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VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY
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↳ More than 5 million children from low income families -- in 95 percent of the nation's counties -- will be helped by this bill.

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no law means more to the future of America.

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You are partners in this progress. The Democratic Party and the President need your help, and help is what you are giving them. Together we will build a stronger and better America.

We will prove that those of little faith . . . those of little hope . . . those who look inward -- we will prove that they are wrong.

The Great Society will be built for the freedom and security of generations beyond us. President Johnson is committed to this task. I join him in that task. We ask your help.

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Appear - or retreat -

x We will not abandon
a friend for an easy
True. ✓

① We will not forget
The lessons of history -
namely that aggression
the aggressive appetite is
never satisfied.

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① Pdx turned
\$140.00 note
JAMES BURGE
OLGA C. BURGE

① I knew ^{the} price of beef up
but 100⁰⁰ for a Hamburger
seems a bit high!

The way to succeed in
business -

Sell Hamburgers in Okla.
A

② Revised my speech - when I
found you were having the
Presidents Club here too!
③ If you want to contribute - set up!

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- The Mantle of leadership
is not a cloak of
comfort; it is a
robe of responsibility.
- Leadership offers no
privilege - no luxury
- Peace is our goal
we seek no conquest
we want no war
but we will not

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~~yes~~
A better America for
all -

Civil Rts -

Voting Rts

War on Poverty

Human Resources

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a better America for
our ~~cities~~ -
70% in urban areas

a better America for
our farmers

better America
through Health
Protection
The air The Health
The water Research

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Edus - investment
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new wealth

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new Power

ⓑ a better America for our
elderly -

✓ Medicare

✓ Housing

✓ Keen mills improvement

✓ Soc Sec. benefits

Older Americans Act

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① A better America for
Business - for labor -
for consumer -
Prosperity, Jobs - Profit
Goods -

- Econ. Growth
- Fair Labor Standards - 14 B

② A better America for
the young -
Educ - elementary - Sec
Higher -
Vocational
5 million unemployed
to be helped

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The Day of Sectionalism is gone
The Day of Racism is gone
The Day of Reaction is gone
We seek to Build a Better
America ~~is~~

- (1) more Prosperous - yet
we are Prosperous
we can continue to be
- (2) a better America - through
educ -
Ed Act - in 10 yrs we will
need Schools for 10 million more
children

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① An exciting time to be
alive -

Space Age - but

also the age of Concern
& Compassion

* New Rights - New Freedom

new opportunities

The Theme the Great Society
Quality - not Quantity!

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Yes Carl Albert -
 Majority leader -
 - Miracle worker
 - Mighty Atom
 Little Giant

~~Oklahoma~~
~~Democrats~~ - Building
 Trying, helping, working
 for all the people

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If the spirit moves
you, get up +
contribute!

(Fred Boston - Finance
Dean Mc Lee Rept.)

① Carl Albert - burnt the mts to
+ burnt out the last remnants
of Rep. Party in Oklahoma next yr

Rep Senator once ~~accused~~ me accused
me of wanting the end of Rep Party
I said no - one in Senate for current
one in Smithsonian for history

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Barkers |

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(X) Cong. Delegation

Tom Steed

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