HUGH DOWNS FUMBLES

Hugh Downs should stick to things he does well, like running silly game shows and acting like Howdy Doody on 20-20. However, Hugh wants the public to become acquainted with his intellect, which is unfortunate given what we know about it.

On December 17, Hugh treated his radio audience to a long-winded sermon on what is wrong with the Catholic Church's teachings on ordination. While never speaking in a sarcastic way about the Church's teachings, Hugh nevertheless began to pontificate about "canonical scripture" and why it didn't make sense to him why women can't be priests. But why it made sense for him to discuss matters he knows nothing about is perhaps the biggest mystery of all.

Some fast advice for Hugh: quit while you're ahead and you'll still be remembered for being the male Vanna White of TV (minus the looks, of course).