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POLICE DOGS PATROLLED THE CITY'S WATER FILTRATION PLANTS, PARKS AND ROOFS OF DELEGATES HOTELS.

READY TO BACK UP TROOPS AND POLICE ALREADY IN THE CITY WERE ANOTHER 6,000 NATIONAL GUARDS STANDING BY IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AND 50,000 SPECIALLY-TRAINED FEDERAL TROOPS AROUND THE COUNTRY WHO COULD BE AIRLIFTED HERE IN A MATTER OF HOURS IN THE EVENT OF LARGE-SCALE DISORDERS.

THE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS -- THE BIGGEST SHOW OF FORCE EVER ASSEMBLED FOR A POLITICAL CONVENTION IN THE UNITED STATES -- CONTINUED TO COME UNDER HEAVY ATTACK FROM THE AMERICAN PRESS AND MANY DELEGATES.

VICE-PRESIDENT HUMPHREY TOLD A NATION-WIDE TELEVISION AUDIENCE THAT THE BARBED WIRE ENCIRCLING THE CONVENTION HALL WAS "THE UGLIEST SYMBOL OF WHAT I DO NOT LIKE."

THE VICE-PRESIDENT COMPLAINED ABOUT THE "OVER-PRESENCE" OF POLICE AROUND THE HALL.

"I DO NOT LIKE THE GATES CLOSED" HE SAID. "I LIKE THE GATES OPENED....I THINK IT IS A BAD THING FOR AMERICA."

HE SAID CHICAGO'S MAYOR RICHARD J. DALEY HAD DECIDED TO TAKE EXTREME PRECAUTIONS BECAUSE OF "EVIDENCE THAT INDICATES THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO WOULD LIKE TO RUSH INTO THE HALL, DISRUPT THE MEETINGS AND SO FORTH."

THOSE "STORM-TROOPER TACTICS" WERE A VERY BAD THING, HE ADDED.

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