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HUMPHREY CRITICIZES "LITTLE LEADERSHIP" OF GOP

ST. LOUIS, Missouri, Sept. 8 -- Senator Hubert H. Humphrey tonight denounced the "little leadership" of the Republican Administration and called for "a grand design for a period of growth and greatness."

Minnesota's senior Senator spoke at the annual convention of the International Association of Machinists here.

"We are living in big and exciting years," Humphrey said. "This is a great age of big problems, and of big opportunities.

"For too long we have been adrift with little men at the helm, men of little vision, little daring, and too little concern for people.

Humphrey emphasized what he called "too little leadership in foreign policy," and added:

"We have had too little economic expansion and growth. We have too little respect for and appreciation of American labor. We have had too little concern for economic justice for the farmer."

The Senator said that America "can not answer the threats of Khrushchev and Castro unless we have the leadership and determination to invest in our nation's strength and growth."

Humphrey called for "sound investments" to assure a strong defense force, better schools, improved health facilities and "above all the increased usefulness and productivity of our people."

"What sort of future does America have," he asked, "if four and a half million citizens cannot find jobs?"

"What sort of future does America have if healthy and eager boys just out of high school find nothing to do but stand on the streets, waiting for excitement -- and trouble?"

Humphrey called for establishment of an Area Redevelopment Program to help reduce unemployment and approval of his Youth Conservation Corps proposal to help cut down juvenile delinquency.

"These are investments in America's strength, in America's future," he added.

"We must have leadership that will awaken the people to the needs of these and other investments which America can and must afford.

"It is time to put a grand design into our national effort," he concluded. "It is time to let the American people know that they are being called to a period of growth and greatness."

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Excerpts of Address by
Senator Hubert H. Humphrey
Before The
International Association of Machinists
St. Louis, Missouri
Thursday, Sept. 8, 1960

Repent
Republicans

Syming To
Congressman Price
Congresswoman Sullivan

Bill McKenzie

Kennedy
Spring
Training

In the past few years, our people have
paused often to wonder about the directions of
America, the goals of America.

Bill
McKenzie
+
his
Colleague

Newspapers and magazines have looked hard
at the subject of "Our National Purpose."
Outstanding leaders and thinkers have attempted
to define our country's aims.

Basic questions have been asked and
considered:

- Is our prestige dwindling in other nations?
- Is our physical strength all that it should
be?

Tell the People the Truth -

- I am a Democrat. I am a Liberal
- I place my country above my Party
- I ask my Party to be true to its Platform
- I support that Platform.

It has three purposes.

(1) to encourage and assure ~~the~~ economic growth and expansion

(2) to provide and maintain equal opportunity - and full civil Rts for all

(4) to ~~create~~ and secure a just and enduring peace with freedom and justice.

(3) To restore "government with a heart"

I believe in Fed Aid to Educ
John A. Appleby - Farmer

our Nat'l Purpose

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Is the nation's moral and spiritual power forceful enough?

Are we drifting aimlessly on a lazy sea of mediocrity?

The leaders and philosophers have had their say. I would like now to repeat what American labor says. For I believe that the nation's working men and women have their own answers to these basic questions of the character and purpose of America.

Philosophers
have
had their
say
now labor

Labor
gives
it
answers

Labor ~~They~~ know that America cannot be satisfied

-- and will not be fooled -- by those pleasant little words spoken so often from the White

all is well?

House, words such as.... "adequate".... "sufficient"....

"middle of the road."

They know that this is no time for "moderation" or for dynamic apathy.

John A

~~They~~ know that America -- and the world --
needs more than a photogenic smile and soft
reassurance from positions of authority.

an Image -
we need
the Real thing

~~America needs instead a rallying call to
greatness.~~ We need a voice of inspiration and
leadership, challenging us to fulfill our
heritage as leaders of the free world.

We need the vision and daring to design our
destiny, rather than timidity and indifference
which force us to retreat into humiliating
stagnation and defeat.

VISION
DARING

to Design
our
Destiny

We need to create events, rather than
react to them.

create
events!

We must regain the sense of dedicated
purpose that has carried our nation forward in

the periods of crisis in the past, and given our society and our economy the vitality it needed to withstand any onslaught.

We have everything to work with -- if
we are inspired with the will and the
determination and the zeal to go to work for
the kind of America in which we believe.

↳ It is time for someone to cry, "Wake up
America -- the siesta is over!" + *Sen Kennedy is doing it!*

↳ America is either on the way up or the
way down. The one certainty in life is change
-- change by growth, or change by decay.

↳ In a world seething with desire to break through the economic and social shackles of the
past, ~~it is no time for our nation to rest on~~

its laurels, to coast, to relax, to level off

-- to say "not now" to the challenge of every

human need.

It is time to think big -- and act big.

I have travelled this country, met the

people, and learned from its working men and

women.

I know fully that the United States is a big and exciting country.

And this is a great country. It lives now in years of tremendous challenge -- a great age of big problems, perhaps -- but

big opportunities too.

For too long we have been left adrift with little men and little minds at the helm.

In high offices, we have had men of little vision,

Think Big
Act Big

Problems = Challenge
Difficulties = equal opportunities

little daring, and too little concern for people.

