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REMARKS OF VICE PRESIDENT

Gov McKeithen

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

AFL-CIO Baton Rouge

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APRIL 9, 1965

Rev - clergy

Mayor Skero 'Ski - Row of New Orleans

① In a Southern

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4 new S.W. City of ...

Your warm reception

Louisiana.

(Gov McKeithen - Country Boy from Grayson Town - 485 - Daland 606 - now 595)

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studying at Louisiana State University. One of

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Rev Long

Space - Agric -

Industry
Commerce

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① Mississippi Banders - Third main - to New Orleans

Side Stand Shoulder to Shoulder with
your Senator Russell Long on most of the
great economic issues confronting our country

~~But I don't have to remind him that we still~~

↳ we have a common opponent -- the force of economic
reaction, the forces which would fight the laboring
man represented here by you delegates, the forces
which turn a deaf ear to the needs of our rural
people -- in Minnesota as well as Louisiana.

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we intend to defeat those forces.

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that goal -- cooperation. So I appear before you
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↳ I am an optimist. I believe that these are
exciting days and that the tomorrows of our lives will
be even more exciting. Our nation is in the midst of
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opportunity

Your Federal Govt - Cost expenditures
in Research + Development -
in Goods + Services -
South a great opportunity
if there is ~~no~~ social order,
equality of treatment,
and a healthy environment.

← And the labor movement in America is helping to create that growth ... new wealth ... new and better goods and services ... for more people than ever before. ← But we are creating far more than that.

← We are creating in this country the means of sustained national growth. ^{and,} Not just economic growth. ^{+ richer} But a fuller growth which can keep us free and secure in the future.

← We are improving and strengthening every major resource of this nation -- our educational system, our medical facilities, our housing, our recreation, and our most important resource, our people.

← We are doing this through an unprecedented peace-time effort of national cooperation.

← This is the cooperation which is developing between people who once opposed each other as a

matter of course -- cooperation between North
and South, Negro and white, farmer and city dweller,
business and labor.

Cooperation
Unity

↳ There is another word for this developing
cooperation. It is consensus.

↳ Consensus is voluntary agreement based on
constructive dialogue, mutual respect, and under-
standing. - LBJ - "Come Let us Reason together"

↳ In our American consensus today, we are joining
together in the fight on old common enemies: poverty,
disease, ignorance, discrimination.

The
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the President,

"the excitement of becoming, always becoming,

trying, probing, failing, resting and trying

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↳ United we stand. And united we gain.
and We must gain. Our needs are multiplying.

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↳ In 10 years, we will need -- each year --
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for 10 million additional children ... welfare and
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age of 60.

next
10 yrs

1 1/2 million New Jobs each yr.
80 to 90 thousand Per month

↳ We have no time to lose. We must challenge
the tasks at hand.

↳ We must make our cities more livable -- places
where children can play, and men and women can work, in
safety and health.

Cities

↳ We must preserve our natural heritage before it
is lost ... we must preserve our landscape and our
forests. We must preserve clean air and water.

L We must find ways to help our rural citizens
adjust to technological revolution and social change.

L We must solve the problems of our urban
centers. - Slums, - open spaces - Transportation

L We must have no little dreams. We can make no
little plans.

President Johnson has proposed -- and your
Congress is passing -- legislation which will help
create the freedom and opportunity we seek.

Programs to provide adequate medical care ...
to better educate our children ... to eradicate
poverty ... to give each man and woman in this country
truly equal opportunity

yes, These investments carry a price tag.

But the cost per man -- or per million -- of
national problems like illiteracy, school dropouts,
poverty, delinquency, and yes -- discrimination --

④ Discrimination alone - cost in lost income over 20 Billions

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↳ We spend 450 dollars a year per child in our public schools. But we spend 1800 dollars a year to keep a delinquent in a detention home ... 2500 dollars a year for a family on relief ... and 3500 dollars a year for an inmate in state prison.

↳ We must make the investments necessary so that all in our society may be productive. ↳ Poor and uneducated people are poor consumers, They are a drain on our economy. They are wasted resources.

School Dropouts unemployed

↳ But beyond the economic good, there is the morality of our efforts.

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Wilson said - he put his faith
in Democracy because -

" it releases the energy of
every human being"

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↳ I also ask your support and work for something else: for the belief that the world need not destroy itself by war, and that we Americans can help others, too, in other places, find a better life.

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↳ Who in the world can preserve the peace if we do not?

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from home -- perhaps for months and years ahead --
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for the pledges made by Americans who came before us.
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