versive than the Ku Klux Klan or the Minutemen, but nevertheless, he does investigate groups. Also, remember when he inherited the FBI, it was just a collection of political hacks, and he has built a pretty effective, efficient, quite formidable law enforcement agency and they have never had a single FBI Agent who has ever been convicted of embezzlement, or treason, or anything really serious, so you've got to give the old man credit. The trouble is is that he should have retired about ten or more years ago.

WILLIAMS: As a result of your investigations of J. Edgar Hoover, personally, do you think we're being listened to on your private line now?

ANDERSON: Well it's certainly a possibility and it doesn't make any difference to me. It's known that the FBI taps wires, and I think that the public would be startled at how few wires that they tap, and let me tell you how they get around that. I know, I do have good sources inside the FBI. I have seen my own file and you have to have pretty good sources to get them to show you your own file. I have seen it, I know what's in it and I've got more on Hoover than he's got on me.

WILLIAMS: What about that big file on Drew Pearson?

ANDERSON: Well, I haven't even looked at that one, but I have looked at the one on me and, as I tell you, I've got more on Hoover

than he's got on me. He doesn't worry me. He doesn't worry me on that score. But some of these good sources, Jerry, I can tell you without any hesitation that there are less than a couple dozen wire taps throughout the entire United States--FBI wire taps.

WILLIAMS: I'm going to take a short break, Jack. Will you stand by please?

ANDERSON: You bet.

WILLIAMS: Jack Anderson, Washington, D. C., the nationally syndicated columnist, former associate and colleague of Drew Pearson, read in the Boston Evening Globe here in Boston and throughout the country as well... The nationally known Washington columnist in Washington, D. C. tonight. Jack, some people would like to think you're making a mountain out of a molehill. In everybody's life there is something, somewhere. Every Washington bureaucrat has been on the take, so to speak, when it comes to favors received from people outside in hotels or race tracks or whatever... and that you really don't have anything on the FBI Director that most people don't already know.

ANDERSON: Oh, I don't claim to have anything terribly startling. It is true that there would be great outrage on Capitol Hill if it should be reported that a cabinet officer had taken \$15,000 in favors from a Texas millionaire, that a cabinet officer had stayed in a \$100-a-day suite from four to six weeks in the summer to attend the races. Now

I don't try to make any more out of it than it is. It's a fact, therefore, that the public ought to know about this, and if the public doesn't mind it, it's all right with me. My purpose is to put the spotlight on these sorts of things; let the public know what the people who are accepting their salary are doing, and in this case, J. Edgar Hoover is paid by the taxpayers. J. Edgar Hoover is symbolic of law and order in this country, and the taxpayers are entitled to know what he does on his vacations, particularly if he takes favors from Texas oil millionaires; if he stays at hotels where racketeers are registered. I don't know that that's bad. I don't think that poor Hoover can be held responsible for who else registers at the hotel. Nevertheless, I believe the public is entitled to know it.

this was not known. We did dig this out. We did expose it, and

WILLIAMS: Today's column, however, intimates the somewhat paranoid things--people are following him, that there is possibly a movement around to get him so to speak?

ANDERSON: Yes, he is in his old age highly fidgety, highly jittery. What I, the only point I was trying to make in the column today was that Hoover, who has this fearsome reputation that frightens Washington officials, is, I think...I compared him in the column to the Wizard of Oz in the old Judy Garland movie. You remember, if you saw the movie, that the Wizard of Oz had this fearsome front

