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DEMOCRATS BUILD DAMS -- REPUBLICANS ONLY DEDICATE THEM, SENATOR HUMPHREY SAYS

Democrats are "more interested in building dams than dedicating them,"
Senator Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.) declared today at a breakfast meeting
of Wasco County Democrats at The Dalles.

Referring to the approaching visit of Vice President Nixon to The Dalles,
Senator Humphrey declared:

"They tell me the Vice President is expected three days from now for
the ostensible purpose of dedicating the great Dalles Dam. I know it will
be a gala occasion -- but I hope it is also an occasion for some sober
thought. We Democrats are more interested in building dams than in dedicating
them.

"Yet I feel it is somewhat unfair division of labor, for ^{it is} the Democrats
~~who~~ get the dams in the Columbia Basin studied, authorized, built or building,
and the Republicans do nothing except dedicate them.

"It's about time we get another Democrat back in the White House, if
any future Republicans hope to have dams to dedicate.

"This is particularly true since the Eisenhower Administration has
never proposed one single new start in the Pacific Northwest, and has con-
sistently attempted to starve out the power program completely," ~~Senator~~
Humphrey declared.

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Excerpts from his remarks follow:

"Back in 1952, Candidate Eisenhower, told the Pacific Northwest region in his famous

'partnership' speech in Seattle, that 'Power development in the Northwest must and will go forward. In this continuing program, the Federal Government will play its full part'.

"Again by coincidence, when he happened to be on hand during the election campaign of 1954 to dedicate another Democratic dam - ^{the} McNary - while Dick Neuberger was sending shivers down the spines of Republicans in Oregon, President Eisenhower said: 'McNary dam ... is an example of national responsibility properly assumed by the Federal Government..... I shall continue to recommend Federal construction of such beneficial projects. New ones will be started...'

"If you wish to gauge the President's sincerity, check his budget messages of each successive year. There is not one single recommendation for a new power start in this or any other region.

"What has been achieved, has been through the efforts of recent Democratic Congresses led by your fighting Senators -- Wayne Morse and Dick Neuberger, Senators Magnuson and Jackson, and the other members of the Democratic Senatorial delegation from the Columbia Basin states.

X "And with the Dalles Project as a case in point, the Vice President could have come out at least a year and perhaps two years earlier, to dedicate it -- if the Eisenhower administration, early in its first term of office, hadn't cut construction funds so drastically as to stretch out the Army Engineers' construction schedule far beyond the anticipated date of completion.

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 "I seem to recall the Vice President visiting the great state of Oregon during the 1956 Presidential election campaign, and telling the people about the accomplishments of the Eisenhower 'partnership' power and natural resources policy.

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 "The Vice President said: 'All the resources of America, federal, state, and local, must be tapped to provide for the dynamic development of our natural resources on the scale that is necessary if our economy is to continue to expand and grow. That is why the triple-barrelled Eisenhower partnership program will do the job where a single-shot federal program will not'. ||

Pop Gun
 "That devastating, triple-barrelled discharge from the Eisenhower partnership blunderbuss has made a sound suspiciously like a popgun. Perhaps the Vice President can tell the crowd at The Dalles dedication ceremonies, that he didn't know it was ^{not} loaded. As far as I have been able to ascertain, the only efforts made to implement ^{so called} 'partnership' in this immediate area were:

(1) The 'partnership' proposal at John Day under which the private electric utilities would get the gravy for 50 years and Oregon and neighboring States would get high cost power, while Uncle Sam would build the non-power features that return no revenues ^{from} taxpayers' money.

(2) The backing down to the private utilities by the Eisenhower Administration at Hells Canyon. The result: Wastage of 75% of the storage capability, 50% of the power production, and what power that is now or will eventually become available from the private 3-dam project

costing at least three times that which could have been generated at the great Hells Canyon project, if the administration hadn't scuttled it.

"The Federal Government, through its power and resources agencies, is no longer planning ahead for a Federal power program which would provide energy for new or expanded industry.

"The Democratic power program, as all of you know, was a major spark which transformed this region's economy.

"Now, dam building is slackening off, and the region has suffered almost as much as any other depressed area in the nation from economic slowdown. This is simply because the great potential of the Columbia for low-cost power and for pure water supply to future industry is not being adequately developed by a continuous program.

"And yet, in the face of failure of partnership, Eisenhower-Nixon style, the Republicans have not provided the program needed to once again set the region marching forward economically on the foundation of its vast energy resource that flows in its rivers. Yes, the Vice President will be here to dedicate the kind of project which he and his fellow Republicans oppose with every fibre of their 18th Century souls.

