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It is a great pleasure for me to be here with so many friends. Nowhere does the Democratic party have better friends than here in Washington -- with Senators Magnuson and Jackson -- Mr. Inside and Mr. Outside of the Senate, the most formidable team to play in the same backfield since Paul Hornung and Jim Taylor of the old Green Bay Packers. The only difference is that this team is still together and still winning for Washington and for the country -- and you should see to it that it stays that way.

There's a story that illustrates just how closely Scoop and Maggy work together.

It seems that one day recently Scoop was in Maggy's office, exhorting him to take on the same kind of physical exercise program that Scoop has been on. Scoop got more and more vigorous in describing the program and pretty soon had his coat off and was down on the floor doing push-ups while Maggy counted them off. Scoop was really working hard when suddenly the intercome buzzed, Maggy answered the phone and told his secretary, who was calling, "send him in."

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Then with a wicked grin he calmly informed Scoop, who was still in mid-push-up "It's the President of Boeing."

Now that's team work.

It's like Paul Hornung says on the beer commercial, Scoop: "practice, practice, practice..."

And I also want to recognize your next great governor, Jim McDermott, who deserves your support and your vote on election day.

My friends and fellow Democrats, we are gathered here tonight in the tradition of the oldest national political party in the world--gathered with pride in our accomplishments, with commitment to our country, and with hope and energy for the future.

Ours is a party which traces its roots back to an expedition up the Hudson River which united Thomas Jefferson and James Madison with the leaders of New York. In that union was born our party -- a party which today still unites the rural South with the industrialized North, the great urban centers of the East with the vast expanses and natural resources of the West.

Ours is the party which takes pride in the long line of American leaders who bore the name "Democrat" before us.

Today we travel back through the halls of history to touch the tap-root of our party -- to Thomas Jefferson, who said, "...during the period of my administration not a drop of blood of a single fellow citizen was shed by the sword of war....." And it is just as true of the Administration of Jimmy Carter as of Thomas Jefferson, and just as paramount an accomplishment today as it was in the first days of our republic.

And we harken back as well to that great hero of the common man and woman, Andrew Jackson, who said, "The eyes of the people are fast opening, fight on!" And that will be our slogan and our battle cry in these last few days of this critical campaign.

Ours is the party of Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman, of John Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson, and of Jimmy Carter. Their values are our values; the record they wrote is the progressive history of this country, illuminating our nation's spirit for all the world. And their words are the text in which we find direction for today and vision for the future.

But what of our friendly foes, the Republicans?

Who can they quote?

They don't quote Gerry Ford.

They won't quote Richard Nixon.

They can't quote Barry Goldwater.

And nobody remembers anything Tom Dewey ever said.

The farther they reach back, it seems, the more trouble they get into.

They can't point to Benjamin Harrison, who, according to legend, saw a man forced by the depression to eat grass on the White House lawn, and had only one suggestion for him -- that he go around back where the grass was longer.

They can't mention William McKinley who, according to Theodore Roosevelt, had a backbone as firm as a chocolate éclair.

They cannot boast of Calvin Coolidge, of whom a White House usher said, "No other President in my time ever slept so much."

They prefer to forget about Herbert Hoover and they can't even claim Teddy Roosevelt because he left the party in 1912.

And today, just to have a fighting chance against President Carter, they have to run two people for President -- and even try to disguise one as an independent.

The other one tries to hide by quoting FDR. But the more they try to sound like FDR, the more you know they'll try to govern like Herbert Hoover.

And for some reason, Ronald Reagan never quotes my favorite line of FDR: "We have all seen many marvelous stunts in the circus, but no performing elephant could turn a hand-spring without falling flat on his back."

Make no mistake about it: this election is not just between two individuals; it is between two parties. It is not just between what the two individuals say; it is between what the two parties have historically stood for.

Just look at the slogans of the parties and you will see the vast difference:

The Republicans said, "Stand pat" with McKinley.

We offered Americans the new freedom of Woodrow Wilson.

The Republicans said, "Keep cool with Coolidge."

We said it was time Americans had a new deal with FDR.

The Republicans advocated "A return to normalcy with Harding."

We said it was time to explore new frontiers with JFK.

The Republicans offered Americans "Two chickens in every pot" with Hoover.

We said that America could do more and do better; ours was the promise of a great society with LBJ.

In every instance it's the same:

The Republicans look backward. "No new starts," they say. They have no vision of the future; they propose no great mission for this country; they assert no high purpose for this nation; they build no strong partnership between the people and their government.

They shy away from dreams too much, and therefore are content with too little.

Ours is the party of vision, of leadership and courage. The party that sees this nation's past as a prologue to an even greater future. The party that does not know how to sound retreat; the party that takes pride in accomplishments and still sets our sights on the unfinished business on our nation's agenda.

We are the party of the people -- of the farmer in Iowa and the fisherman in Washington; the auto worker in Detroit and the shopkeeper in Dallas; the senior citizen and student.

We are the party that keeps faith with their hopes and aspirations and with the promise of America for opportunity and freedom and peace.

The record of accomplishments of this administration and this President is a testimony of those long-standing values of the Democratic party and to the promise of this country.

