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Gaylord Say nice things!

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Truman - getting up to bat

© Kennedy - Johnson Program

④ Norwegian Independence

Senate Majority Whip Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) said tonight that American people will give an overwhelming endorsement to President Johnson this Fall because they want to continue the Kennedy-Johnson program to Build a Better America.

LBJ Victory

Humphrey told a state Democratic Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner in Milwaukee that President Johnson will lead Democrats to the greatest victory they have ever known in the Midwest and his influence will be felt throughout the ticket.

He said the main battleground in this Fall's elections will be in the House and Senate races. These contests, he said, will provide "an opportunity to give President Johnson the votes he needs in Congress to give a 'Better Deal' to the American people."

Proxmire
Better Deal for a Better America

"He needs those votes," Humphrey added, "to build a Better America...to give Better Education to our children... to build a Healthier America...to Build Better roads... to provide Better Transportation--in short, to give the American people the means and the opportunity to secure the better things in life for themselves and their children."

Humphrey praised Gov. John Reynolds for the "strong and courageous fight he made against Gov. Wallace and what he stands for" in the Wisconsin presidential primary.

"Your governor didn't hesitate one minute in taking up the challenge," Humphrey said. "We are proud of him for making the fight and for pointing up the moral issue involved in the civil rights struggle."

Reynolds

Humphrey said that Wisconsin voters also can be proud of its two Senators--Gaylord Nelson and William Proxmire.

He said that Proxmire's re-election would assure Wisconsin of growing influence in the U.S. Senate where power is firmly based on seniority.

"Bill Proxmire is making big moves up the seniority ladder on three important committees--Appropriations, Banking and Currency and the Joint Economic Committee," Humphrey said.

"Bill Proxmire is 32nd in rank for continuous service in the Senate and is one of the few Midwestern Democrats with a leg up the important seniority ladder. Bill already is chairman of the Small Business Subcommittee of the Banking and Currency Committee."

Humphrey said the Senators who have seniority are chairmen of committees and subcommittees; they have the power to make or break legislative proposals and they are in a position to see that certain things do or do not get done.

"We hear a lot of talk about how powerful the Southern Senators are--and for good reason," Humphrey said. "Their constituents see to it that they have seniority."

"Let me point out one fact," Humphrey said. "In the last 18 years the three states of Virginia, Georgia and Alabama have sent only one new Senator to Washington--Herman Talmadge of Georgia in 1957."

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As a result, he said, Virginia now has Harry Byrd as chairman of the Finance Committee and Willis Robertson as chairman of the Banking and Currency; Alabama has Lister Hill as chairman of the Labor and Public Welfare Committee and John Sparkman as chairman of the Select Committee on Small Business; and Georgia has Richard Russell as chairman of the Armed Services Committee.

"The lesson for the voters of Wisconsin," Humphrey said, "should be obvious."

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① Shakespeare - Henry Reuss! Literary Demo.

"a democrat"

Fooled them again
no he educated them

② "Better Deal for America" - Education, Youth.

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For Review Meeting

MEMO TO: SENATOR
FROM: BOB JENSEN

Bob J

May 16th

HERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO WORK INTO YOUR
TALK SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE JEFFERSON-JACKSON DAY DINNER IN
MILWAUKEE.

(AS YOU KNOW, JOHN REYNOLDS IS RUNNING FOR A SECOND
2-YEAR TERM AND FORMER LT. GOV. WARREN KNOWLES OF NEW
RICHMOND IS HIS OPPONENT. PAT LUCEY, FORMER STATE CHAIRMAN,
IS SEEKING THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION TO RUN FOR LIEUTENANT
GOVERNOR WITH REYNOLDS. WILBUR RENK, AN EISENHOWER
REPUBLICAN AND FARMER EAST OF MADISON, IS RUNNING AGAINST
BILL PROXMIRE.)

WISCONSIN'S DEMOCRATS HAVE COME A LONG WAY IN THE LAST
10 YEARS. IT WASN'T MANY YEARS AGO - BEFORE BOB KASTENMEIER
CAME ALONG TO MAKE THE SECOND A DEMOCRATIC DISTRICT - THAT
REPUBLICANS WERE RUNNING STRONG EVEN IN SUCH PLACES AS DANE
AND DODGE COUNTIES. BUT IN RECENT MONTHS THE REPUBLICAN S
HAVE REALLY SLIPPED. THEY HAVE SLIPPED SO BADLY THAT A MAN
RUNNING AS A DEMOCRAT FROM OUTSIDE THE STATE COULD COME IN
HERE AND SWEEP THOSE GOOD REPUBLICAN SUBURBS ON MILWAUKEE'S
NORTH SIDE. A LOT OF REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES THIS FALL WILL BE
WISHING THEY HAD THE VOTES ^{Governor} ~~GEORGE~~ WALLACE GOT IN PLACES LIKE
WAUWATOSA AND FOX POINT.

