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"At the same time the President is expanding the frontiers of freedom here in America", the Vice President said, "he is defending freedom in Vietnam and he has pledged American support to the flag of freedom wherever it flies."

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Dinner Chairman + Clarence Miles / Francis Gallagher
~~Laurence Cardinal Sheil~~

Gov Tawes
Sen Brewster
Sen Tydings

"SALUTE TO HUBERT HUMPHREY"

Mayor McKeldin
Tommy D'Allesandro
(Pres. City Council)
(Ecumenical) Rep + Sen

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

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Rev. Cherry

My fellow Democrats ... it's a pleasure to
be saluted, particularly by one's friends and
neighbors. You know, Mrs. Humphrey and I have
lived in Maryland ourselves now for many years --
although I've never made a point of reminding my
friends in Minnesota of that fact. And we intend
to remain in Maryland ... unless the President brings
up the business again of a Vice Presidential mansion.
We live in Maryland and we like it.

We like
Maryland
lived here
16 1/2 yrs

And we like the Democrats you've put in the
state house and in the United States Congress.

We like
Your
Democrats

Millard Tawes ... Dan Brewster ... Joe Tydings ...

Gov Tawes
Dan Brewster
Joe Tydings

can't be here tonight - Having dinner with the President
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George Fallon ... Ed Gormatz ... Sam Friedel ...

Carlton Sickles ... Clarence Long ... Hervey Machen --

these are the men who are serving Maryland well.

These are the men you've given your votes and who deserve your continuing support.

As President of the Senate, I'm particularly proud of two good friends and colleagues here tonight. We all owe special thanks to Dan Brewster for his support of President Johnson in the Maryland Presidential primary last year. You fought the good fight, Dan, when it would have been very easy to sit that one out. And we thank all those good Maryland Democrats who did their part in lending their support in that difficult time.

Brewster + Maryland Primary.

I'm also especially proud of my new colleague

Tydings

Joe Tydings. Joe, you won your Senate seat by more

than a quarter of a million votes. I remember ~~I know~~ another

Senator Tydings who would have been proud of you.

*- a great Senator
Richard
Tydings*

↳ You know, being 100th in seniority in the

United States Senate gives Joe Tydings some privileges

that not all Senators enjoy. For instance, it allows

Joe to sit in the rumble seat at the rear of the

Senate floor. And it gives him special consideration

when it comes to Senate office space: I understand

you moved again just today, Joe to your spacious new

two-room suite. I hope that sometime soon, though

you'll be able to get those two rooms in the same building.

Senator - just out

*Joe's
Office
Space!*

↳ There are lots of good Democrats here tonight.

And all of us are interested in two things: electing more

Democrats ... and building the Great Society. The two

go together.

Tonight, here in Maryland, I want to talk

seriously for a few minutes about the Great Society.

*100th
in Seniority
Back
Row*

*Build the
Great
Society*

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I want to talk to you about the Great Society
Exciting - challenging - Demanding!

This is the right time and place to do so.

! - Today in N.Y.!

L You here tonight certainly know the pressing
needs of our cities and of the need for better mass
transit. You know how important it is to maintain
our heritage of natural beauty here along the
Chesapeake Bay. You know the problems of the
elderly citizen who needs medical care. You understand
the most important problem: Seeing that your children
get the best education possible -- we did something
about that in the House of Representatives last week
when we passed the Elementary and Secondary Education
Act. The people of this state know how unemployment
and unequal opportunity can be a drag on the economy
and on the human spirit as well.

Cities
Mass
Transit

L Governor Tawes, Senator Brewster, Senator
Tydings, and the other good Democrats in this state
have imaginatively and responsibly done things

overcome
to ~~keep pace with~~ these problems. But, we

must not slow down. We must go forward. And

this Congress, with your support, is doing just that.

We are moving forward to eliminate our foes
of today -- slums, crime, a lack of playgrounds

and parks, overburdened schools, inadequate transportation, the crowding the lack of clean air
care, inadequate *your cities,* *medical + Hospital* *and water*

President Johnson proposed three weeks ago
a program of progress for our cities. It would
give financial assistance to cities which need it.

It would aid public housing. It would combat crime.

This is a program deserving of your support.

