

# 18 HHH's Wife Delivers

## 1968 His Tribute to King

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OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—An assassin's bullet can no more indict an entire society in 1968 than it could in 1865 . . . or in 1963, Mrs. Hubert H. Humphrey says.

The wife of the Vice President referred to -- without naming -- the assassinations of two U.S. Presidents as she read from a statement prepared by her husband on the death of Martin Luther King Jr.

Speaking last night before about 350 members of the Oklahoma Federation of Democratic Women's Clubs, Mrs. Humphrey said: "If it [King's death] becomes a signal for black Ameri-

can to strike out in rage and retaliation, then we will have made a mockery of all for which he lived and died."

She said she had dropped her prepared remarks to read her husband's reactions to the death of King.

She asked that Americans "re-dedicate ourselves to the task of healing the torment of our poor and hungry, our deprived and illiterate."

She said that if Americans succeed in doing this "then truly this tragedy will be remembered, not as the moment when America lost her faith, but as the moment when America found her conscience."