

Economics

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Akron

Cost of living

Dollar

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Crime

AKRON, OHIO

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Topics

I'M TIRED OF GOING ACROSS THIS COUNTRY SEEING
EMPTY FACTORIES, ABANDONED FARMS AND CITIES THAT
ARE DECAYING AND DYING.

THIS IS WRONG.

I'M TIRED OF HEARING A REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION
SAY TO WORKING FAMILIES HERE IN AKRON:

YOU MUST FIGHT INFLATION. WE WILL RIGIDLY
HOLD DOWN YOUR WAGE INCREASES TO LESS THAN 6 PER CENT.
BUT WE WILL LET OUR FRIENDS, THE BIG BANKS, THE
CONGLOMMERATES AND THE GIANT RUBBER COMPANIES REAP
RECORD PROFITS.

FIRESTONE--HEADQUARTERED HERE IN AKRON--SHOWS A PROFIT

INCREASE OF NEARLY 23 PER CENT THIS QUARTER. AND GOODYEAR

ANNOUNCED FIRST QUARTER RECORD NET SALES, PROFITS. I'M

ALL FOR THE PROFIT SYSTEM. BUT HOW MANY OF YOU HAD A

23 PER CENT INCREASE IN YOUR WAGES OVER THE LAST YEAR?

THIS IS WRONG. THIS IS UNFAIR.

I'M TIRED OF HEARING ABOUT AKRON FAMILIES WHO HAVE
TO DIP INTO HARD EARNED SAVINGS IN ORDER TO PAY THEIR
BILLS, TO BUY HIGH-PRICED FOOD AT THE SUPERMARKETS AND
WHO CAN'T AFFORD TO SEND THEIR KIDS TO COLLEGE IN
A STATE THAT HAS SOME OF THE BEST SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY.

THIS IS WRONG. THIS IS UNFAIR.

I'M TIRED OF LEARNING ABOUT FAMILIES THAT ARE
WIPED OUT BY SKYROCKETING HEALTH COSTS WHEN SOMEBODY
GETS SICK.

THIS IS WRONG. THIS IS UNFAIR.

I'M TIRED OF HEARING ABOUT THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION'S
GAME PLAN WHICH HAS THROWN 14,000 PEOPLE OUT OF WORK IN
THE AKRON AREA BECAUSE JOBS ARE NOT THE FIRST ECONOMIC
PRIORITY OF THIS BIG BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

I'M TIRED OF KNOWING THAT TOO MANY AKRON FAMILIES
ARE A PAY DAY OR TWO AWAY FROM BANKRUPTCY AND ARE FORCED
TO BORROW FROM FINANCE AND CREDIT COMPANIES TO PAY THEIR
BILLS.

THIS IS WRONG, THIS IS UNFAIR.

I'M TIRED OF HEARING NIXON AND CONNALLY ACCUSING
THE UNIONS OF SABOTAGING ECONOMIC PROGRESS IN THIS NATION.
RIGHT HERE IN AKRON THE LOCAL LABOR UNIONS HAVE
APPROACHED MANAGEMENT AND HAVE ASKED HOW THEY CAN
WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE THE JOB SITUATION IN THE
AKRON RUBBER INDUSTRY. IS THIS SABOTAGE? NO. IT
IS UNSELFISH EFFORT ON THE PART OF LABOR TO STRENGTHEN
THE ECONOMY OF THIS COMMUNITY.

I'D LIKE TO ASK MR. NIXON SOME QUESTIONS:

WHY DO YOU STAND IDLY BY WHILE A WORKER IN
AKRON PAYS UPWARD TO 20 PER CENT OF HIS EARNINGS ON

TAXES AND GIANT OIL CORPORATIONS EARNING BILLIONS
PAY LESS THAN 10 PER CENT IN TAXES?

IS THIS FAIR, MR. NIXON? WE KNOW IT ISN'T.

WHY HAVE YOU LET 112 PERSONS WITH INCOMES OF
OVER \$200,000 A YEAR COMPLETELY ESCAPE THE FEDERAL
TAX COLLECTOR? HERE IT IS IN HEADLINES IN THE CLEVELAND
PAPER? HOW CAN YOU LET THIS HAPPEN, WHY HAVEN'T YOU
URGED THAT THESE GIANT LOOPHOLES FOR THE PRIVILEGED FEW
BE CLOSED?