History may well be perplexed that this era of bigness in everything else has produced at the same time an era of littleness in leadership.

Bigness except in leadership

*Popularity for leadership
moderately for principle*

We have had too little leadership in foreign policy.

We have had too little economic expansion and growth.

Too little to put justice in

We have done too little to build enough homes.

Tax laws

We have done too little to build enough schools, and provided too little increases in educational opportunities for our young people.

*Sales taxes
Consumer*

Nixon - Walter Reed Hosp.

Railroad Retirement
Sec Sec - Redeemage

We have had too little care for our elderly citizens.

Pensions
+ med. care

We have done little to renew and revitalize our great urban centers.

Slums

We have had too little concern for economic justice for the farmers.

Drop in
Income

We have had ~~little~~ done too little about civil rights.

Human
Rts

And, yes, we have had too little respect for and appreciation of American labor.

(RT to work LAWS)

Labor

RT to work
LAWS

We have had, regretablely, the responses of timid men to great issues. We have had 19th Century thinking on 20th Century problems.

19th Century
thinking
for 20th
Cent
Challenges

And we have had too little faith in ourselves -- too little faith in the capacity of the American people.

Done too little - and had
too little leadership in
Foreign Policy

① Amendments
& Modifications
to Labor
Act of 1960

② Transportation
Act of 1958

Mergers
+ Consolidations
Railroad

It is time to let the American people know they are being called to a period of growth and greatness.

It is time to put a grand design into our national effort -- to take planning out of the doghouse, and put it into the White House.

Let us make clear to the world that we Americans are builders -- investors -- that we have a grand design for a greater America and a better world, with the ability to put it into action.

Builders
+
Investors

So, The next President of the United States and Congress will have to take off the wraps -- to free America's energies and resources for constructive work, and to tell the American people the plain truth. and he will — Kennedy

↳ The next President must have more than just executive ability. He must have a vision

of a stronger, more prosperous and just

America -- and the zeal to inspire others to

help him achieve it. *and Kennedy has it*

↳ He and other leaders must show our people

that America can afford to do what needs to be

done.... *and Kennedy will be our new leaders*

And ~~they~~ must awaken America ~~to~~ to the realization

that we cannot afford complacency in the world

of unrest, poverty, disease, and illiteracy.

~~Where would America be today if our fathers and their fathers had not invested in the future?~~

~~The investments of wise men ten years ago,~~

~~30 years years ago, 100 years years ago,~~

have made our nation strong today.

America cannot stop now. It cannot heed the whimpers of fearful and lazy men who say, "everything's fine today; why worry about tomorrow" -- or who say, "we can't afford the tools it takes to build for the future."

I say we can and must afford the tools to build for America's future -- tools that are investments, not expenditures.

Educ
We must invest in our educational system.
Our children and future generations of children need more classrooms and more teachers.

Defense
We must invest in our defense. Our strength must be maintained if we are to avert the threats of war.

Health
We must invest in our health. Our country needs more hospitals, programs for pollution

↳ We must invest in our resources
by sound conservation -

control, and expanded medical research.

↳ We must invest in our mobility. Our
economy needs highways and airports if it is
to grow and expand.

↳ We must invest in our cities
Above all, we must invest in the
usefulness and productivity of our people.

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What sort of future does America have if
strong, intelligent and well-trained men
cannot find work?

Area
Redevel.
Can we progress if top officials fight
and veto Area Redevelopment programs which would
help reduce unemployment now gripping four
and a half million citizens?

y. cc |
↳ What sort of future does America have if
healthy and eager boys just out of high school

find nothing to do but stand on the streets,
waiting for excitement and trouble? Can we
progress when an Administration says we can't
afford a Youth Conservation Corps which would
do something about juvenile delinquency?

J. C. C.

Sound investments must be made, now, to
assure every man the chance to work and produce,
and to give each community a share of our
so-called "prosperity".

Ameria will grow, if we make these investments
in the future. If not, America could become
stagnant, weak, and -- in the end, --
impoverished.

That is what Khrushchey expects to happen.

That is what he has in mind when he says he
will bury us.

~~And that is what could happen, if we are~~
~~afraid or indifferent.~~ We cannot sit quietly
in the sun and allow the shadows of alien
powers to move over us.

Make no mistake, the forces of
Communism and totalitarianism are moving
swiftly. They are working full time -- yes,
they are working overtime.

~~Soviet education is developing rapidly.~~
The Soviets are spending 7 to 8 percent of
their gross national product on education --
twice the percentage in the United States.

Russian and Red Chinese propoganda efforts
are being vigorously expanded. Throughout

Asia and Africa, the Communists are pouring steady streams of words and people into the newly emerging nations.

↳ Communist determination and ruthlessness are undiminished. We saw proof of that during the time of the U-2 incident and the torpedoing of the summit conference.

↳ We must rise to answer these threats. Our answer to the Khrushchevs and the Castros of the world must be a free America, ^{a just} which is growing, thriving, moving forward.

↳ Our answer must be a free nation which rejects "adequacy" and "moderation" and strives for excellent schools, health programs, housing projects.

And our final and ultimate answer must
be fulfillment of the greatness within America,
a full exertion of the spirit, the vigor, the
zeal and the dedication that is our great
heritage in this land of the free, and home
of the brave.

Be Just



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