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"As a 1956 editorial in the Nashville Tennessean commented, after the Vice President had visited the Valley to 'support' TVA, after the President had called it 'creeping socialism', and Dixon-Yates had been arranged by White House directive:

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"With much more of the ^{kind of} support (Mr. Nixon so blandly promises),
TVA will be deader than a door nail."

"I can only add that with each Republican dedication of a Democratic dam in the Pacific Northwest, the possibility of getting the kind of forward looking resources program the region needs for strengthening the foundations of its economic growth, will continue to be very dim indeed.

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"Of course, Congress overrode on its second attempt, the President's veto of the Public Works appropriations bill which contains money for vitally needed Oregon projects -- the Harney rural electric cooperative transmission line to provide it with Bonneville power, money to proceed with John Day construction, money for the Cougar project, and planning funds for Green Peter dam, not to mention others not directly affecting hydroelectric power.

"But the President's widening of the veto club to oppose all domestic resources development, except that which his budget Bureau doles out from a medicine dropper, is a powerful brake against the kind of programs this region and the nation ~~needs~~ ^{truly needs and is crying for!}

"This means only one thing, that a new administration is needed to work with a liberal Democratic Congress, dedicated to the historic conservation principles of half a century, as modified by the tremendously increased tempo of our civilization's technological advances, and the nation's population explosion.

"The Vice President may and probably will tell you, how the Republican party is pledged to these principles. But I am sure that the people of this region who will hear his words, will remember what the President

Public Works!

promised at Seattle and at McNary dam, and what the Vice President told Oregonians about the Eisenhower "triple-barrelled partnership do-it-yourself policy just three years ago. ¹

"The record speaks louder than GOP dedicatory words." //

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"We need an agricultural stabilization program far less costly to the American taxpayers than the present inexcusable mess -- yet one that is far more effective in its protection of family farmers and their contribution to the American economy.

"We need an agricultural stabilization program that permits agriculture to keep pace with the rest of our expanding economy in terms of income, yet one that does not make the farmer dependent on the government for that income.

"We need a program that recognizes the need for farmers to help themselves through cooperative action for bargaining power, and for whatever production adjustments may be necessary to make the best use of our human, soil, and water resources.

"We need a program tailored to the vast technological changes, yet one that does not sacrifice the human and social values of our traditional American pattern of family-owner operated farms.

"We need a program that recognizes the farmer's stewardship responsibility for conserving productivity of our land for the sake of future generations, yet recognizes too that the entire nation

shares that same responsibility.

"We need a program that really does something about surpluses -- making use of what we have, and adjusting production to keep from building up more beyond the level of possible need.

"Above all, we need a national food policy closely meshed with our farm policy, so that we can better gear our productive resources to the real needs of humanity at home and abroad -- instead of producing for government storage bins."

Senator Humphrey said he had used those guidelines in preparing the Family Farm Program Development Act introduced shortly before the end of the first session of the present Congress, and will press for action on the bill at the next session.

"We haven't all the answers in Congress -- but we can get better answers from farmers themselves than we can from Secretary Benson.

"That is why my measure calls for farm commodity groups to develop details of their own program within fixed guidelines, with Congress acting in the role of protecting the over-all national interest in giving final approval to farmer-developed and farmer-approved programs."

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Senator Humphrey spoke at a public meeting sponsored by the Umatilla County Democratic Central Committee, which was attended by a large group of farmers from the wheat and cattle areas in the Pendleton area.

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"We must grasp and keep the initiative as the peacemaker, and not let Khrushchev run away with it," Senator Humphrey told the crowd assembled at the K. C. Hall. "Our goal must be a safeguarded system of disarmament to relieve mankind of the crushing arms burden, but we should assert the leadership in seeking that goal--rather than appear to be reluctantly dragged in that direction."

"Despite our knowledge that most of Khrushchev's presentation to the United Nations was cleverly designed propaganda, there are many things he said that it would have been better to have had our country say first -- to have had our President say to the United Nations and the world."

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"Then let us move forward aggressively ourselves, with our own positive works of peace programs -- with deeds, rather than words."

"Let us never forget that there are many more people in this world who want to live, than want to die."

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"What they seek is help, guidance, friendship, understanding.

"What this world needs today is not massive retaliation, but massive doses of health, education, and food.

"We need some guided missiles to the hearts and minds of men -- missiles of technology and science, missiles of schools and education; yes, missiles of medicine and medical care -- of jobs and industry, of public works and public welfare.

"It is to the creation of these missiles that we must dedicate our talents and our energies.

"We must wage peace, while we defend ourselves against attack.

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"It must be a war of deeds -- the kind of deeds that we Americans have demonstrated our ability to accomplish and perform.

"We need a bold, new "Food for Peace" program, dedicating our God-given abundance to serving the needs of humanity -- rather than complaining about it.

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