

Excerpts from remarks of
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President Kennedy has demonstrated during these past several days the leadership the American people called for in November of 1960. When we chose a leader in 1960, we sought a man who would act to protect the security of our country -- not impetuously, not rashly, but deliberately, calmly and bravely, ^A and we have found him.

President Kennedy has won the support and the united allegiance of the American people as never before. The precision with which he has acted as our Commander-in-chief, the firmness with which he has laid it on the line to Premier Khrushchev, the due caution and deliberation which he used in order to ^{enlist} ~~line up~~ our allies of Latin America and Europe behind us, have won the admiration of the ^{free} world.

The President's historic action -- ~~while fraught yet with the~~
~~greatest possible danger to the entire world,~~ -- may very well prove to have spared the world from the awful destruction of nuclear warfare. He has acted as the surgeon, who cuts sharply to save life.

The country is united behind our President, ~~but~~ ^{and} there are still

some partisan

~~sour, carping~~ voices who seek to make political capital out of the

crisis. Even here in Minnesota, ~~members of Congress of the Repub-~~ ^{Some Republican Congressmen}

~~lican Party, and the Republican Governor of this State, are apparently~~ ^{continue}

to spread confusion and doubt

~~willing to risk dividing our people in order to get a headline.~~

~~They are actually willing to jeopardize our delicate position in~~

~~the United Nations in order to get a quote in the paper.~~

I say shame to men who will stoop to such tactics. At a

time when our nation must ^{be} unite ~~to face the greatest danger it has~~

~~ever faced,~~ how do ~~such~~ ^{suggest} men dare to ~~utter~~ that this ^{Cuban situation is} ~~is somehow~~

a "manufactured" crisis, ^{or} that the President knew for weeks that

there was a buildup of offensive missiles in Cuba? ^{Such is} ~~not the truth.~~

~~When the Governor of a great state will suggest such a thing,~~

I think it is time to call him to order. I do not think we have

to tolerate such talk. It is cheap, it is dishonest, and it

is harmful to our national security.

These Monday morning quarterbacks, these Judds and McGregors and Andersons who have the colossal conceit to place their judg-

Americans can and do place their trust in
ment ~~above that~~ of the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency,
~~the Secretary of State~~
the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Secretary of Defense, and the President
of the United States, ~~rather than~~ ~~base partisan critics~~ -- ~~deserve only contempt.~~

Had we listened to all the wild proposals ~~manufactured on the~~
~~mimograph machines~~ of the Republican National Committee for dealing
with Cuba, we could have found ourselves in a disastrous position--
condemned by the world for taking rash and dangerous action upon
and ~~no evidence~~, isolated from our allies and our friends of Latin
America.

It is cheap talk to propose action when you do not have the
responsibility for carrying it out.

^{took true}
It ~~takes~~ leadership to ignore this ~~cheap~~ provocative talk and
to move with care and purpose and decision to weld together the
unanimous position which the entire Western Hemisphere, except
Castro's Cuba has adopted -- supporting our actions.

It takes ^{real} leadership to move with such speed and accuracy as to
totally upset the timetable of the Soviet Union, and to put
Khrushchev for the first time in years on the defensive.

We have a right to expect, responsible and courageous
and action from
the men we elect to high public office.

We have a right to have a Governor who acts rather than remains content to issue press releases and cut ribbons.

^ We have a right to have a Governor who will work cooperatively with the Congressional delegation for the greater good of Minnesota, rather than spending his time obstructing, criticizing, and then taking credit for things that he not only did not accomplish, but often actually opposed.

^ Minnesota has a choice to make this year -- and Minnesotans have the opportunity to ~~put into~~ *elect to* the top leadership of the State of Minnesota ~~a man~~ *Karl Rolwaag* who will fulfill the hope and trust of our people.

~~The Democratic Farmer Labor Party~~ *The DFL* has ~~put before~~ *given* the people of Minnesota a man of ~~such~~ *the* courage and purpose ~~as~~ *that* the times demand -- a man who has literally walked through the fire -- who has been tested in battle -- holder of one of his country's highest decorations for valor in combat -- *yes* here is a man who has been tempered in the hard and rigorous struggles of the Minnesota Legislature, who has been among the leaders in the long, hard fight for liberal, progressive

government in Minnesota.

Here is a man who is unafraid. Here is a man who keeps his word. Here is a man who ^{is responsible} will not lie. Here is man who will take constructive action ~~necessary action, no matter what the consequences.~~

Karl Rolvaag

Here is a leader. Here is a man of broad education, high

purpose, and strong ideals.

Karl Rolvaag

Here is a man who exemplifies the rugged virtues of our

people -- their strength, their ideals, their perseverance, their

love for their state and their nation.

~~Ladies and Gentlemen, I give you the next Governor of the State of Minnesota -- the Honorable Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota,~~

~~Karl Rolvaag.~~



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