that terrified all. But behind it he was kind of a fidgety old man who wasn't really bad at heart, who was at least enormously human, and this, of course, is Hoover. He even has bad dreams, according to some of the people we talked to. He has seen--I don't say that he now sees--but he has in the past seen a society psychiatrist here in Washington by the name of Ruffin, Dr. Marshall Ruffin, and complained about nightmares that people were chasing him. Well this isn't the picture that he has been putting out in press releases. In the past 47 years this isn't the image that he has sought to create. He has created rather the image of this formidable, stern, bulldog lawman who's the tailer of the Mafia and communists and all the other enemies of mankind. But behind this all, behind all this he's just another 76-year-old man, a master bureaucrat to be sure, a public relations genius, , you can be sure of that; but he's still a human being who, well, for example, he reported that he has the only bulletproof limousine, except for the President, in all Washington. and this limousine has to be hauled at great expense to the taxpayers wherever he goes. He wants the limousine to be there when he arrives so that he can ride around in his bulletproof protection. WILLIAMS: What about the implied relationship in the column between the Director, who is 76 and a bachelor, and Clyde Tolson, the Deputy Chief who is also a bachelor?

ANDERSON: The only relationship I implied, Jerry, was that they're old friends, that they've grown up together, spent most of their time together. Their other friends retired and died off. The two of them have their lunches, their dinners and their vacations together.

WILLIAMS: Have you found anything about the Director's relationships with any women in his life?

Yeah, we found his love letters, or some of them. ANDERSON: I guess you could call them love letters. These were letters to a Washington widow, now dead; died several months ago, by the name of Muriel Geier. Now, there is a local Washington legend that Muriel Geier is the Muriel on the Muriel cigar. Her father used to run a cigar stand in the Willard Hotel, and the owner of the cigar company was supposed to have been impressed with her beauty back in the old days. In any case Hoover has written over the years just dozens and dozens of letters to her, and they're signed "With Love," some of them signed "Affectionately," and all rather courtly. Ah, nothing compromising, but just rather courtly; the kind of letter you would expect, ah, J. Edgar Hoover to write to a woman that he admired. Ah, he sent FBI Agents to meet her at the airport on some occasions, according to these letters, and to escort her to, for example, to the New York Hotel, the Waldorf Astoria, and she had trouble with

one of her sons and called on Hoover, who wrote back that he was doing all he could to get the son out of difficulty. That kind of thing, but nothing really compromising.

WILLIAMS: Do you find, still, great loyalty to the Director within the FBI?

ANDERSON: Well, I think FBI Agents are frightened of him. He's built up such heroic proportions that they're so afraid of him that on one occasion he scribbled in the margin of an FBI report, you see, let me explain that he likes to scrawl his comments in the margins of his reports. He signs them with a simple "H," and usually his comments are scathing. There are few of the high and mighty who haven't been blistered by these little notations in the margins. When he gets a report on a senator he doesn't like, he makes some comment in the margins and signs his name to it. Well, one of the Agents came in there who didn't know about Hoover's habits and turned in a report with a thin margin. So Hoover scrawled at the very top, "Watch the borders." Well, almost immediately the subordinates who picked the memo up in the out box saw this "Watch the borders," and say, "I wonder what the old man knows," and they immediately assigned a beefed-up extra patrol on the Canadian and the Mexican borders, cause they thought the old man knew something, and they better not get caught neglecting these two borders. For about two

weeks they had Special Agents watching the two borders until, I guess, Hoover found out about it and he wanted to know what they were doing on the two borders, and it developed that he was

referring to the margins on the FBI report.
WILLIAMS: Are you aware of the story?
ANDERSON: I know a little about it. In the typical story, the only
thing that isn't typical about it is that unlike most of
his colleagues, did something about it. What happened in
case is that he dared to say something that turned out to be
uncomplimentary, or was seemed to be uncomplimentary, to Mr. Hoover.
That is against the first commandment of the FBI. Thou shalt
not take the name of J. Edgar Hoover in vain is the first commandment.
related that story in about an hour and a half last night,
really an incredible unfolding of the story that doesn't seem to end yet.
WILLIAMS: I haven't even finished the story with him yet, and bf
I was concerned about it. That's the reason for this follow-up with
you. I am going to do more about the follow-up with whose
wife, by the way, is undergoing major surgery tonight, and we're
concerned that he has no work, as I am sure you know, as a result
of his "resignation" from the FBI. Would you take some questions
from the people at home, Jack?
ANDERSON: Sure.

