

HUMPHREY

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By now I'm sure you've heard about ^{Chicago}
~~On the Democratic side - back in Washington,~~ Hubert Humphrey

^{that is}
~~was~~ again saying "thanks, but no thanks;" [^] declining to enter the

~~upcoming~~ New Jersey primary - or ^{even} ~~to~~ campaign on his own behalf in

ⁱⁿ [^] any primary where he is entered against his will. But he ^{addi-} ~~also said,~~

as he has before; "I shall continue to speak out" and "if the party

should need me and nominate me, I am fully prepared to serve."

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HOUSTON

~~On the political frog - President Ford was again~~ ~~crisis~~
~~crossing~~ ⁱⁿ Texas ^{was critical of} ~~today~~ ~~at Houston~~ ~~- taking another crack at~~ Ronald
Reagan ~~for~~ urging a hard-line policy with regard to the Panama
Canal. "If we break off negotiations" said the President - "there is
some possibility of the canal being disabled." ^{Said he:-} "What I am trying to
~~do~~ ^{do} ~~he added~~ ^{is} to maintain the usability of that canal - without
bloodshed - without guerilla warfare."

HUNTSVILLE FOLLOW HUSTON

Reagan, meanwhile, at Huntsville Alabama ~~where he~~ lashed back at the President for ~~earlier~~ saying "there are no retakes in the Oval Office." Reagan saying "~~all the President is doing is making cracks~~ - when is he going to reply with facts about our defense?"

KINSHASA

Secretary of State Kissinger, who is still at Kinshasa in Zaire -
was forced to cancel ~~today~~ a scheduled sight-seeing trip. ~~Doctor~~
Kissinger partaking ^{of} a traditional Zairan food at a banquet last night -
now said to be "suffering from a slight case of gastro-enteritis.

PEKING

The Soviet Embassy in Peking - was rocked today by an explosion. This following by less than a day - a bitter Soviet attack on Chiang Ching, the wife of Chairman Mao. The Soviet News Agency Tass saying; "~~by chance, there were~~" no casualties among embassy staff" but "two Chinese guards were killed."

BEIRUT

The election of a new president of Lebanon, set for Saturday - was cast in doubt today by factional squabbling in the Lebanese Parliament. Observers saying it is unlikely that any one candidate - will be able to muster a parliamentary majority. In the meantime, a continuation of scattered violence - claiming at least seventy-five additional lives in the past twenty-four hours.

An estimated seventy-five thousand Japanese turned out today in drizzling rain - to get a glimpse of their emperor and shout "Banzai" - "long life" on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday. Emperor Hirohito soon to celebrate fifty years on the Chrysanthemum Throne - longer by far than any previous ruler in all Japanese history.

LAS VEGAS

A document said to be the long lost "last will and testament" of the late Howard Hughes was filed for probate today in Las Vegas. This by an official of the Mormon Church - who said it had turned up mysteriously at Church headquarters in Salt Lake, addressed to Mormon President Spencer Kimball.

The Hughes "will" if such it is, leaving one quarter of his estimated two billion dollar estate - to the Hughes Medical Institute in Miami - another one eighth to various universities - and the rest to the Mormon Church and a number of individuals, including his two wives. A church spokesman stressing, however; "Whether this is the actual will of Mr. Hughes or a hoax - we do not know."

PITTSBURG

The ~~price of steel going up again~~ U.S. Steel announced ^{ed} ~~to~~
today - a six per cent price increase on its major products; and
Others in the steel industry ^{were} quick to follow suit.

WASHINGTON

famous and beautiful
When the ~~fabulous~~ [^] Marjorie Merriweather Post died in Seventy-three -
she left to the Smithsonian her Washington Mansion filled with
priceless jewels and art objects. She also left ten million in trust -
to pay for the maintenance of the estate as a museum. But the
Smithsonian announcing today, regretfully ^{that} [^] it has no recourse but to
return Mrs. Post's generous gift. *Why?*

A spokesman explaining that the ten million she left, "prudently
invested" would yield less than half a million a year; nowhere near
what it would cost - to run the place as a museum. Adding; ~~the~~
that ~~widest dream~~, Mrs. Post ^{just} [^] didn't have any idea - how inflation would
dissipate her trust."

GALVESTON

A bizarre story that began in the Gulf of Mexico - is reported today from Galveston Texas. Shrimp boat captain Jimmy Ramsey - catching a fourteen foot tiger shark in one of his nets; hauling the big fish on board to mount as a trophy - when out fell a set of bones found to comprise virtually an entire human skeleton. The remains now in the hands of Galveston authorities ^{who are} trying to ~~find~~ ^{find} out who it may have been - *who eaten by a shark.*

VIENNA

The U.S.A. as visualized by Austrian children age six to sixteen - the subject of seventy-six paintings presented today to the U.S. Ambassador in Vienna; a gift - in honor of the American Bicentennial. The paintings showing among other things, skyscrapers side by side with Indian villages - huge traffic jams ^{and} rocket ships with wings like bees; - ~~and a smiling, laughing statue of liberty,~~ all of which will be sent over here - for exhibitions in New York, Washington, Chicago, Philadelphia, Minneapolis and other major cities. - *including a laughing statue of liberty.*

BROOKLYN

The scene of this next - a Brooklyn courtroom. Mugging suspect James Legrand, age twenty-one, beating to the floor his elderly attorney - in full view of the jury that was waiting to try him. Why? Because he didn't like the attorney - said Legrand - he wanted a mistrial. And he got it. The judge also giving him thirty days for contempt - ^{also} ~~and~~ a new court appointed attorney who stands six-two - and weights about two-fourty. The judge telling Legrand; "this one - will be more of a match for you."