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And Albert

"DEMOCRATIC FOLLIES AND FALLACIES"

*also used
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REMARKS BEFORE NATIONAL COAL ASSN. CONVENTION--MON. JUNE 20

Steve Dunning / delegates to the convention

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT AND GLORIOUS

LAND OF OURS: - LBJ

It may have been said before but it seems appropos

^{1 & should} LET ME ANNOUNCE AT THE OUTSET THAT IF THE DEMOCRATS
WILL PLEDGE NOT TO TELL ANY LIES ABOUT US, WE REPUBLICANS
PROMISE NOT TO TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT THEM.

I COME BEFORE YOU TODAY WITH A PLATFORM WHICH IS
CALCULATED TO WIN EVERY VOTE IN THE COUNTRY, A PLATFORM
WHICH IS MADE UP OF THOROUGHLY UNATTAINABLE OBJECTIVES
WITH PLANKS THAT ARE MADE TO GET IN ON, NOT TO STAND ON.

IF THE PLEDGES IN THAT PLATFORM ARE CARRIED OUT BY THE
CONGRESS, EVERY MAN IN AMERICA WILL LIVE IN A SPLIT LEVEL
HOUSE ON A COUNTRY ESTATE, THERE WILL BE TWO CARS IN EVERY
GARAGE, T-BONE STEAKS SIZZLING ON THE PATIO EVERY NIGHT,



ROCK-AND-ROLL MUSIC FOR EVERY TEENAGER IN THE COUNTRY FROM DAWN TO MIDNIGHT AND FREE EAR PLUGS FOR EVERY ADULT. IN SHORT, WE WILL HAVE ALL THE GOODIES MAO TSE-TUNG PROMISED THE PEASANTS DURING THE GREAT LEAP FORWARD.

WE REPUBLICANS HAVE FINALLY SEEN THE WISDOM IN THE *traditional* DEMOCRATS VICTORY FORMULA THAT SAYS THERE IS NO POLITICAL SUBSTITUTE FOR SOMETHING FOR NOTHING, EVEN THOUGH THE PEOPLE NEVER GET IT.

SO WE ^{as Republicans} HAVE PICKED UP SOME PLANKS FROM THE DEMOCRATS 1964 PLATFORM, WHICH THEY NATURALLY REJECTED RIGHT AFTER THEY WERE ELECTED, ^{Those Democrat works of 1964, if we can plagiarize them secretly, will make us} ~~AND HAVE PUT TOGETHER~~ A SURE WINNER FOR 1968 ^{with almost}

MANY OF THESE ^{plagiarized} PLANKS NEED NO COMMENTARY, BUT WHERE IT ^{any candidate} BETTER SERVES THE INTERESTS OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY TO DO ^{or a committee} A BIT OF EMBELLISHING, YOU CAN BE CERTAIN I'LL DO JUST THAT. ^{of them all}

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THE FIRST PLANK IS, OF COURSE, DEDICATED TO THAT GREAT MAN OF PEACE, LYNDON B. JOHNSON. IT READS, AND I QUOTE FROM THE 1964 DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM:

"THE SEARCH FOR PEACE REQUIRES THE UTMOST INTELLIGENCE, THE CLEAREST VISION, AND A STRONG SENSE OF REALITY." --AND I MIGHT ADD THAT YOU JUST CAN'T BE A NERVOUS NELLIE AND HAVE PEACE, EITHER.

Democrat
BUT TO CONTINUE WITH THE ¹PLANK AS WRITTEN...

"BECAUSE FOR FOUR YEARS OUR NATION HAS PATIENTLY DEMONSTRATED THESE QUALITIES AND PERSISTENTLY USED THEM, THE WORLD IS CLOSER TO PEACE TODAY THAN IT WAS IN 1960."

That wasn't true then and far from accurate now.

I MIGHT MENTION AT THIS POINT, TOO, THAT THIS PLATFORM



so-called
WITH ITS PLANK ON PEACE IS OFFERED NOT ONLY TO YOU BUT TO
SENATORS FULBRIGHT AND MORSE, TOO, AS A "COVENANT OF UNITY."

What is the record -

AND TO ALL THE YOUNG MEN IN THE NATION, WE WANT TO SAY
THIS, JUST AS THE DEMOCRATS SAID IT IN 1964:

"WE MUST AND WE WILL...PURSUE OUR EXAMINATION OF THE
SELECTIVE SERVICE PROGRAM TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT IT IS
CONTINUED ONLY AS LONG AS IT IS NECESSARY AND THAT WE MEET
OUT MILITARY MANPOWER NEEDS WITHOUT SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC
INJUSTICE."

