

Apr 5th  
Statement  
Press conf.

I've had a good rest - ready for Pa.  
Primary

001620

— Primary focuses attention  
upon Candidates —

— the estimates are 50% Republican  
crossers — 50 Republicans for  
every 100 Democrats —

— I do not have evidence that I received  
any significant Republican vote. I did  
not seek it.

— In the coming primaries — in the  
States where I shall be today —  
~~the~~ Pennsylvania, Ohio and  
Indiana — there can be no  
Republican crossers.

I shall be asking for Democratic  
votes to choose me as the Democratic  
nominee. And in these 3 States  
~~there~~, we shall be competing with  
Sen. McGovern and Sen. Muskie and  
Gov. Wallace and others for ~~about~~  
400 delegates — by May 2.

I welcome the competition.  
I welcome the votes of the  
Democrats of

By the week of the Ohio Primary —  
a month from today — 12 of the  
23 primaries will have been  
contested — by May 16th — 6 weeks  
from today — (Michigan Primary) a majority

182

73

806

419

of the delegates to the Nat. Convention  
will have been Selected,

there will be 12 primary  
contests between now & May  
16th ~~time~~ I will be actually  
contesting in 8 of the twelve

(X) | Pa, Ohio, Indiana, Neb, D. V. Virg  
Michigan, Indiana, Maryland

This is a long Distance

now - we are at the beginning  
+ as of today about 1/4th  
of delegates have been selected.



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