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St Cloud  
Browns  
REMARKS

✓ Karl Rolvaag  
✓ Walter Mondale

BY VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

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✓ Alec Olson (my confidant)

MONTEVIDEO, MINNESOTA

~~Don Hansen~~ D.F. Team

NOVEMBER 6, 1966

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to Montevideo

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Doc  
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Cond Rep.

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Randy

Reps Harry Peterson

Thanks!

Rolls!!

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*They do work and they have benefitted the farmer and the nation.*

*Here's the Record!*

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*new day*

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*Expand*

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Of Our Economy Now

1956-61 <sup>11%</sup>  
61-66

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*James*

*[Large handwritten scribble]*

*State #*

*Republican  
Attack!*

*Goldwater*

Rolvaag

Minnesota with

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Olson

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Olson

Rural America

Fred Marshall

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Republicans explain  
Pango Pango

Farmers want more  
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Education  
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Now on conclusion  
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Hunger  
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LET US, IN THE WORLD, ACT IN THE SAME SPIRIT THAT TODAY IS EVERYWHERE IN OUR SOCIETY AT HOME -- A SPIRIT OF BUILDING, OF PROGRESS, OF COMMITMENT TO EQUALITY AND JUSTICE.

LET US USE THE TREMENDOUS RESOURCES AT OUR COMMAND TO BRING HEALTH, EDUCATION, FOOD AND THE TECHNIQUES OF MODERN AGRICULTURE TO STRUGGLING NATIONS LIVING IN THE SHADOW OF FAMINE AND OUTSIDE AGGRESSION.

IT IS TODAY OUR CHALLENGE AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY -- TO REPLACE, THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, THE BLIND STARE OF HUNGER AND POVERTY WITH THE CLEAR VISION OF A FREER AND HAPPIER DAY AHEAD.

IF WE MEET THAT RESPONSIBILITY, WE HAVE THE CHANCE -- AS FEW OTHERS HAVE -- TO BE REMEMBERED IN HISTORY NOT AS MAKERS OF WAR, BUT AS MAKERS OF PEACE ... NOT FOR OUR WEALTH, BUT FOR OUR COMPASSION ... NOT FOR OUR THINGS, BUT FOR OUR IDEAS.

I HAVE FAITH THAT WE AMERICANS -- AND ESPECIALLY THOSE AMERICANS WHO DRAW THEIR STRENGTH FROM THE RICH EARTH -- WILL PROVE EQUAL TO THAT RESPONSIBILITY.

I HAVE FAITH WHAT OUR PRODUCTIVITY, OUR EXPERIENCE, OUR KNOWLEDGE,  
OUR DETERMINATION, CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN THE BUILDING OF A WORLD WHERE  
LIGHTS SHINE FORTH FROM EVERY WINDOW ... WHERE THE BOUNTY OF EARTH WAVES  
FROM ACROSS OPEN FIELDS ... WHERE CHILDREN STAND STRONG AND STRAIGHT  
TO FACE A FUTURE FILLED WITH PEACE AND PROMISE.



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