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NATION CAN SOLVE ITS PROBLEMS UNDER DEMOCRATIC
LEADERSHIP, HUMPHREY SAYS

Utica, N. Y., October 8 -- Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey said tonight that "there is still a lot wrong with this country" and declared that "only the liberal Democratic faith -- faith in the people, faith in the country -- that sustained Harry Truman, and John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson can fix it."

"Richard Nixon and the Republican Party can't fix it. And neither can an apostle of racism and bigotry with a bomber for a running-mate," the Democratic nominee said.

Speaking at Utica Memorial Auditorium, Humphrey said Richard Nixon is taking his victory for granted. "Well, exactly twenty years ago this October, another Republican candidate took the American people for granted. And today he is known as former Governor Dewey and not as former President Dewey.

"When Richard Nixon takes the people for granted, he is really taking it for granted that they are unhappy and desperate enough to elect even Richard Nixon President of the United States. I don't think things are that bad," Humphrey said.

Humphrey again called on his opponents to make clear their positions on major issues. "My Republican opponent has, as usual, remained silent on how to achieve peace" in Vietnam. "I challenge him to tell the people what he would do about Vietnam if he were elected President and to tell them now."

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The text of his remarks is attached.

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REMARKS
VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY
UTICA, NEW YORK
OCTOBER 8, 1968

I've been traveling this country now for weeks, from Florida to Oregon, from New York to California, and it's nice to be in the best Democratic city in upstate New York.

I've been doing a good deal of talking. But I've been doing some listening, too.

And I think I know as much as the pollsters know about what's on people's minds in this critical election year.

The people feel the country is in trouble.

They are deeply concerned.

They know the choice they have to make November 5 is one of the most important of their political lives.

And I know what questions they are asking themselves.

Which candidate and which party can you trust?

Which candidate and which party can end the war?

And they are asking: Which candidate and which party can hold this country together?

But look at the way this campaign is being run.

The third party candidate has made an organized and deliberate appeal to hate, to fear, to anger, to frustration, to all that's worst in America. Is that any way to run for President of the United States?

Now he's added to his ticket a bombing general who thinks the nuclear bomb is just another weapon -- who once suggested that we bomb North Viet Nam back to the Stone Age.

Brute force at home and catastrophic force abroad -- between them General LeMay would bomb Viet Nam back to the Stone Age and George Wallace would drive this country back to the Stone Age. But I don't think they're going to get a chance.

My Republican opponent is more careful. In the South he says he will not use the only effective federal instrument to enforce the Supreme Court school decision -- but in the North he says he doesn't really mean it. In the North he stood silent during the ugly campaign against Mr. Justice Fortas -- and in the South he slyly joined it.

He says he is for the treaty to stop the spread of nuclear weapons -- but he is against ratifying it now and he will not encourage the Senate to ratify it.

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He has stood absolutely silent on Viet Nam.

But while Mr. Nixon has been silent, his campaign managers have been mailing secret messages to special interests, such as the stock market traders on Wall Street, assuring them that a Nixon administration will look after their interests.

Mr. Nixon himself has spent most of the campaign vacationing. But the White House is no place for a vacationer -- and the people know it.

The public opinion polls, the Republican newspapers, and all the conventional wisdom have convinced him he is going to win. And so he has taken the American people for granted.

Well, exactly twenty years ago this October another Republican candidate took the American people for granted. And today he is known as former Governor Dewey and not as former President Dewey.

When Richard Nixon takes the people for granted, he is really taking it for granted that they are unhappy and desperate enough to elect even Richard Nixon President of the United States. I don't think things are that bad. They may seem bad, but they're not that bad.

I say you can't trust a candidate like George Wallace whose only appeal is to people's fears. And you can't trust a candidate like Richard Nixon who refuses to speak out on vital issues and who says one thing in the North and another thing in the South.

It's time somebody appealed to the best in the American people, not the worst. And that's what I've tried to do.

Where do my opponents stand on the greatest torment of our people today -- the cruel war in Viet Nam?

All three presidential candidates say they want peace.

My Republican opponent has, as usual, remained silent on how to achieve peace. Apparently on election day he will still be testing the public opinion winds to see whether they favor the hawk or the dove. I challenge him to speak out now. I challenge him to tell the people what he would do about Viet Nam if he were elected President and to tell them now.

Mr. Wallace has no experience representing the United States in foreign affairs... and he has General LeMay at his right hand.

I have spelled out my own views. I do not favor unilateral withdrawal from Viet Nam. Nor do I favor further military escalation. I favor de-escalation. I insist on an end to corruption in Saigon. I insist that the South Vietnamese

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do more of their own fighting. And as President I shall be prepared to order an end to the bombing of North Viet Nam as the first step toward achieving an honorable negotiated peace.

And where do they stand on domestic issues--social security, education, medicare, economic growth and prosperity?

The third party candidate has said little about these issues this year, but for 25 years he has opposed everything the working man has fought for. His appeal for the working man's support is phoney--and you know it.

He cannot be elected President--and he knows it. And a vote for Wallace will help Richard Nixon, and if Nixon and the Republicans get in, you can count on having a recession in nothing flat.

The Republican candidate has made the usual election-year Republican noises--but throughout his career he too has fought the programs that have brought you unparalleled prosperity, the liberal Democratic programs that have given you protection against depression and impoverished old age and economic exploitation. And you know it.

The last time my Republican opponent held public office he had three economic recessions in a row. And you know it.

And if the Republicans get in again you can expect more of the same.

And this, too, you know--that Democratic administrations of John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson have given this country the longest unbroken period of prosperity and high employment in history. That is why your papers report that there are seven hundred skilled jobs unfilled in Utica today. That means higher pay, more overtime--the kind of economy that keeps your house payments up to date and your bills paid.

