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WASHINGTON — With the 'stop-Carter" movement failing in Pennsylvania, Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey is being asked to step at least part way into the race for the Democratic presidential nomina-

Sources close to Humphrey, the party's 1968 presidential nominee, indicate he will say yes.

However, Humphrey said after former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter's victory in Pennsylvania, "I want to see the Democratic party win. If Jimmy Carter can win, I'm not going to try and stop him at all.

Formation of a Humphrey campaign committee was expected to be announced today following the Car-ter win in Tuesday's Pennsylvania primary, his seventh first-place

finish in nine primaries.

"We think there is a necessity for moving ahead now," said Rep. Paul

Simon, D-Ill., one of the leaders of the Humphrey movement.

If Humphrey agrees to let the campaign committee operate on his behalf, it would make him legally a candidate under federal election law, although he has not announced

his candidacy formally.
A group of Humphrey supporters put together a tentative campaign committee Tuesday to be headed by Minneapolis businessman Robert Short. Sources within the group said they had scheduled a meeting today to ask Humphrey to give his blessing to the effort.

Even if Humphrey continues to withhold a formal announcement of his candidacy, the committee could begin immediately trying to line up convention support for him, principally from among the many uncommitted delegates being picked in

state primaries and caucuses.
Such a committee also could begin

setting up the machinery necessary for the convention manuevering that will be essential if Humphrey is to get the 1,505 delegate votes he would need for nomination.

Humphrey has said for some time that he would accept a draft but would not campaign in the primaries. However, he has added recently that he might reappraise the situation after the last primaries are held June 8 and enter the race more actively if no other candidate has emerged as the clear party choice by that time.

But the Pennsylvania results seriously endanger Humphrey's chances of being nominated if he does not make some move soon. Carter won a clear victory over Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash, despite the support given Jackson by pro-Humphrey labor leaders in what

some acknowledged was as Carter movement.

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## Ford campaigns in East Texas

By FRANK CORMIER

Associated Press Writer
TYLER, Tex. — President Ford, facing a potential showdown primary here with challenger Ronald Reagan, accused his opponent today of trying harder and swinging wilder because he is behind in the race for Republican convention delegates.

In remarks prepared for a public forum at Tyler Junior College, Ford said, referring to primary battles in which he bested the former Califor-nia governor: "Somewhere be-tween the snows of New Hampshire and the sunny climes down in Florida, the focus of this year's Republican campaign for the presi-dency began to shift away from the growing strength and prosperity of the American economy to a new and complex issue: the strength of

America's military forces.

"Now, I've been down the campaign trail before and I know there's a reason why a challenger will try to shift his attack. It's called second

place. It makes you try harder - and swing wilder, too.

In other remarks for later in the day, Ford decried "simple solutions to complex problems" and expressed determination to keep Americans safe from crime at home and from

war and aggression abroad.

Trying to stake out his own issues in the face of challenge to his defense leadership by GOP challenger Ronald Reagan, Ford emphasized anticrime efforts in his text for a speech to three law groups.

But he wound up with the pledge

"continue to insure that the United States of America is unsurpassed in military capability" - a pledge he seems compelled to make everywhere because of Reagan's persistent campaigning on that is-

On preserving peace at home and abroad, Ford said, "There are no easy answers, no simple solutions to the complex problems of personal and national security. But our de-

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termination to solve these problems is in itself a source of strength. And our warning to those who threaten our security at home or abroad is the same: Americans will never be intimidated and Americans will keep the security and independence we have had for 200 years."

Ford flew to Texas on Tuesday

night to campaign up to the eve of a Saturday primary in which he says

Reagan is the front-runner.

The President came to Texas via
Louisiana, where he went through a
heavy round of public activity in the Shreveport area, whose television and radio stations have large audiences in East Texas.

Ford does not face a primary test in Louisiana.

The first stop on Ford's four-day trip, the longest he has made during the campaign season, was at Barksdale Air Force Base, La. There, with B52 bombers lined up nearby, he declared, "I pledge to you today that as long as I hold this honored office, I intend to see to it that the United States will never become second to anybody.

Reagan has been arguing that the Ford administration has permitted

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Ford opened his three-days the state with an attack on Rew who had criticized the Fordal tration earlier this most choices. E speeches here accusing it of tryi

give away the Panama Canal He was greeted by a con about 500 at the airport and to audience that Reagan's Par Canal stand "could lead to bloodshed and antagonize mil South Americans.

## Wallace notes strengt says he remains No. 2

HOUSTON — Alabama Gov. George Wallace, ignoring his distant finish in the Pennsylvania primary, has closed his campaign for Saturday's Texas primary by telling sup-porters he still is a viable candidate for the Democratic presidential

"I do say it never hurts you to win a primary," Wallace told about 150 supporters at a rally here last night. "However, I did not consider that

I would do well in Pennsylvania at all, because we did not campaign much in that state.

Wallace told rallies at Longview and Houston yesterday in the last of the three campaign swings he's made through the state, that he still is the No. 2 Democratic candidate in

'We have the second number of popular vote of the four presidential candidates running in the primaries," Wallace said. "So we're still a viable candidate for the presidency and nobody's going to the convention with a majority of the delegate votes in my opinion.

'If we can pick up some delegates in the great state of Texas to join with the delegates that we already have, which are 104, then there are 23

other primaries and we can enough delegates to be a viable didate at the Democratic cons

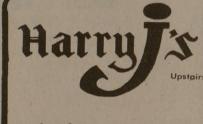
The Wallace supporters the each time the Alabama governor peated his conservative state crime, U.S. military powers

"The government today is heavy on the private indivi-shoulders," Wallace said. "Th no need for an oil worker or at to pay the taxes they do in this try while we exempt the Rockel and Ford Foundations.'

Wallace called for a return tal punishment. "I think we and return to the electric o cause we never are going to peace in the streets until we ge

to that principle. Hall Timanus, chairman of crats for Wallace in Texas, sa governor visited 21 cities duri three campaign visits and cove of the 31 senatorial districts quest for delegated votes.

Timanus said Wallace was th viable candidate for the Demo nomination who campaign thoroughly in the state.



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