WE REPUBLICANS WILL BUILD THE PEACE, AS THE DEMOCRATS
PROMISED TO DO IN 1964. WHAT NOBLER STATEMENT CAN BE MADE
THAN THAT OF THE DEMOCRATS TWO YEARS AGO WHEN THEY SAID:

"WE ARE SLOWLY BUT SURELY APPROACHING THE POINT WHERE



EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS PROVIDING FOR INSPECTION AND CONTROL CAN BEGIN TO LIFT THE CRUSHING BURDEN OF ARMAMENTS OFF THE BACKS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD."

IT'S TRUE THAT THE RED CHINESE NOW HAVE THE A-BOMB AND PROBABLY WILL HAVE INTERMEDIATE RANGE MISSILES IN TWO OR THREE YEARS AND INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES INSIDE OF 10 YEARS. BUT WHY WORRY ABOUT THAT? ^{Under the Johnson-Kennedy Administration} WE'RE GOING TO GET RID OF THE ARMAMENTS LOAD ^{— about \$60 billion each 12 months —} EVEN IF WE HAVE TO FIGHT A WAR TO DO IT.

WE CONTINUE TO OPPOSE THE ADMISSION OF RED CHINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, ^{unless & until Peking stops subversion, aggression & terror.} WE REPUBLICANS HAVE SAID THAT BEFORE AND WE SAY IT NOW. THE DEMOCRATS SAID IT IN 1964, BUT THEY HAD NO IDEA THAT ARTHUR GOLDBERG WAS ~~GOING TO HAVE~~ TO MAKE A SPEECH BEFORE THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB IN 1966




AND MIGHT WANT TO TALK ABOUT LETTING RED CHINA INTO THE U.N.

PEACE IN A POLITICAL PLATFORM IS NOT ENOUGH, OF COURSE. WE MUST ALSO HAVE PROSPERITY. WE REPUBLICANS PLEDGE TO PROMOTE A PROSPERITY BUILT NOT ON THE SANDS OF INFLATION BUT ON A SOUND DOLLAR, A PROSPERITY BASED NOT ON TAKING FROM ONE MAN TO GIVE TO ANOTHER BUT ON MAKING EVERY MAN A PROUD AND PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN ABLE TO MAKE HIS OWN WAY.

THE DEMOCRATS PLEDGED PROSPERITY IN 1964 AND IN DOING SO STRESSED "THE IMPORTANCE OF LOW INTEREST RATES." THAT WAS BEFORE LYNDON JOHNSON HIT ON THE IDEA OF POOLING GOVERNMENT LOANS AND SELLING \$5,000-SHARES IN THEM TO BIG-WHEEL INVESTORS WHO WILL GET JUICY RETURNS FROM THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE USE OF THEIR MONEY. THAT WAS BEFORE IT OCCURRED TO MR. JOHNSON THAT IF YOU SELL A PIECE OF

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- almost 6% -



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your assets
Truth in Lending / Truth in Labeling *Truth in Budgeting*
THE ACTION TO THE BIG BOYS, YOU CAN USE THEIR CASH TO HOLD
DOWN THE FEDERAL DEFICIT. THAT WAS BEFORE MR. JOHNSON
DECIDED IT WAS SMARTER TO DRIVE UP INTEREST RATES FOR THE
LITTLE GUY THAN TO CUT BACK ^{*non essential domestic*} GOVERNMENT SPENDING. THAT
WAS BEFORE MR. JOHNSON FIGURED IT WAS BETTER TO CHARGE
THE TAXPAYERS MORE MONEY TO PICK UP THIS OUTSIDE CAPITAL
THAN IT WAS TO POST A \$6 BILLION DEFICIT.

IN 1964 THE DEMOCRATS WERE ^{*ostensibly*} INTERESTED IN ECONOMY AND
IN USING WISELY EVERY DOLLAR OF THE TAXPAYER'S MONEY--OR
SO THEY SAID.

WE REPUBLICANS HEREWITH RENEW OUR CONTINUING PLEDGE
TO TREAT EVERY DOLLAR OF TAX MONEY AS THOUGH IT WERE OUR
OWN. IF WE WERE PRESENTLY IN POWER, WE COULD BORROW THE
WORDS OF THE DEMOCRATS WHO PROMISED IN 1964 TO "CONTINUE



A FRUGAL GOVERNMENT, GETTING A DOLLAR'S VALUE FOR A DOLLAR SPENT."

