

HHH Got Campaign Money

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Watergate committee staff says Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey's 1972 campaign organization used a mysterious blind trust and an apparent money-laundering operation in financing his bid for the presidency.

It also says the Minnesota Democrat concealed from the public that he donated \$112,000 of his own assets to the campaign in early 1972, before it became illegal for presidential candidates to contribute more than \$50,000 to their own campaigns.

Humphrey's campaign received \$89,000 worth of stock and \$23,000 in cash from a blind trust managed for him by one of his biggest campaign contributors, Dwayne O. Andreas of Minneapolis. Andreas was quoted as saying he transferred

the money and stock at Humphrey's request.

The stock was in the Minneapolis soybean company headed by Andreas himself, Archer-Daniels Midland Co.

The staff report said Humphrey declined requests to submit to an interview, that his campaign manager Jack Chestnut destroyed records of early campaign finances, and that Andreas submitted an affidavit that left several questions unanswered.

It said Andreas didn't state how or when Humphrey's trust got the stock, how or when the trust itself was formed, or what role the Archer-Daniels company played in the transaction.

A spokesman for Humphrey said he would withhold comment on the committee's staff report until it has been adopted

formally by the full Senate panel.

Andreas has been accused in a federal indictment of prompting an illegal donation of to Humphrey's 1968 campaign of \$100,000 in corporate money belonging to a subsidiary of the Archer-Daniels company. He has pleaded innocent.

New details of Humphrey's 1972 finances are contained in a report circulated to member of the Watergate committee this week. A copy was obtained by The Associated Press.

It said that about the same time Andreas transferred Humphrey's Archer-Daniels stock into Humphrey's campaign, Andreas, his daughter and a friend made other large gifts of the company's stock, totaling another \$276,000.