It is a record of a 75 percent increase in funding for education — to build the ladder of opportunity for future generations of Americans to climb.

It is a record of increased assistance to the poor and needy — to create a safety net of housing, food and health care through which no American should fall.

It is a record of returned competition to the marketplace by reforming the regulation of our transportation industries; a record of sound management in the Federal government by overhauling the Civil Service system for the first time in 100 years.

It is a record that extends across the width and breadth of America — to our cities and neighborhoods, to the conservation and development of our natural resources, to the re-industrialization of our country's economic muscle.

It is a true Democratic record -- and it even more striking in comparison to the program that Ronald Reagan is offering America.

For as bad a platform as the Republicans built under Tom, Dick and Barry, I do not believe we have ever had a sharper difference than that between Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan.

On one side is a republican candidate who said just a few months ago, "Urban aid programs are one of the biggest phonies that we have in the system."

On the other side is the urban record of Jimmy Carter -- our nation's first urban policy, strong support for housing, new economic development, targetted investment in cities, and the best cooperative working relationship between the Federal and local government in our country's history.

On one side is a republican candidate who said, "the minimum wage has caused more misery and unemployment than anything since the great depression."

On the other side is the minimum wage increase of 1977, the first increase in four years, and a democratic administration that has stood shoulder-to-shoulder with America's working men and women -- with the promise of jobs for those who seek work and benefits for those who are out of work.

On one side is a Republican candidate who summed up his energy program this way: "What needs to be done is for the government to repeal the energy legislation and to turn the industry loose."

On the other side is a Democratic administration that has created our first national energy policy -- a windfall profits tax, and a comprehensive program of energy conservation and development. And already we can see the benefits of this program -- a one-third reduction in oil imports compared to this time last year.

On one side is a Republican candidate who opposes the Equal Rights Amendment, favors making social security voluntary and does not believe that there is a health care crisis in America.

And on the other side is a Democratic administration that stands for equal rights for all Americans; that has real compassion for the needs of senior citizens and holds firm to the Democratic commitment of sound, affordable health care for all Americans.

These are the stark contrasts that face the American voter.

This is what the election is all about.

It is, in my view, a pivotal moment in our country's history.

Today we are in the midst of a period of change unparalleled in American history. In a few short years, we have had to re-think many of the basic assumptions that had guided us for 40 years -- assumptions about our relations with developing nations, about the competitiveness of our industries.

Fortunately, we have had a steady hand at the helm.

Fortunately, we have had Jimmy Carter in the White House and a Democratic majority in the Congress.

The decisions that have been made over the past three and one-half years have gotten us started in the right direction.

The decisions of the next four years will determine our course as a country for the rest of the century.

That is what is at stake.

There is the risk that, in an era of difficult change, as a nation we will retreat from the hard problems that confront us and choose to answer them with comfortingly simplistic responses.

That is what Ronald Reagan has been offering.

His economic policy is simple: cut taxes 30 percent. That's it. That's the whole program.

His foreign policy is simple: Act tough.

His industrial policy is simple: eliminate government and punish labor.

His human services policy is simple: turn your back.

His environmental policy is simple: ignore the issue.

His answers are simple -- but simply not credible.

Worse than that, in an era of increased complexity, these kinds of simplistic responses can be dangerous. For they can point to choices which are alarmingly blind to real consequences.

Nowhere is this concern more important than in the fateful area which has weighed the heaviest on the shoulders of every American who has ever occupied the White House: the issue of war and peace.

The times are, indeed, troubled.

In international affairs, more and more countries are competing for the use of the world's resources; developing nations insist on economic growth and progress for their people; religious zealotry is emerging as a powerful motivation in the already-troubled Middle East. And yet, in spite of these uncertainties, the nations of the world are bound together ever more closely. The threads of economics are weaving nations together into new interdependencies; the cause of human rights unites nations around the globe as never before. And the haunting spectre of a nuclear holocaust hangs over the head of all mankind all over the world.

The cause of peace is the responsibility of the President.

The cause of peace demands a President who is thoughtful, careful, temperate. The cause of peace demands a man of peace.

This, my friends, is the ultimate test of anyone who offers himself to the people as a candidate for President.

Jimmy Carter has proven that he is a man of peace -- strength and peace.

Jimmy Carter can quote the words of Thomas Jefferson as his own.

Jimmy Carter does not talk of playing the nuclear arms race card. He does not threaten the use of American armed forces as the first response to international tension.

Jimmy Carter does not agree with Ronald Reagan, who has said that nuclear arms control is "none of our business."

Jimmy Carter does believe that the control of nuclear arms is the most compelling responsibility of the President -- of any President -- for the good of America and the good of the world.

That is the choice we have in this election.

In three days, the people of America will speak -- to pick a President and to pick a party. As Americans, we have a great responsibility -- to our country, to the world, to future generations -- to select the leadership that will guide our country toward a new century.

The leadership that will create jobs for our people here at home and retain peace for all the people in the world.

The relationship of Jimmy Carter and Fritz Mondale -- and the Democratic party.

For our values and our faith in America find expression in the words of Franklin Roosevelt, words he wrote for a Jefferson-Jackson dinner and left for us as a legacy:

"The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today. Let us move forward with strong and active faith."

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