And you know you can trust the Democratic Party to keep it up--and that's what Ed Muskie and I are going to do.

Yes, there is still a lot wrong with this country--but Richard Nixon and the Republican Party can't fix it. And neither can an apostle of racism and bigotry with a bomber for a running-mate.

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Out of this time of trouble, out of this time of uncertainty and unease, in this year of rage, the people must make a clear and responsible choice. We can only vote for one man to be the President of us all.

I believe the United States is the greatest country in the world.

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I want to build this nation, not tear it down.
I want to unite this people, not divide them.
I offer you no easy answers. There are none.
But I make my appeal to reason, not to passion.
I appeal to hope, not to fear.
I choose to speak, not stand silent.
And I ask your help in this election.

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Mary

PROGRAM

- 1. STAR SPANGLED BANNER Played by West Canada Valley high school under the direction of Vernon Harris
Sung by: McKinley Collins
- 2. WELCOME ED. WASZKIEWITZ M.C.
- 3. INVOCATION REV. FRANKLIN UPTHEGROVE
- 4. INTRODUCTION of people on the stage
- 5. ENTERTAINMENT
 - a. ~~NEW HARTFORD high school band - "Salutation" 2min~~
directed by Ken Fryer
 - b. ~~WEBB TILTON Country and Western recording star 12min~~
 - c. ~~TOMMY JAMES and the SHONDELLS 20min~~
 - d. ~~MAGNIFICENT YANKEES (selection of marches) 5min~~
 - e. ~~_____ 3min~~
 - f. ~~SHELLY WINTERS 12min~~
 - g. ~~SCREAMING EAGLES directed by Jos. Byrd 3min~~
(Eagles perform 3 min then stand at attention and march and pass through a _____ they have made)
 - h. ~~WEST CANADA VALLEY (without introduction) Plays MINNESOTA ROWSER, RUFFLES AND FLOURISHES and STEP TO THE REAR. (this is V.P. music)~~
- 6. VICE PRESIDENT nad contingent seated
- 7. Screaming Eagles (cont) 7 min.
- 8. INTRODUCTION of Jiampietro and Assaro (3 min speech each)
- 9. INTRODUCTION of N.Y. Democrat State Chairman - JOHN BURN
- 10 VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

*Whitesboro
Hr. School*

Before we leave!

Screaming Eagles

Our Young People

*Balloons
Hands
Young People
Crowd
Outside!*

Anthony

~~San~~ Montoya / cong
Jacobson / 320
in Vietnam

mrs
H.A.H.

Orcida
Klethner
Madison
Lewis

REMARKS

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY

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- Dr. Arthur Kaplan
- William Ribiyat
- Fred Moylan
- Benny Niles
- Vince Esposito

UTICA, NEW YORK
OCTOBER 7, 1968
Skyler
Littell
Romeo
Leticia
Hurliman
Whitestown

Sketch
- John Burns
- Dick Assaro
- Dick Jampietro
- Ch Jampietro

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Pietro
Dionis
Stalat

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~~Not in release~~

~~(Ad lib passage. These are serious concerns. I have my
shortcomings, nobody knows it better.)~~

~~Resume release~~

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' Nixon's advisors think he's winning so they're
advising him to say nothing, think nothing, do
nothing -- and these are three things he does
rather well.

~~We~~ need a President to look after the
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People's Interest!

↳ But while Mr. Nixon has been silent, his campaign managers have been mailing secret messages to special interests, such as the stock market traders on Wall Street, assuring them that a Nixon administration will look after their interests.

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I intend to do to Nixon what Truman did to Dewey
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↳ And where do they stand on domestic issues -- social security, education, medicare, economic growth and prosperity?

Where do they stand on
Urban Programs-
Farm Programs- milk

up on Against Aid to Educ

Against medicine

Against Text Book

Against - Peace Corps

Against - Aid to Depressed
Areas

Against Labor!!

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more of the same - yes!

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I ask you:

↳ Which candidate, and which party, have consistently
fought to bring economic benefits to all our people?

And which have not?

- You know + America Knows!

↳ Which candidate, and which party, have fought for
Medicare... for civil rights... for expanded Social Security... for
federal aid to education ... for decent housing... for Project Head
Start... for a Job Corps and a Peace Corps?

↳ And which have opposed them?

*- You know!
I tried*

↳ Which candidate, and which party, have ~~been devoted~~
to control ~~a~~ nuclear weapons... to building new international
institutions for peace... to playing a creative role of leadership
in this world?

*- You know!
America knows!*

Party Candidate
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↳ And which have either obstructed these efforts...

opposed them outright...or asked for delay on delay on delay?

↳ You know the answers and so do I. - McCarthy is the one!!

choice

↳ The choice is not only between Richard Nixon, George Wallace and Hubert Humphrey. - It's Between Sping Agnew - General LeMay + Ed Muskie

↳ It is between our political philosophies...the way we see our country and the world...the way we see our responsibilities to human beings in this country.

↳ America must ask: Which man of these three can bring peace?

Which one of these Teams - Wallace + LeMay
Nixon + Agnew
Humphrey + Muskie
can best
safeguard
our
freedom

↳ Which man of these three can bring unity to our people? -- Unity based not on fear and repression, but on the faith of Americans in each other.

↳ Which man of these three can keep this economy moving forward -- so that we can keep growing and meeting the needs of our people?

Young
People

Now is the time that America must choose.

Out of this time of trouble, out of this time of uncertainty and unease, in this year of rage, America must make a clear and responsible choice.

I believe the United States is the greatest country in the world.

I want to build this nation, not tear it down.

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I offer you no easy answers. There are none.

But I make my appeal to reason, not to passion.

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And I ask your help in this election.

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