

1 ^{Mansfield Endowment Series}
^{Aug. 24, 1967 - Shaton Park Hotel, Wash D.C.}
THIS AFTERNOON I WAS DISCUSSING TONIGHT'S OCCASION
WITH ~~PRESIDENT JOHNSON~~ ^{Secretary}. HE ASKED ME WHAT THE EXACT TITLE
OF THE SERIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA WOULD BE. I
TOLD HIM THEY WERE TO BE ENTITLED "THE MANSFIELD LECTURES
IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS." THE ~~PRESIDENT~~ ^{Secretary} LOOKED GRAVE
AND ASKED, "HUBERT, YOU MEAN THERE ARE MORE TO COME?"

2 I UNDERSTAND THIS GRAND EVENT WILL HELP SUPPORT AN
HONORARIUM FOR A MIKE MANSFIELD LECTURE SERIES TO BE HELD
EACH YEAR FOR 2 WEEKS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA. I WANT
YOU TO KNOW THAT MIKE HAS RECOMMENDED ME AS THE FIRST GUEST
LECTURER. HE THOUGHT I WAS ONE OF THE FEW MEN WHO COULD
ACTUALLY STAND UP AND LECTURE FOR 2 WEEKS STRAIGHT. I AM

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THANKFUL TO WAYNE MORSE AND JACK JAVITS FOR NOT
ENTERING THE COMPETITION THIS YEAR.

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MIKE IS NOT GIVEN TO EXCESS VERBIAGE, AS YOU ALL
KNOW -- AND WHILE I WAS WHIP OF THE SENATE -- UNDER HIS
GREAT LEADERSHIP -- I WAS NOT GENERALLY KNOWN AS THE
SILENT PARTNER. AFTER ONE PARTICULARLY LENGTHY
EXHORTATION I SAT DOWN QUITE PLEASED. MIKE, WHO HAD
SAT PATIENTLY AND SILENTLY THROUGHOUT MY ADDRESS,

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TURNED AND SAID, "HUBERT, YOU'RE A THING OF
BEAUTY AND A JAW FOREVER."

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FROM MY PERCH IN THE SENATE, I HAVE FINALLY FOUND
THE REASON FOR MIKE MANSFIELD'S SERENITY OVER THE YEARS
IN LEADING THE SENATE TO THE ENACTMENT OF THE GREATEST
LEGISLATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY.

MIKE HAS THE UNIQUE ABILITY TO EXTRACT FROM THE MOST
HOPELESSLY FRUSTRATING PREDICAMENT A DIMENSION OF CHEER

4A THAT CARRIES HIM AND THE SENATE THROUGH TO SUCCESS, I CAN REMEMBER ON MANY OCCASIONS SEEING MIKE IN HIS FRONT ROW SEAT SHOWING NO DISCONTENT WHILE ABSORBING THE ENDLESS NON-EARTHSHAKINGLY, NON-PERSUASIVE AND NON-SWEET SOUNDING SPEECHES OF A SPEAKER CONVINCED THAT QUANTITY OF WORDS WILL WIN THE DAY.

4B WHEN MOST MEN'S PATIENCE WOULD HAVE BEEN WORN THREADBARE, MIKE WOULD JUST GAIN SUSTENANCE BY LOOKING UP AT THE PRESIDING OFFICER'S CHAIR AND SEEING ME SITTING THERE MUZZLED BY THE RULES OF THE SENATE.

5 ONE MISCONCEPTION AMONG A FEW UNINFORMED OBSERVERS IS THAT OF MIKE MANSFIELD AS A DISPASSIONATE, ALOOF, PROFESSORIAL SORT. WELL, LET ME SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT AS ONE WHO WORKED UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP IN THE FIGHT FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, THE NUCLEAR TEST BAN TREATY, FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION, AND MEDICARE, ANY COMPARISON BETWEEN MIKE

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MANSFIELD AND MR. CHIPS IS TOTALLY ERRONEOUS. MIKE
CARES VERY, VERY DEEPLY ABOUT PEOPLE -- AND IN ANY FIGHT
IT'S NOT THE NUMBER OF PUNCHES THROWN, BUT THE NUMBER
THAT LAND. MIKE MANSFIELD NEVER WASTES A PUNCH -- MIKE
WILL ALWAYS BE AN UNCHALLENGEABLE CHAMPION.



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