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G O P National Chairman Robert Dole

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today accused the McGovern campaign of seven more
-- as he put it - "serious" violations of the election
law, including the use of so-called "dummy" committees
that would allow wealthy contributors to escape
paying taxes on their gifts. He also asked the
justice department to investigate whether "criminal
charges are appropriate" ^{to bring} against the Democratic
Presidential nominee and Walter Fauntroy, Washington
1 1/2 non-voting delegate to Congress, for allegedly making
an illegal political deal at the Democratic convention.
Dole's charges were immediately denounced by
McGovern's political director, Frank Mankiewicz
who calls them "contemptable and totally lacking in
substance."

VIETNAM

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Government spokesmen in Laos say Soviet cargo planes have sharply increased their flights to Hanoi - carrying medical supplies, foodstuffs, and also , more recently, weapons. U S fighter bombers are reported to have forced at least one of ~~them~~ the Soviet planes to land at Vientiane.

HIJACKS

Transportation Secretary John Volpe says that air piracy - like sea piracy - will come to an end the ~~am~~ moment all nations refuse sanctuary to hi-jackers. He told representatives of seventeen nations, meeting in Washington - today the ~~the~~ hi-jacker is a man on the run ^{and} it remains for us to give him no place to run, no place to hide. He spoke at the opening session of the congress to draft an international accord to deal with ~~high~~ hi-jackings.

TRAIN

An Amtrack passenger train with more than two hundred aboard, jumped the rails in prairie country near Inland, Nebraska, injuring about thirty; none seriously. It was a west bound train, travelling at around seventy-five miles per hour. Most of the passengers were asleep when the derailment occurred.

MUSEUM

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— A trio of armed thieves broke into the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts today - bound and gagged three guards -- and then escaped with about two million dollars worth of artifacts and paintings - including a Rembrandt valued at ~~one~~ a million. Entry was gained through a skylight whose burglar alarm was either silent or made that way by the thieves. A Rubens was also among the eighteen paintings stolen by the trio. ^{Tonight} ~~who are now the object~~ of an international hunt ^{trio of} is on for the thieves.

GOLF

Over the past decade, the federal government - through its Farmers Home Administration Agency - loaned about eighty-five million dollars to nearly six hundred private golf clubs in rural areas -- the idea being to build new golf courses or to expand existing ones. The golf course credit program was designed to make rural life more attractive - thus improving the economy of rural communities.

Now, some one hundred thirty of these golf courses are in deep financial trouble - and the government is about to yell ^{fare} ~~four~~ at them - fore-closure that is. Hopefully, to avoid such a necessity, the government has hired a team of golf financial experts not to be confused with golf pros who will try to get the troubled clubs out of the ^{financial rough} ~~sand trap~~ and back onto the green. ~~In the event the loan program, by the way,~~ ^{that loan} was discontinued when the agency was taken over by ~~James Smith~~ ^{golfing former congressman} James Smith a non-~~golfing~~ from Oklahoma.

OLYMPICS

American swimmer Mark Spitz won his seventh gold medal today - an achievement unprecedented for one sport in Olympic history. He helped the US mens team to victory in the four hundred meter medley relay - setting a new world record in the process - this also the seventh new world record for Spitz.

Water Polo players at the Olympics live in mortal fear of big Mirko Sandic - the two hundred twenty pound, six foot seven Yugoslav who wears the sports most honored nickname - "the beast of the pit."

You have to be tough to play waterpolo - a combination of swimming, wrestling, and bare-knuckle ballet. And you have to be even tougher to play the pivot position directly in front of the opposing goal - a job roughly equivalent to that of goalie - in hockey. In waterpolo, that area is known as the "pit" - and opponents delight in pushing the pivot man under water - holding him there - choking him - jabbing fingers in his eyes and pulling his

hair. But they don't with Sandic. Those who try are walking around Munich with black eyes and purple welts on their faces. In the match with Russia, Sandic actually tore the trunks off four Soviet players - then using his legs to pin them under water while innocently holding up his arms to show he wasn't ducking anyone. All of which prompted one indignant Soviet sports writer to remark: Bill - "That man is no sportsman! He's an insult to Socialism!"

QUAKES

A sharp earthquake shook the central coastal area of California today - apparently causing no serious damage or injuries. The University of California seismograph also recorded another earthquake in the southwest Pacific, nine thousand miles from Berkeley.

And, we're still getting what might be called "verbal reverberations" from that five megaton underground explosion set off last November on Amchitka Island far out in the Aleutians. Two U S scientists now say the blast caused magnetic field changes that could help predict the time and place of earthquakes to come - thereby saving many lives. Doctors W P Hasbrouck and J H Allen Base their claim on the fact that changes in underground rock stresses - which precede earthquakes - produce changes in the earth's magnetic field which can be detected with the aid of geo-magnetic ~~field~~ sensors.

Many seismologists believe the forecasting of quakes may indeed, be possible within the next ten to twenty years.

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The earth, we are told, is rocked by perhaps a million quakes a year - with a thousand of them strong enough to cause real trouble. Are we close to the day when one can pick up the telephone - call the weather bureau - or maybe Gordon Barnes - and ask "What time is the earthquake due?" And then - so long until tomorrow.