

Humphrey Donor Charged

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The senior partner of a Wall street brokerage firm was accused in a criminal information yesterday of making \$48,000 in illegal, indirect contributions to Senator Hubert H. Humphrey's presidential primary campaign last year.

John L. Loeb, 70, of Loeb, Rhoades & Co., was charged in papers filed in U. S. District Court with channeling funds to 12 campaign committees through eight persons, most of them clerical employees of his firm.

Replying to the charge, Loeb said in a statement that there was "no intent on my part to evade the law." He added that he was accused of "technical and unwitting violation of a procedural provision" of the 1971 campaign contribution law.

STATEMENT

Humphrey said in a statement in Washington that Loeb's contribution "was made to my 1972 nomination committee. I have no knowledge of the details. I do know Mr. Loeb is a distinguished and respected citizen."

U. S. Attorney Whitney North Seymour Jr. charged that Loeb arranged the contributions with the eight persons and transferred the funds from his personal checking account to their accounts. They wrote the checks to the committees on May 12, 1972, he said.

He alleged that Loeb "unlawfully, wilfully and knowingly" made the contributions in the names of the other persons.

GUEST

Loeb, who is to be arraigned May 29, had been a guest of President and Mrs. Nixon Tuesday night at a White House dinner.

If convicted, Loeb could receive a maximum penalty of one year in prison and \$1000 fine on each of the eight counts. *Associated Press*



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JOHN L. LOEB, 70
Wall street broker