You here in Maryland are painfully aware of
the need for modern mass transportation. President
Johnson has committed this Administration to
technical research and development of high speed,

our foes

care, inadequate

your cities,

Program for Cities!

inter-city surface transport. He has suggested
that we begin by demonstrating possible improvements
in our passenger service between Washington and
Boston. This program too deserves your support.

Natural
Beauty

There is no more beautiful sight than the
Chesapeake Bay and the Maryland countryside. But
this can be paradise lost. Clean water and air can
be and are polluted. Automobile junk yards and
bill boards can crowd in on our highways. Our cities
can lose their precious open space. Our landmarks
can be destroyed. This Administration has a program
to preserve our natural beauty. It is also deserving
of your support.

Our citizens are living longer. But are they
living more happily? What family doesn't know the
heart-ache -- the long, empty days that come to

Elderly

a man or woman who is aging, who is lonely,
who is neglected? *Prolonging life is not enough.*

We must prolong opportunity and usefulness; we
must provide dignity.

*- Housing for elderly
centers for elderly*

L The Johnson Administration in 1964 gave
unprecedented help to our senior Americans, both
through legislative and executive action. But we
failed to pass the King-Anderson Bill to provide
necessary hospital care for the elderly. This
Administration is determined that the Medicare
Bill will become law within a few weeks from now.

*Medicare
Social Security*

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There is education. The story of education
is the story of this country. No people in the world
believe in broad excellence in education as we do.

educ

Education is our only guarantee of security in the
world, ~~of welfare at home.~~ *and of progress at home.*

*my congrats to the Baltimore Citizens School Advisory
Committee - for improved educ in Baltimore
with 400 meetings - over 300 recommendations*

yes < Our schools are crowded. < We need more
and better teachers. President Johnson has proposed
ambitious measures which can strengthen and maintain
American education at all levels. This program
certainly deserves your support.

< Can we have a Great Society as long as millions
of our people live in abject poverty for lack of
training? ... as long as jobs are denied for no good
reason, but because of the color of a man's skin? ...
as long as doors are closed to immigrants because of
where they happened to be born? ... as long as some
of our citizens are denied the right to vote?

< The Johnson Administration has made proposals
in 1965 which will move toward righting these wrongs.

These proposals, too, deserve your support. X

Ⓟ Yes, President Johnson will be remembered in our
history as the Freedom President - The opportunity
President - The central commitment of the
Congress

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and at the same time defending freedom
~~wherever~~ *wherever the flag of freedom flies!*

President and his administration is to expand
the frontiers of freedom and opportunity here at
home and abroad — (O the Power)

These are some of the things here at home

which will be accomplished only if you join in
the battle, if you share in the vision of a Great
Society.

Join
the
battle!

I would be negligent here tonight if I did
not also ask for your support for something else:
for the belief that the world need not destroy itself
by war, and that we Americans can help others, too,
find a better society.

We hear many voices these days saying that
America is overextended in the world ... that other
people's problems needn't be our problems ... that
we ought to close up shop overseas and enjoy our
fruits here in the Good Old U.S.A.

My friends, when that time comes, this nation
is doomed. Who in the world will work for democracy
if we do not? Who in the world can preserve the peace

if we do not? Who in the world can set the
example, can offer the needed hand, if we do not?

We live in a time when everything is complex,
when there are no ~~more~~ rapid or easy answers.

We live in a time when we must exert our patience as
never before. ^{But} Have we the patience, for instance,

to work and bleed five thousand miles from home for
months and years ahead -- without any guarantee of

final success? I can tell you that the forces of
totalitarianism have that patience!

This is what the Great Society is all about.

It is the recognition that a second car and power
mowers and dry martinis are not enough. It is the

recognition that we stand for something not seen
before in the world. We stand for the dignity and

fulfillment of individual man and woman. We stand

for the chance for each man to make something better

of himself. *↳* We stand for free speech, ~~and~~ *for Human dignity,*
for government of the people. *!↳* We stand for peace
without conquest. *↳* We stand for the belief that
others, too, in less fortunate places should have
opportunity for the blessings of abundance and
should be free of tyranny. *↳* We stand for the
pledges made by men and women who left the old ways
and fought a living out of the soil of a new continent.

↳ President Johnson has made his commitment to
all of us. I join him in that commitment. *and* We
ask your help.

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