WILLIAMS: Okay, would you hold on please. If you have any questions for Jack Anderson, the nationally syndicated Washington columnist, about FBI's J. Edgar Hoover, state the question and Jack will answer. We can't program you both together in conversation but you can call us at 254-5678 here on the Spirit of New England, WBZ and WBZ-FM, Boston. Westinghouse Broadcasting will get underway with calls and comments of Jack Anderson of Washington in a moment. Columnist Jack Anderson whose expose' here on J. Edgar Hoover's position in tonight's "Boston Evening Globe," page 15, and I am sure there'll be more as the columns unfold. Questions now for Jack Anderson. Hello, yes, hello. Yes, go ahead sir. CALLER #1: Yes, I would like to know why Mr. Anderson feels

CALLER #1: Yes, I would like to know why Mr. Anderson feels the way he does. We have a country right now that is in a turmoil, a real turmoil insofar as we have crime in the streets. I'd like to know this man. He sounds like a communist.

WILLIAMS: What's the question? He may sound like one, he may act like one, he may smell like one, but he ain't one.

CALLER #1: Okay, he's not one.

WILLIAMS: No, now what's the question?

CALLER #1: Well, I would like to know what gripe he has against

Mr. Hoover?

WILLIAMS: Well, did any of the things that Jack Anderson indicated to you strike you as being something you ought to know?

CALLER #1: Not really. I'll tell you why, you see, I am a police officer and I work closely with a member of the FBI in a certain city close to Boston. Now, we're talking about J. Edgar Hoover. Now, to me it just seems like he's against everything that we are. Now, believe me, when I tell you this. Right, I am telling you something. I have a family. I'm a police officer. I work with a member of the FBI and this man is so dedicated. What about the disclosure that Mr. Anderson related about the \$14,000 hotel bill? Well, I must turn my radio up because I didn't hear.

WILLIAMS: Okay, well, I'll let Mr. Anderson give you an answer.

Okay, and thank you very much--Jack? You must be some sort of a communist that's for sure.

ANDERSON: Well, Hoover and people like him sometimes try to give that impression. Public officials — like to give the impression that anybody who's against them is against America. This is the same thing that Hitler did in Germany. Everybody who was against Hitler was supposed to be against Germany. And in Russia everybody who was against Stalin was supposed to be against Russia. Well, it's just not true. And I think reasonable and thinking people know that it's quite possible to be opposed to J. Edgar Hoover in this country without being

a communist, and, in fact, the reason that I have written these stories about Hoover is because of the very facts that he is hiding. We have crime in the streets, and crime has been increasing every year, and it has been increasing under J. Edgar Hoover's administration. We have increasing chaos, we have low-grade guerrilla warfare that's already been breaking out in the hard-core of some of our big cities. We have got snipings and shootings; we have got bombings and ambushes; we have got trouble in this country. We have got unrest and even riots on the campuses and in the ghettos. Now, because of this I am concerned about this 76-year-old man and his 70-year-old deputy, a man who could not pass a physical, running the FBI. I already pointed out that Mr. Hoover did a great job of building up the FBI. My only point is that the man ought to have retired with the Nation's gratitude about 10 years ago, and because I am concerned about conditions today, about crime and chaos, and because I think that the FBI ought to be led by a more vigorous--ought to have more vigorous leadership. I decided that it was high time that someone took a strong look at Hoover. Jerry, I'd go beyond that even--beyond that--to add that no man should become so sacrosanct, no government official should become so big that the rest of the officials in Washington should be afraid of him. Now, I think a prominent Boston attorney mentioned this earlier before you were on-mentioned that he felt that the Director, over the years, has set up some paper tigers. The paper tigers were the "Ten Most Wanted" criminals who are on the post office walls, and the FBI was going after these

