

Art Buchwald  
"where as the..."

Father Alfred

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DEMOCRATIC "SALUTE TO CALIFORNIA" DINNER

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✓ Phil Burton  
✓ Bob Leggett  
✓ John McCall

⊗ Mayor Shelly  
has forgotten  
you in his  
speech!

Mayor Shelly - welcome!

My fellow Democrats . . . tonight we meet

to talk about tomorrow.

We meet to measure where we stand and to chart  
the path to where we're going.

We meet to face tomorrow's realities, not yesterday's  
delusions.

We meet to talk about the future of our party, of  
our country, of the cause of mankind in the world.

FDB  
⊗ We must move  
forward  
with strong  
active faith

we had a  
wonderful day in S.F.  
Pruman Margout - loved it here too!

"Limited Program"  
- cup Bob Coate

↳ We meet to talk about the capacity for greatness  
and goodness in man, and not his meanness.

↳ We meet to talk. !!

There was a crusty old farm leader in Washington during the early days of the New Deal. His name was George Peek. George Peek said: "The common characteristic of all uplifters is an unquenchable thirst for conversation." They are all chain talkers." - *That's Humphrey!*

↳ So be it. Let us talk. Let us think. Let us agree and disagree. Then, my fellow ~~young~~ Democrats, let us act.

↳ We Democrats are uplifters. *Yes!* We do talk! But we also know the value of ideas and of action. We are not, as Judge Learned Hand once said of our opposition, "Old Tories. . . intellectually moribund... emitting dreary sounds."

Your Program  
look - excellent -  
& beautiful!

My mission here tonight, as indicated by the program, is to offer a "salute to California." - a most pleasant assignment

↳ The real worth of California is not its pleasant climate or its abundant resources.

↳ The real strength of California is in its people - - and America  
in their skills, their intelligence, their progressive spirit.

↳ And the genius of California is evident in its leaders, most of whom just happen to be Democrats.

↳ I've heard it said that Governor Brown has what some experts call an "image problem." The pollsters and the punsters have not been too kind to him lately.

Pat B

↳ There are two big reasons why such talk is nonsense, and why the Republicans should not order any confetti for next year.

Reason #1 -

Reason #2

Pat Brown is a great Governor, and Pat Brown wins elections.

But of course,

There is one fellow with a marvelous "image" and an alliterative name who is riding out of Death Valley to save the people of California from the perils of the twentieth century.

I will just say the same thing to the people of California today that I said to some students for Goldwater whom I met in San Jose last year:

I don't mind if you study ancient history, but, for goodness sake, don't vote for it.

Last year, the people were offered a distinct contrast between Lyndon Johnson and Barry Goldwater.

That was nothing compared with the choice facing Californians next year. I have no doubt that they will choose Pat Brown's space-age government over the horse-and-buggy aphorisms we're hearing these days from Brand X.

Brand X

↳ You Democrats in California have high  
standards of leadership for all offices, and I salute  
you for that.

↳ You have a ~~great~~ <sup>fine</sup> Lieutenant Governor, Glenn  
Anderson. And, Glenn, I know what it means to be  
No. 2.

↳ The Democratic Party of California will win the  
election in 1966.

↳ You will win with Attorney General Tom Lynch.

↳ You will win with State Treasurer Bert Betts.

↳ You will win new margins of victory with your  
Democratic Legislative leaders and your Democratic  
candidates for the State Senate and Assembly.

↳ I want to add a special note about a great and  
courageous man and leader who could not be with us  
tonight.

*Legisl*

*B.9  
batts!*

✓

↳ He is now in Ghana on a mission for the Peace Corps, giving up his vacation and a good part of his holiday period with his family, ~~for that valuable purpose~~. I salute a dear friend and an outstanding California Democratic leader, State Controller Alan Cranston. !!!

Cranston!

