

Howard Hughes Under The Microscope

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Oh well, where do we begin? Um, well Hughes is, he is an example of the rich kid who says I'd like to get into movies, I'd like to be a movie star, I'd like to screw movie stars, I'd like to own movie stars, I'd like to make movies. I'm so rich, why not?

Hughes was crazy about flying. Flying and female breasts. And then, the iconography of his work, his career as a movie producer is there.

He's a, he's a very, very American character and it all comes from a, a drilling head for oil that his father really perfected .

The people who knew Hughes in those years liked him, which isn't quite the image you get now because you, we get this man who walks around with long hair, long fingernails and stores his own urine and all that kind of thing. You know, stuff that we wouldn't like to be seen doing. But as a young man he was quite something.

He's the kid who becomes so wealthy you can't measure it. He can do anything he likes and he dies alone.

He is a mythic figure.