IS THIS FAIR, MR. NIXON? WE KNOW IT ISN'T.

WHY HAVE YOU LET CORPORATE EXECUTIVES GET ENORMOUS
SALARY INCREASES--HENRY FORD JUST GOT A LITTLE BONUS OF

\$189,000 TO BOOST HIS PAY TO A TIDY \$789,000 A YEAR.

IS THIS FAIR, MR. NIXON? WE KNOW IT ISN'T.

WHY DO MILLIONS OF WORKING AMERICANS FEEL THAT
THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS SLAMMED THE DOOR ON ECONOMIC
OPPORTUNITY AND ADVANCEMENT AT A TIME WHEN PROFITS ARE
UP AND EARNINGS ARE UP?

IS THIS FAIR, MR. NIXON. WE KNOW IT ISN'T.

ONE THING IS CLEAR: THE WORKING PEOPLE OF AKRON
OHIO HAVE KEPT THEIR SIDE OF THE BARGAIN IN RICHARD
NIXON'S PLAN TO FIGHT INFLATION. BUT CORPORATIONS HAVE
BEEN ALLOWED TO RAISE THEIR PRICES AT A RATE OF

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OVER TWICE THE LEVEL ESTABLISHED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.

RICHARD RICHARD NIXON'S GAME PLAN ISN'T WORKING BECAUSE

HE HASN'T APPLIED IT ACROSS THE BOARD. HE'S LET HIS

BIG BUSINESS FRIENDS OFF EASILY.

THE TIME HAS COME TO GET RICHARD NIXON OUT OF

THE WHITE HOUSE AND LET FAIRNESS FOR ALL AMERICANS IN

THE DOOR OF THE OVAL OFFICE.

I'M NOT GOING TO SIT BACK AND LET THINGS CONTINUE

AS THEY ARE. THAT'S WHY I'VE COME TO OHIO IN SEARCH OF

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT.

THE MAN WHO SITS IN THE WHITE HOUSE CAN DO

SOMETHING ABOUT HIGH PRICES, HIGH TAXES AND UNEMPLOYMENT.

Bob Blakeman
(Rita)

Frank
King

Bob
Hill

Don
Tucker

Sen
O'Rourke

+ Rich
Moley

CUTTING YOUR TAXES, AND MAKING THE SPECIAL
INTERESTS PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE TAKES GUTS, COURAGE, AND
KNOW HOW.

AS PRESIDENT, I WOULD SAY: NO SPECIAL DEALS FOR
ANYONE.

AS PRESIDENT, I WOULD SAY: BIG BUSINESS WILL HAVE
TO PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE.

AS PRESIDENT, I WOULD SAY: EVERY AMERICAN WHO
WANTS TO WORK WILL HAVE A JOB.

AS PRESIDENT, I WOULD SAY: I WILL LIFT THE PROPERTY
TAX BURDEN OFF THE BACKS OF THE AMERICAN HOMEOWNER.

AS PRESIDENT, I WOULD SAY: MY ADMINISTRATION WILL

NOT OPEN ITS DOORS TO THE PRIVILEGED FEW AND WE WILL NOT
BAR WORKING AMERICANS FROM THE HALLS OF GOVERNMENT.

AS PRESIDENT, I WOULD SAY: I'M GOING TO HAVE
A SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT WHO WILL
STOP PUSHING PAPER AND MAKE A PLEDGE TO RENEW AND
REVITALIZE DOWNTOWN AKRON.

HELP ELECT ME YOUR PRESIDENT AND TOGETHER WE WILL
MAKE GOVERNMENT FAIR AGAIN. HELP ELECT ME YOUR
PRESIDENT AND WORKING PEOPLE WILL HAVE A VOICE IN
THE WHITE HOUSE. ~~HELP ELECT ME YOUR PRESIDENT AND WE~~
~~AND WORKING PEOPLE WILL HAVE A VOICE IN THE WHITE HOUSE.~~
HELP ELECT ME YOUR PRESIDENT AND WE WILL GET THE COUNTRY
MOVING AGAIN.

TODAY, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WHEN GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE
FORM AN ACTIVE, PROGRESSIVE PARTNERSHIP TO BUILD A
BETTER AMERICA.



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