans realize that the trend is against them, and that they cannot win on the true issues. The result is a smoke screen of false charges, born of desperation.

"We haven't seen the last of them, or the worst of them. Minnesota's citizens might as well brace themselves for a barrage of last-minute smear attempts that can only point to the desperation of approaching defeat now gripping the Republican party", Senator Humphrey said.



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