where single individuals who had probably crossed lines to--crossed state lines--to commit some Federal offenses, but that the real--the real crime in this country is run by the biggest crime syndicate in the world. And the biggest crime syndicate the world has ever known still exists and still operates relatively freely, even with the FBI. Well, that's of course, the truth. There's just no question about it. The menaces to America aren't the people who appear on the "most wanted list." These are little people who are of little consequence. The real threat to the United States is organized crime. And there has never been to my knowledge one of these organized crime figures on the FBI's "most wanted list."

WILLIAMS: All right, let's get on to some other calls for Jack Anderson in Washington. Hello.

CALLER #2: Hello, Jerry?

WILLIAMS: Yes sir. Can you speak up good and clear please?

CALLER #2: All right, can you hear me now?

WILLIAMS: Yes.

CALLER #2: All right, I would like to ask Jack who, if anyone, is

J. Edgar Hoover held responsible to? In other words, in any of his

actions, if anyone?

ANDERSON: The answer to that is that J. Edgar Hoover is supposed to be responsible to the Attorney General, but no Attorney General has dared to give J. Edgar Hoover orders. The one who came closest to it was the late Robert Kennedy.

CALLER #2: How about Ramsey Clark?

ANDERSON: Well, Ramsey Clark never did try to order the FBI around, but Robert Kennedy, because he was the boss, did issue orders to FBI personnel and, boy, when that happened, he just had Hoover on his neck like a buzz saw. Hoover, from that moment on, I think if he had a "most wanted list," he would have put Robert Kennedy at the top of it. And from that moment on he was sabotaging Robert Kennedy. He was knifing him. He was doing things to his boss that he would never tolerate from a Well, undoubtedly, we learned more. As we learn more about the Director, we find that criticism within or without the FBI is not wanted--unwanted--and he is very sensitive about any criticism about himself. That is true, he is extremely sensitive and he answers really to no one except the President. As I said before. and in complete fairness to J. Edgar Hoover, he has kept his place pretty much. He has not gone beyond his role as a policeman. For example, he has--he actually argued against increasing the FBI's jurisdiction. President Johnson wanted to turn the Narcotics Bureau

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WILLIAMS: All right, and I think we have to keep those things in mind, too. Another call for Jack Anderson in Washington. Jerry Williams here on the air now.

CALLER #3: Hello, I would like to ask Mr. Anderson-he seems to be in favor of the concept of the FBI, just doesn't think the guy is efficient who is running it. Well, is he in favor of the FBI infiltrating organizations and wiretapping and snooping? Does he think that they just ought to do a better job of it? Is that what he's got against Hoover? ANDERSON: Well, I think that the FBI ought to-I think we do need an FBI-I think if I were to give you an answer off the top of my head, likely that I would want to see it split in half. I would like to see the FBI divided into a crime-fighting organization and an anti-espionage organization. Now, I must tell you that we don't live in a Utopia yet, but the millenium has not yet arrived, and I would have to say that it's too early to lie down alongside of a lion. This is a rough world; we do have a Mafia. We do have elements in this country who are attempting to overthrow the Government, and, therefore the FBI is necessary.

WILLIAMS: I think most people, Jack, would agree that we need an FBI, that we have to be aware in a democracy about giving too much power to national police forces. We have law enforcement officials all over the country, both on the state and local level. But to compliment the FBI, I don't think as many people--I haven't heard any criticism about doing away with the FBI.