OF COURSE, THE WAR ON POVERTY AS CONCEIVED BY LBJ, SARGENT SHRIVER, AND ADAM CLAYTON POWELL HAD NOT BEEN LAUNCHED AT THAT TIME, AND THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM WRITERS OF TWO YEARS AGO HAD NO IDEA THAT \$1.75 BILLION WOULD BE SPENT SO ECONOMICALLY IN THE WAR ON POVERTY THAT/THERE WOULD BE VERY LITTLE TO SHOW FOR IT.

SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER MIKE MANSFIELD HAD NO INKLING TWO YEARS AGO THAT IN 1966 HE WOULD BE SAYING ABOUT THE JOB CORPS: "IT WAS NOT MY INTENTION TO SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE REFORMATORIES IN MY STATE."

SEN. VANCE HARTKE, DEMOCRAT OF INDIANA, COULD NOT HAVE IMAGINED HE WOULD BE STATING: "I QUESTION THE



CONTINUATION OF POVERTY PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE YOUTH CAMPS."

REP. AUGUSTUS HAWKINS, DEMOCRAT OF CALIFORNIA, COULD NOT HAVE SUPPOSED THAT HE WOULD DECLARE: "THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AS ADOPTED BY CONGRESS IS NOT FUNCTIONING AS IT WAS SET UP. WHAT IS BEING DONE TO THIS PROGRAM IS A CRIME."

REP. ROBERT SWEENEY, DEMOCRAT OF OHIO, COULD NOT HAVE DREAMED THAT HE WOULD DESCRIBE THE JOB CORPS AS A "FANTASTICALLY EXPENSIVE FAILURE...COSTING TAXPAYERS \$11,252 A YEAR PER ENROLLEE." HE COULD NOT KNOW HE WOULD VENTURE THE OPINION THAT "THIS MONEY CAN BE BETTER USED BY THE OFFICE OF EDUCATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND THE MILITARY EDUCATION CHANNELS."



SEN. ALBERT GORE, DEMOCRAT OF TENNESSEE, COULD NOT HAVE GUESSED THAT HE WOULD BE CALLING THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY "A GROSSLY DISORGANIZED AFFAIR" AND ADDING THAT "WHILE I HOPE SOME ORDER WILL BE BROUGHT OUT OF CURRENT CHAOS, I BECOME MORE DOUBTFUL DAILY."

WE REPUBLICANS WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ON THE JOB OF FIGHTING POVERTY, SINCE THE DEMOCRATIC WARRIORS OBVIOUSLY ARE BOBBLING IT AND FALLING FAR SHORT OF THEIR PLEDGE TO USE THE TAXPAYERS DOLLARS WISELY.

I should say when elected
WE PROMISE, IF ELECTED, TO LAUNCH AN OPPORTUNITY CRUSADE THAT WILL COST THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS LESS BUT ACCOMPLISH FAR MORE. WE PROMISE, IF ELECTED, TO ENTER INTO AN ANTI-POVERTY ALLIANCE WITH THE STATES AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISE THAT WILL MUSTER MORE THAN



AN ADDITIONAL HALF BILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY FOR THE ASSAULT ON POVERTY WHILE COSTING THE TAXPAYERS FAR LESS.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT POVERTY CZAR SARGENT SHRIVER HAS THE POWER TO OVERRIDE GOVERNORS OF THE STATES, WE REPUBLICANS STILL FEEL CONSTRAINED TO BORROW THESE WORDS FROM THE 1964 DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM:

"THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXISTS NOT TO SUBORDINATE THE STATES, BUT TO SUPPORT THEM!"

WHY SHOULDN'T THE DEMOCRATS SAY THIS ABOUT THE STATES? THEY'RE USED TO SUPPORTING EVERYONE ELSE!

PRICES...WE HAVE TO SAY SOMETHING IN THE REPUBLICAN PROGRAM ABOUT KEEPING PRICES IN LINE. LET'S SEE NOW... HOW DID THE DEMOCRATS PHRASE THEIR PLATFORM PROMISE IN 1964?



HERE IT IS: "OUR ENVIABLE RECORD OF PRICE STABILITY MUST BE MAINTAINED. STABILITY IS ESSENTIAL TO PROTECT OUR CITIZENS--PARTICULARLY THE RETIRED AND HANDICAPPED--FROM THE RAVAGES OF INFLATION."