↳ Let me make just one little complaint about Alan. He lured one of my long-time assistants, Win Griffith, back to California to take the job of Chief Deputy Controller. ↳ Win also happened to write a book about me last year. I am not sure I like the implication of his departure from Washington. namely -

^ that there's nothing more to write about Humphrey. - Win,  
I think there are a few chapters left in me yet.

↳ In my salute to California, its people and their leaders tonight, my real purpose is to ask you to salute yourselves for your achievements.

*Gov  
Says!*

I am fully aware of the phenomenal growth  
of California and the incredible changes caused by  
that growth. Politics is no picnic in a state as vast  
and as complex as California. Government service  
and leadership is no simple task in a state of almost  
19 million people - - many of them unsettled, most  
of them young, and all of them demanding services  
and attention but often reluctant to pay the costs.

I come from Minnesota! That state of three-  
and-a-half million people faces many political  
problems and governmental challenges. But comparing  
the politics of Minnesota to the politics of California  
is like comparing a game of checkers with a game of  
three-dimensional chess.

~~The problems and conflicts you face in governing  
California and in operating your own party are natural  
and inevitable in a state with such great and urgent  
issues.~~

Some old fashioned advice, now!

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↳ I urge you all in ~~California~~ to put aside any preoccupation with disputes and problems and begin to take more pride in your solid achievements and challenges.

~~↳ Your Governor, your constitutional officers, and your legislative leaders have done far more than keep pace with the growth of California and cope with its problems in the past seven years. You and they~~

~~Legislative leaders~~ have truly pioneered a new frontier in honest, practical, progressive and compassionate government.

↳ I salute you for building an educational system - from pre-school through the university level - which is second to none in the world.

↳ I salute you for breaking a delicate, regional stalemate to move ahead with an historic water <sup>system</sup> program ~~and system~~ which is today strengthening your state and saving the lives of people previously threatened by floods!

Legislative Leaders

2500  
1/2

I salute you for your highway and freeway  
program - - for your accelerated effort to  
landscape and beautify those roadways.

I salute you for your continuing development  
of new agricultural techniques, for your enlightened  
programs of care for the elderly and deprived, for the  
great strides you have made in the field of health, for  
your successful efforts to create new jobs and reduce  
unemployment and for your determination to  
translate the concept of civil rights into the "reality  
of human rights" for all Californians.

And I salute you for your spectacular success  
in encouraging industrial expansion, which, among  
other things, has resulted in 52 per cent of the nation's  
aerospace contracts coming to California. (But, <sup>Pat,</sup> please,  
leave something for the rest of the country.)

~~But~~

My ultimate salute to you is not based on these big and dramatic programs. What impresses me most about your Governor and leaders and party is your imaginative efforts to try the new, to experiment, to venture into fresh areas.

Experiment

I can honestly say that one of the most dramatic new projects anywhere in this nation is your Governor's program to utilize the techniques and genius of the aerospace industry to devise whole new approaches for the challenges of ~~crime~~ of our cities ~~of crime~~, transportation, waste management, and information retrieval.

In this, you are doing what ~~any~~ <sup>an</sup> enlightened and modern group of political leaders and government officials should do.

~~Large handwritten scribble~~

↳ You are marshaling the best brains and the best techniques of our nation, not just to send rockets into space, but to solve human problems here on earth.

30 Billions  
for Moon  
Investor  
Earth!

I Salute You!

↳ I am sure there are timid souls in California, as well as elsewhere, who will suggest that the aerospace studies will come up with ideas and solutions which are. . . "far out". . . "wild". . . "impractical". . . "nutty."



↳ Do not heed the skepticism of those who know that things won't work. ↳ I have had a bit of experience with the type.

↳ I can remember when I first advanced the idea of a Food for Peace program. That, the cynics suggested, was a "far out" idea.

I can remember when I first advocated a determined effort to negotiate for a nuclear test-ban treaty. That, of course, was "impractical."

I can remember calling for the establishment of a United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. That was a "wild" idea.

