

Q. Can you tell us what's happened to former Pennsylvania Gov. William Scranton, who ran in 1964 as a liberal Republican Presidential possibility? Is there any chance he will run for President again?—
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A. William Scranton, 56, is chairman of the board of the Northeastern Bank of Scranton, Pa., a city built in large part by his family. He sits, too, on the boards of such corporations as IBM, Sun Oil and Pan American Airways. He has turned down Richard Nixon's offer to make him Secretary of State, U.S. ambassador to any of three countries, and energy czar of the U.S. "simply," Scranton says, "I am not interested in running for office again . . . I was never personally ambitious for power. A lot of people in politics think all politicians want to be at the top of the heap. But I really do mean what I say about not running for office again."

One of Scranton's major frustrations was his experience as chairman of President Nixon's Commission on Campus Unrest, a commission put together after the shooting of students on the campuses of Kent State and Jackson State. His report was cavalierly dismissed by Nixon, and it may well be that Scranton then decided he would never again participate in the Nixon Administration. Undoubtedly Scranton will be available for non-elective positions and assignments in the future.

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