

My kind of democratic politics  
often means hard-fought decisions  
inside the party - in conventions  
or in primary - and then a  
closing of the ranks against the  
Republicans.

[ Democrats may disunite, desert and  
desert inside the "house"; but  
I like to see Democrats face the  
opposition united, on election day.

[ I fought hard in the primaries  
of 1960, but I am proud to  
say that I fought even harder  
for the men the Democratic  
Party chose as our leader in  
the ~~convention~~ election - John F.  
Kennedy! If we went on to win!

1960  
[ When the party puts forward  
men who are honest and experienced,  
~~who are free from any taint of corruption,~~  
I intend to support them.

Tate  
=mayor  
Frank Smith

Jim Crumlish  
Aly Hemphill

Gov Lawrence REMARKS

Congressman  
Bill Green

Dick Dilworth VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY

Bob Nixon  
Jim Byrne

DEMOCRATIC DINNER

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Bill Barnett  
Hans T. All

OCTOBER 27, 1965

Former  
Congressman  
Mike Brodley

Joe Clark  
Mrs Bill Green

- Mike Musmano  
- Emeritus Blatt

Last year, President Johnson and I campaigned

in Pennsylvania for common sense, responsibility, and vision in government.

↳ Pennsylvania's response last November was a plurality of almost one million, 400 thousand votes for the Johnson-Humphrey ticket. Almost one-third of that margin came from the voters of Philadelphia.

↳ That vote was a tribute to the leadership of a great American President . . . and to his plans for uniting this country, challenge tasks undone, wrongs unrighted, and the dreams too long postponed.

fulfillment of

↳ You sent five outstanding Philadelphia Congressmen to Washington last November. They have helped build a great record in this Congress. <sup>and</sup> With your help, they will build a great record in many Congresses to come.

↳ I dedicated earlier today a new civic center in your city -- a city on the move.

↳ There is a renewal in Philadelphia not only of buildings and neighborhoods, but also of spirit and vitality -- and of concern of one citizen for another.

↳ Philadelphia's goal is ~~the goal of~~ making the city a better place in which to live and work for the people of the city.

↳ In the words of President Johnson: Our task . . . is to create and preserve the sense of community with others which gives us significance and security, a sense of belonging and of sharing in the common life . . .

↳ The problem is people and the quality of the lives they lead."

↳ No city can undertake this task alone.

↳ In 15 years, there will be another 30 million Americans living in urban areas -- the equivalent of all the people in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Detroit and Baltimore.

↳ All our great cities must help to build a Great Society by doing more for their people, as Philadelphia is doing.

↳ Today our nation is led by a President determined that our answer to the future shall be "yes." ↳ Today our nation is united in a peacetime ~~consensus~~ unity - an agreement on common goals -- unknown in our previous history.

89th

↳ In ten short months an American Congress has responded in a remarkable way to the leadership of our President.

L In these ten months we have built a base from which America can move forward. We have made into law the

hopes and ideas of ~~the last 40 years~~ *many years - Many Bills*

Immig

L The bill says Immigration, but it means, "You shall be judged by your skill and talent, not by your last name or national origin."

L The bill says Education, but it means, "You shall receive the ~~tools~~ *training + the tools* with which to make the most of your future."

L The bill says Medicare, but it means, "You shall have adequate medical care to live your older years in dignity, *+ your country* your children have not forgotten you."

L The bill says Beautification, but it means, "You can have beauty of landscape, clean water and air."

Econ. opportunity

↳ The bill says Poverty, but it means, "You shall have hope where there has been no hope, you shall have a chance to break the cycle of ignorance and unemployment, you can become full and productive members of society."

↳ The bill says Housing and Urban Development, but it means, "You can live in something more than concrete and carbon monoxide. You can walk the streets in safety and health."

↳ The bill says Voting Rights, but it means, "You shall be given full citizenship, no matter what the color of your skin, after promises broken for a hundred years."

↳ The bill says Arts and Humanities, but it means "You can find more in life than material satisfaction, you can touch new fountains of creativity and expression."

↳ We are creating in America not a welfare state, but a state of opportunity.

∟ We are creating a society in which each child will have an equal chance to make something better for himself, for his children after him, and for all mankind.

XX ∟ We hear many voices these days saying that America is overextended in the world . . . that other people's problems need not be our problems . . . and that we ought to close up shop overseas and enjoy things here in the good old U. S. A.

∟ My friends, when that time comes, this country will lose, by default, its position of influence and leadership in the world.

∟ Who in the world will work for democracy if we do not?

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

∟ Who in the world can stop the evil force of Communism, if we do not?

∟ Who can + will resist Aggression if we do not?

↳ And this evening, during United Nations week,  
we must ask:

↳ Who in the world will believe in the ideal of the  
United Nations, ~~if we do not?~~ *- in interdependence*

↳ For the United Nations is irreplaceable as a  
peacemaker, peacekeeper, and meeting ground for the  
family of man.

↳ Two separate events have recently focused world  
attention on the United Nations.

↳ The first was the war on the Asian sub-continent. *- India + Pakistan*

With Communist China exploiting the conflict between  
India and Pakistan, there was enormous danger. But  
the ceasefire demanded by the UN Security Council <sup>has</sup> averted  
that danger.

UN

↳ The second event was the visit of His Holiness Pope Paul VI. The Pope's moving address to the United Nations made us all aware that the spiritual as well as temporal hopes of mankind ride with the strength and capacity of the United Nations.

↳ Implicit in the Pope's message was something we all recognize: that the United Nations exists today because it must exist . . . because there is no better

alternative ~~for the maintenance of peace among men.~~ *And it exists because of our commitment to it*

↳ After twenty years we no longer question the need ~~indispensability~~ of the United Nations.

↳ It has, as President Johnson has said, "taken root in human need and has established a shape, and a purpose, and a meaning of its own."

*We must do support them to*

Our choice is clear. We must resist aggression.

We must help those in the world who need our help.

We must pursue peace to the ends of the earth or *possibly* face the end of the earth.

We know that the pursuit of peace is a task for generations. And we know it means practicing democracy as well as preaching it.

That is what the Great Society is all about.

It is the recognition that we can create in America our state of opportunity. We can right old wrongs. We can offer each person a chance to be better tomorrow than today. And we can, with our *Power* wealth and determination, lead all men toward a life of freedom, dignity and peace.

President Johnson has made his commitment to our future. I join him in that commitment. We ask your help.



# Minnesota Historical Society

Copyright in this digital version belongs to the Minnesota Historical Society and its content may not be copied without the copyright holder's express written permission. Users may print, download, link to, or email content, however, for individual use.

To request permission for commercial or educational use, please contact the Minnesota Historical Society.



[www.mnhs.org](http://www.mnhs.org)