I can remember when I introduced the first bill to establish the Peace Corps. "Humphrey,"

*some*  
~~they~~ said, "You are nuts." *this tops them all*

*But* Right now, I turn the table and ask you to

join with Democrats and others throughout the nation in a salute to the magnificent achievements of the Johnson Administration and <sup>89th</sup> Congress ~~in the~~ year 1965.

I know that San Francisco is normally considered by national speakers to be a forum for discussion of international affairs.

I have done so in most of my visits here. But let us break the pattern tonight and examine our historic achievements at home this year. In America, today, we are building the base for a stronger and better country, able to carry its burdens at home and in the world.

Long Run!

~~Only a few years ago, I heard experts in and out of the Congress say that this or that program or idea could not possibly be translated into legislative action.~~

Record  
89th  
Cong!

~~In 1965,~~ We have a great and bold program of hospital and health insurance care for the elderly through the social security system - - diminishing the fear and enhancing the dignity of our senior citizens. ~~They said it couldn't be done.~~

Medicare

Health

↳ ~~In 1965~~, We

have an 800 million dollar program to provide community health centers, aid for handicapped children, medical research and construction of research facilities. ~~They said it couldn't be done.~~

Heart, cancer, stroke!

Schools

↳

We have an unprecedented program of aid for elementary and secondary schools, with emphasis on the needs of children in low-income families.

Edus

Higher  
educ

↳

We have a great program of aid for higher education through construction grants and scholarship opportunities for our young people.

Farm

↳

We have a new farm bill that breaks the old patterns and will open a new era for rural America.

↳

We have a practical, well-founded anti-poverty program.

anti  
Poverty!

Seek to help.

Voting Rights

↳ We have a new law assuring ~~the exercise~~ of voting rights for all of our citizens, a vital and significant addition to the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Immig

↳ We have an enlightened immigration law which ends the primitive and discriminatory old "national origins quota system."

77K  
H.H. II

↳ We have a new cabinet-level Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Cities  
80%

↳ We now have a new four-year, 7 billion dollar ~~public~~ housing ~~program.~~ urban development

Prog.

↳ We now have federal programs to promote the arts and humanities, to beautify our highways, to help end pollution of our water and air -- to invest, to build, to strengthen America and to improve the lives and opportunities of all citizens.

Arts  
Beauty

Opportunity is the  
Hall Mark!

They said it couldn't - or shouldn't - be  
done, most of it or any of it.

I am proud to have been a part of the President's  
successful, determined effort to achieve all these  
programs - - and many more.

It is time for all  
Democrats to express pride in these achievements. !

and  
Right now I want to hear from you a salute so  
enthusiastic that the message will echo into Death  
Valley and send the Righteous, Rampart-defending  
Reagans of the Right back to the 18th century,  
or the movie studios, or wherever it is they came  
from.

I leave you with a serious plea and  
challenge. In California and nationally, old  
problems still exist, New problems will greet us  
tomorrow.

↳ New challenges will require the toil and contribution of all of us. !

↳ Do not fool yourselves, The Republican Party is not about to wither away. The smog which poisons our skies will not disappear just because we have passed a few new programs. ↳ Our political adversaries and our social needs will not disappear just because we point with pride to our record.

↳ If we do not constantly renew and strengthen our sense of commitment to build a better life for all Californians and all Americans, our efforts will be languid and our successes meager.

*Parade for Patriots!*

↳ The President is committed -- in mind, heart, and soul -- to building a stronger and better America and a world of peace.

Ⓟ - Pursue Peace - Build Peace -  
"Get out of Vietnam" - Stop the War - Negotiate

Governor Brown is committed - - just as  
totally - - to building a stronger and better  
California.

I challenge you to commit yourselves to the  
victory of Governor Pat Brown and the Democratic  
Party in 1966.

1968 is not far ahead. Let us keep California  
moving and let us keep California Democratic.

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