WHAT A SHAME THAT THE 1957-59 DOLLAR, ^{under the Johnson-Humphrey Admin.} ~~NOW~~ IS WORTH ONLY 86 CENTS! ^ THE DEMOCRATS SURE ARE GOING TO HAVE A HARD TIME CONVINCING THE OLD FOLKS THAT THEY'RE BEING PROTECTED FROM THE RAVAGES OF INFLATION. I GUESS THEY'LL JUST HAVE TO PROMISE THEM ANOTHER SOCIAL SECURITY INCREASE. OH YES, LYNDON'S ALREADY DONE THAT, HASN'T HE? ^{And, of course that}

^{Johnson-Humphrey}
means additional payroll taxes---

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AND ALL THE REPUBLICANS HAVE TO OFFER IS A SOUND DOLLAR!

WHAT ABOUT THE FARMER? WE REPUBLICANS ARE DEDICATED TO "THE GOALS OF HIGHER INCOMES TO THE FARM AND RANCH, PARTICULARLY THE FAMILY-SIZED FARM, LOWER PRICES FOR THE CONSUMER, AND LOWER COSTS TO THE GOVERNMENT."

THE DEMOCRATS USED THOSE WORDS IN 1964, BUT THAT'S ALL RIGHT. OF COURSE, IT SO HAPPENS THAT, ON THE FARM, FARM PRICES ARE SIX PER CENT LOWER NOW THAN THEY WERE IN 1951. AT THE SAME TIME THE IRATE HOUSEWIFE PAYS 16 PER CENT MORE AT THE SUPERMARKET. SO TO APPEASE HOUSEWIVES ANGERED BY HIGH FOOD PRICES, THE DEMOCRATS BEAT DOWN PRICES RECEIVED BY THE FARMER. AND TO LOWER COSTS TO THE GOVERNMENT, THE DEMOCRATS SUBSTITUTED MARGARINE FOR BUTTER IN ALL THE



FOOD WELFARE PROGRAMS AND THE MENUS OF THE ARMY, MARINES AND AIR FORCE.

AFTER DUMPING COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION GRAIN ON THE MARKET TO FORCE DOWN GRAIN PRICES, THE GOVERNMENT NOW IS BUTTERING UP THE WHEAT FARMER BY ANNOUNCING A 15 PER CENT INCREASE IN WHEAT ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS. BUT IF THE FARMER IS CONFUSED, ALL HE HAS TO DO IS GO BACK AND READ THE 1964 DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM AND THAT WILL STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT.

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NOW WHAT ABOUT THE COALMEN? THE DEMOCRATS NEGLECTED THEM IN 1964 AND BEFORE AND HAVE BEEN IGNORING THEM EVER SINCE. THAT'S WHY WE REPUBLICANS ^{will} ~~ARE GOING TO~~ COME UP WITH A WINNER IN '68.

WE REPUBLICANS NOT ONLY KNOW HOW TO BANK THE FIRES OF INFLATION AT HOME, WE ALSO KNOW THAT IN EUROPE INFLATION

IS FEEDING ON AMERICA'S INABILITY TO SELL THEM THE ONE
COMMODITY IT IS IN EUROPE'S INTEREST TO BUY FROM US--COAL.

saw to it that
more fully understood America's best
insists - COAL - and
IF WE ~~TOLD THE~~ EUROPEANS ~~TO STOP GIVING US A BUNCH OF~~
~~STUFF AND~~ INSIST THAT THEY BUY MORE COAL FROM US, WE'D
GET | A BETTER HEAD OF STEAM ON BOTH SIDES OF THE ATLANTIC.

AND NOW I'M ~~GOING TO QUIT~~ *quitting* BEFORE THE FIREMEN OUT FRONT
DO A LITTLE STOKING UP AND MAKE THINGS HOT FOR ME.

I LEAVE YOU WITH THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM FOR 1968--A
PLATFORM WHICH MAY NOT HAVE BEEN MADE IN HEAVEN BUT WHICH
WILL LEAD YOU TO THE PROMISED LAND. IF YOU SPURN MY
ADVICE AND FOLLOW MY OPPONENT, THIS COUNTRY IS LIABLE TO
CATCH THE DEVIL.

----THANK YOU----

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Notwithstanding the fact that Poverty Czar Sargent Shriver has the power to override governors of the states, we Republicans still feel constrained to borrow these words from the 1964 Democratic Platform:

"The Federal Government exists not to subordinate the states, but to support them."