ANDERSON: Well, this question of wiretapping, I think, is a legitmate one. I would question whether the FBI needs to wiretap. It's a lazy policeman's way of picking up information. The wiretaps are not going to catch criminals of any case. The way you get to be the head of the Mafia, you have got to be pretty cunning, and one thing certain--there's no Mafia chieftain in the country who isn't aware that the FBI is probably listening on his telephone. And, therefore, what's he gonna say on the telephone? Is he gonna say anything that will condemn him? Now, I had started to explain this wiretapping before the last break, and I think your listeners, Jerry, will be interested in knowing that the FBI probably has less than 20 wiretaps throughout the country. But the way they get around you is that the local FBI Agent in Charge will usually have good relations with the local police department, and he'll go to the local police and get them to put taps in certain places. Also, the FBI uses bugs, and that doesn' count as a wiretap--you don't have to go to a judge to get an order to put a bug in a room. They only have to go to a judge to get an order to put a tap on a telephone, and so the FBI has many more bugs in rooms, but very few telephone taps because they are subject to the law and they must go to a

judge to get this authorization. And they want to be able to say behind closed doors in Congress that they only have a few telephone taps. They don't go on to explain how many bugs they have or how many local law enforcement agencies are doing tapping for them.

WILLIAMS: I am gonna break for just a moment again. Jack Anderson, a famed Washington columnist, with us tonight from Washington, D. C. And now for Jack Anderson in Washington. Hello, you are on the air. CALLER #4: Good evening, Mr. Williams. Could you tell me how both you and Mr. Anderson could answer this. Do either of you gentlemen feel that Mr. Hoover's rather heavy-handed methods of running the FBI create any difficulties for the Agents that work for him so that they do not do their job the way they would like to, and if you do feel that, do you feel that his replacement will cause any alleviation of the situation?

WILLIAMS: I like this question, Jack.

ANDERSON: Yes, I think that the morale is bad in the FBI. I have talked to a number of FBI Agents in the course of my investigation of Hoover and, of course, they're almost afraid to talk, and most of them, in fact, are afraid and won't talk to you. But the few that you can catch alone after they've looked over both their shoulders, or after they've taken you out in the hallway--you find out that morale is bad, and it is bad because Hoover is really a tyrant. He banishes

to Butte anyone who's critical of him or who might embarrass him, even accidentally. If--say if an Agent in good faith makes a

## statement that--that is not the least critical of the FBI or its

You mean that's literally so?

WILLIAMS:

Director. If that statement somehow should be twisted a bit and become a local issue and hit the local press and become embarrassing to the FBI--well, off to Butte.

ANDERSON: That's literally right. \_\_\_\_\_\_ last night said that he could have gone to Butte, but that would have killed his career in the FBI and he just wasn't going to put up with that. Well, I'll bet this is going on and obviously it tears the effectiveness of

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FBI Agents. Bad morale does. They didn't used to have bad morale, but they do now--morale is low.

WILLIAMS: Do you get any indications from people of Washington that when J. Edgar Hoover finally retires, or is replaced, or whatever, that there'll no longer be a single Director?

ANDERSON: No, I think that J. Edgar Hoover is going to try to pick somebody that he can-that he feels that if he should have to retire right away, that he feels that he could control. I don't think the President is going to accept his recommendation, however. President Nixon has already spoken to of Los Angeles

County, about replacing Hoover. Now, there was no indication in the

President's approach to \_\_\_\_\_\_that he intended to replace Hoover immediately. But just looking at the actuary tables, Hoover, after all, is human, and at 76, he can't live forever.

And with this in mind, Nixon spoke to

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the job. was noncommittal. But the fact that the President is looking around for a replacement indicates that one may come, and he would expect him to take over the same FBI that Hoover leaves. Although I would strongly recommend—I would strongly urge that it be split in half because it's in the American tradition not to have a too strong a national police. Too much

WILLIAMS: All right, ten minutes to 11:00. Jack Anderson's in Washington, and you're on the air, sir.

power in the hands of one man. I'm opposed to that.

