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HUMPHREY SUMS UP CAMPAIGN TO DATE; CITES MAJOR ISSUES

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"We are now moving into the home stretch, and the time has come to put the major issues into real perspective," former Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey told a DFL audience in Alexandria last night.

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"Two weeks from tonight the voters of Minnesota will go to the polls to make their choice for Senator. To do that they will have to separate the fact from the fiction and the substance from the shadows of this campaign. They will have to decide which of the candidates will best serve their interest and the interests of all the people of Minnesota on the great issues of today.

2 weeks

- John Kemp - Home

"As I see it, the major issue in Minnesota today is an economic one. This is where the parties and the candidates have basic disagreements. In my judgment the current administration, with the wholehearted, enthusiastic backing of my opponent, has cause great and unnecessary suffering in Minnesota and across this nation.

Economic

my opponent

"Once again we have the Republicans reverting to the bankrupt farm policies of Ezra Taft Benson leading to ruinous surpluses and depressed prices. Republican agricultural policy is doing to our farmers what Republican economic policy is doing to workers, namely lower and lower income for more and more farmers and increasing unemployment for more and more workers.

Farm Benson

"More than four and a half million Americans are out of work today a million and a half more than when this administration took office twenty months ago. Unemployment in Minnesota is up to nearly five and a half percent - there are pockets of unemployment in this state of as high as twenty-five percent. With soaring consumer prices - six percent higher than a year ago - farm income is still depressed. Interest rates are at an all time high. And all of this is part of a deliberate policy - supported by my

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opponent - to slow down the economy. A so-called anti-inflation policy that I call anti-people.

"The facts are that this has come about due to this administration's reluctance to use the powers of government to maintain full employment and to keep prices down. They have been willing to spend money on super-weapons, supersonic transports and super bankrupt railroads - but not on federal aid to education - which could relieve the burden on local property owners. Yes, and they cut medical research and housing for our senior citizens as further examples of their anti-people policies.

Boys

"What they don't understand is that there is more to running the government of the United States than keeping the books or re-shuffling a few agencies down in Washington.

"I say that the economy is the number one issue because there is disagreement between the parties and candidates about it. On the other major issues, there is little substantive clash. On the issue of 'law and order' both parties and both candidates are agreed that there must be firm action to ensure the safety of all Americans.

"The Republican partisan notion that Democrats are 'soft' or 'permissive' is pure rubbish. This election is not between 'tough guys' and 'soft guys' - it's between Democrats and Republicans and both parties and both candidates want firm and just law and order.

Law  
order

"And so too with the issue of peace in the world. Both parties, both candidates want peace above all, as do all Americans.

"We must take the troops out of Viet Nam with the greatest possible speed. We must find the path to a negotiated political settlement. We must arrange for top-level annual meetings with the Soviet leaders to implement mutual disarmament. We must continue to press for a rapid settlement of the conflict in the Middle East.

Peace

"The people of Minnesota must soon make their choice as to which candidate can best handle the major issues of the day. Properly exercising their franchise, Minnesotans will judge the candidates on the basis of experience, judgment, past performance, knowledge and trust."

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