Why shouldn't the Democrats say this about the states? They're used to supporting everyone else.

Prices...we have to say something in the Republican program about keeping prices in line. Let's see now...how did the Democrats phrase their platform promise in 1964? Here it is: "Our enviable record of price stability must be maintained. Stability is essential to protect our citizens--particularly the retired and handicapped--from the ravages of inflation."

What a shame that the 1957-59 dollar now is worth only 86 cents! The Democrats sure are going to have a hard time convincing the old folks that they're being protected from the ravages of inflation. I guess they'll just have to promise them another Social Security increase. Oh yes, Lyndon's already done that, hasn't he?

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And all the Republicans have to offer is a sound dollar!

What about the farmer? We Republicans are dedicated to "the goals of higher incomes to the farm and ranch, particularly the family-sized farm, lower prices for the consumer, and lower costs to the Government."

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After dumping Commodity Credit Corporation grain on the market to force down grain prices, the Government now is buttering up the wheat farmer by announcing a 15 per cent increase in wheat acreage allotments. But if the farmer is confused, all he has to do is go back and read the 1964 Democratic Platform and that will straighten him out.

Now what about the coalmen? The Democrats neglected them in 1964 and before and have been ignoring them ever since. That's why we Republicans are going to come up with a winner in '68.

We Republicans not only know how to bank the fires of inflation at home, we also know that in Europe inflation is feeding on America's inability to sell them the one commodity it is in Europe's interest to buy from us--coal.

If we told the Europeans to stop giving us a bunch of stuff and insist that they buy more coal from us, we'd get up a better head of steam on both sides of the Atlantic.

And now I'm going to quit before the firemen out front do a little stoking up and make things hot for me.

I leave you with the Republican Platform for 1968--a platform which may not have been made in heaven but which will lead you to the Promised Land. If you spurn my advice and follow my opponent, this country is liable to catch the devil.

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Notwithstanding the fact that Poverty Czar Sargent Shriver has the power to override governors of the states, we Republicans still feel constrained to borrow these words from the 1964 Democratic Platform:

"The Federal Government exists not to subordinate the states, but to support them."

Why shouldn't the Democrats say this about the states? They're used to supporting everyone else.

Prices...we have to say something in the Republican program about keeping prices in line. Let's see now...how did the Democrats phrase their platform promise in 1964? Here it is: "Our enviable record of price stability must be maintained. Stability is essential to protect our citizens--particularly the retired and handicapped--from the ravages of inflation."

What a shame that the 1957-59 dollar now is worth only 86 cents! The Democrats sure are going to have a hard time convincing the old folks that they're being protected from the ravages of inflation. I guess they'll just have to promise them another Social Security increase. Oh yes, Lyndon's already done that, hasn't he?

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And all the Republicans have to offer is a sound dollar!

What about the farmer? We Republicans are dedicated to "the goals of higher incomes to the farm and ranch, particularly the family-sized farm, lower prices for the consumer, and lower costs to the Government."

The Democrats used those words in 1964, but that's all right. Of course, it so happens that, on the farm, farm prices are six per cent lower now than they were in 1951. At the same time the irate housewife pays 16 per cent more at the supermarket. So to appease housewives angered by high food prices, the Democrats beat down prices received by the farmer. And to lower costs to the Government, the Democrats substituted margarine for butter in all the food welfare programs and the menus of the Army, Marines and Air Force.

After dumping Commodity Credit Corporation grain on the market to force down grain prices, the Government now is buttering up the wheat farmer by announcing a 15 per cent increase in wheat acreage allotments. But if the farmer is confused, all he has to do is go back and read the 1964 Democratic Platform and that will straighten him out.

Now what about the coalmen? The Democrats neglected them in 1964 and before and have been ignoring them ever since. That's why we Republicans are going to come up with a winner in '68.

We Republicans not only know how to bank the fires of inflation at home, we also know that in Europe inflation is feeding on America's inability to sell them the one commodity it is in Europe's interest to buy from us--coal.

If we told the Europeans to stop giving us a bunch of stuff and insist that they buy more coal from us, we'd get up a better head of steam on both sides of the Atlantic.

And now I'm going to quit before the firemen out front do a little stoking up and make things hot for me.

I leave you with the Republican Platform for 1968--a platform which may not have been made in heaven but which will lead you to the Promised Land. If you spurn my advice and follow my opponent, this country is liable to catch the devil.

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