Wauwatosa + Fox Point

I WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE JOHN REYNOLDS FOR THE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS FIGHT HE MADE AGAINST WALLACE AND WHAT HE STANDS FOR - YOUR GOVERNOR DIDN'T HESITATE ONE MINUTE IN TAKING UP THE CHALLENGE. WE ARE PROUD OF HIM FOR MAKING THE FIGHT AND FOR POINTING UP THE MORAL ISSUE INVOLVED IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS STRUGGLE.

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I HAVE BEEN TOLD THERE'S A MOVE ON IN THE NEW 9TH DISTRICT TO SEND GLENN DAVIS BACK TO CONGRESS. I UNDERSTAND THAT HE WANTS TO GO BACK TO WASHINGTON TO REJOIN HIS OLD BUDDY, RICHARD NIXON. WELL I HAVE SOME NEWS FOR DAVIS - EVEN DICK NIXON ISN'T GOING TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON EITHER.

I UNDERSTAND THE REPUBLICANS MAY GO AHEAD AND NOMINATE
NIXON BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO BREAK IN A NEW LOSER.

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LYNDON JOHNSON IS GOING TO DO WELL THIS FALL - I HEAR
RUMBLINGS HE'LL EVEN RUN STRONG IN THE FOX RIVER VALLEY.

*Fox River
Valley*

JOHNSON'S GOING TO MAKE ALF LONDON VERY HAPPY BECAUSE AFTER
THIS NOVEMBER THE YARDSTICK FOR A POLITICAL LANDSLIDE WON'T
BE 1936 WHEN LONDON CARRIED MAINE AND VERMONT. IT WILL BE
1964 WHEN JOHNSON CARRIED MAINE AND VERMONT AND ALL THE REST
OF THE COUNTRY.

YOU FOLKS HERE IN WISCONSIN HAVE PLENTY OF REASON TO BE PROUD OF YOUR SENATORS. BOTH BILL PROXMIRE AND GAYLORD NELSON KNOW HOW TO GET THINGS DONE IN WASHINGTON. I COULD TALK FOR HOURS ABOUT ALL THE GOOD THINGS I KNOW ABOUT GAYLORD NELSON BUT HE ISN'T UP FOR RE-ELECTION THIS YEAR SO I'LL SAVE MY PRAISE.

INSTEAD, I'D LIKE TO REMIND YOU ABOUT ONE OF THE MAJOR FACTS OF LIFE IN WASHINGTON. IT'S SOMETHING CALLED SENIORITY.

BILL PROXMIRE, FOR INSTANCE, IS MAKING BIG MOVES UP THE SENIORITY LADDER ON THREE COMMITTEES - APPROPRIATIONS, BANKING AND CURRENCY, AND JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE. HE IS 32nd IN RANK FOR CONTINUOUS SERVICE IN THE SENATE AND IS ONE OF THE FEW MIDWESTERN DEMOCRATS WITH A LEG UP THE IMPORTANT SENIORITY LADDER.

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THE SENATORS WITH THE SENIORITY ARE THE MEN WHO HAVE THE POWER IN WASHINGTON. THEY ARE THE MEN WHO ARE THE CHAIRMEN OF THE COMMITTEES. THEY CAN MAKE OR BREAK LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS. THEY ARE THE MEN WHO CAN GET THINGS DONE - OR SEE TO IT THAT THINGS DON'T GET DONE.

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WE HEAR A LOT OF TALK ABOUT HOW POWERFUL THE SOUTHERN SENATORS ARE - AND FOR GOOD REASON. THEIR CONSTITUENTS SEE TO IT THAT THEY HAVE SENIORITY.

LET ME POINT OUT ONE FACT - IN THE LAST 18 YEARS THE THREE STATES OF VIRGINIA, GEORGIA AND ALABAMA HAVE SENT ONLY ONE NEW SENATOR TO WASHINGTON - HERMAN TALMADGE OF GEORGIA IN 1957. SO WHAT POSITIONS OF POWER DO THE SENATORS FROM THESE THREE STATES HOLD?

--VIRGINIA HAS HARRY BYRD AS CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE COMMITTEE THAT WRITES OUR TAX LAWS, AND WILLIS ROBERTSON AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BANKING AND CURRENCY COMMITTEE, ONE OF THE THREE COMMITTEES ON WHICH BILL PROXMIRE SERVES.

--ALABAMA HAS LISTER HILL AS CHAIRMAN OF THE LABOR AND PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE AND JOHN SPARKMAN AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS.

--GEORGIA HAS RICHARD RUSSELL AS CHAIRMAN OF THE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE AND HERMAN TALMADGE, THE NEWCOMER, IS CHAIRMAN OF THE WATERSHED PROJECTS SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE.

THE LESSON FOR THE VOTERS OF WISCONSIN SHOULD BE OBVIOUS.



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