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Harold,

This stuff is going out today and reporter Ed Martelle goes on a three week vacation tomorrow. Our entire news department will be tied up with the Republican convention, too. Still, I doubt anything will happen until late August at the earliest.

There are two other possibilities for copies of her picture. The Dallas Times Herald presumably made copies when their reporter, Jim Featherstone, brought Mary and Jean Hill to their office. Also, I bet Jean has a copy of the picture - she's remarried, too, but still lives in Dallas.

The Herald could also have been the source of the retouching, since both the AP and UPI versions have seemingly identical blacked-out portions

I don't know what happened to Featherstone, but I found an interview filmed just before the first anniversary where he said he escorted the two women back to their car where they coated the Polaroid picture.