CALLER #5: Jerry, we had a great aunt a few years ago--I can't remember her name without looking back in the family tree--but she passed away some six or seven years ago, as I recall, and the family rumors were pretty strong at the time that her greatest claim to fame was that she was an astrologer in Washington, D. C., and her most famous, prominent customer at the time was Mr. Hoover. I think we could corroborate this with a little checking into the family with some details, but I just wondered if Mr. Anderson might like to add that to his collection of things he has on Mr. Hoover, and whether or not he still has an astrologer that he goes to.

ANDERSON: Well, that's something that I would have to investigate because I haven't heard it before. Well, let me tell you that a man

who's been around for 47 years has done a lot of things that I--that even with our two-month investigation on him--we still haven't uncovered. This may be one of them, but I have no information about his consulting an astrologer.

WILLIAMS: Might not be anything unusual. Some of the world's great leaders used to consult astrologers. Next call please for Jack Anderson. Hello.

CALLER #6: I was going to ask a question of Mr. Anderson.

WILLIAMS: Yes, well, we can't hear you too well on your line so state the question and I will try to rephrase it to Jack Anderson.

CALLER #6: All right. Would you tell him that the FBI first captured an--extortionist--who was threatening myself and my small children. And the I had--I followed this up through Senator Brooke who---.

WILLIAMS: Well, see, sir, this gets into a kind of a personal thing that we can't handle on the program. But if it is a public thing that has to do with Mr. Hoover or what Mr. Anderson has been talking about, we'd appreciate your staying with that. Thank you very much. Next call. Hello?

CALLER #7: Yes, Jerry.

WILLIAMS: Yes, speak loudly please.

CALLER #7: Yes, I have two questions for your guest.

WILLIAMS: Yes.

CALLER #7: I think we all realize that the Director of the FBI must be a strong person, and I would just like to know what he (Anderson) thinks would be the qualities that the new Director of the FBI should have?

Number 2., As you know, we admit that J. Edgar Hoover is getting senile and old. What can the average person like myself do to see that we get somebody new in there?

ANDERSON: Well, I think that the President needs to be bolstered by some letters as Isaid he is already looking around for a replacement, and I think he would be encouraged to do so that if he got more support from the public. I think that Nixon is totally aware he is too old to be on the job. It is such a political risk to fire a saint and the closest thing we have in Washington is J. Edgar Hoover. He is the only government official who has achieved sainthood, I think, in our time. It is a difficult thing, and I thing that if the President felt that the public would support him that if he did, the country would be better off...the FBI would be better off...and his replacement, I can only say one thing, I would not want him to establish a cult of personality as Hoover's done. You see Hoover has become symbolic with the FBI. Hoover is the FBI in the minds of most Americans and I think that's a mistake. I would

want a man in there who is a tough law enforcement man, who knows exactly how far a law enforcement officer should go, who believes in the democratic processes and is willing to accept the direction of his superiors. I would want the next FBI Director, for example, to be subject to the Attorney General as the law requires him to be and if the Attorney General wants to order an FBI Agent around or if the Attorney General wants to order the new Director around, I would hope that we would have a Director who would take orders.

WILLIAMS: Allright, our next call for Jack Anderson in Washington.

CALLER #8. I have been listening to your program for half an hour and I have a couple of points I would like to make, a couple of questions, number one point would be of Jack that, of course, while I don't question his veracity, I question the motives of a man who makes a living with sensational exposes. Number two, while he makes constant reference to the ability of Hoover or his cohort or buddy to pass a physical examination, I have heard no comment on his mental ability. The fact that a man cannot pass a physical examination in a job where he is a supervisor...

WILLIAMS: Well, a bit earlier, Jack Anderson did mention that he felt that Clyde Tolson was not mentally agile and he had suffered several strokes.

CALLER #7. Jack had mentioned he dragged a leg. This was a physical impairment rather than a mental one; however, Hoover is still head of the FBI.

WILLIAMS: If a man like Mr. Anderson who is a nationally known columnist can't do the kind of muckraking that is necessary in government who would you suggest do it?

CALLER # 7. I suggest he do it, but I see no point to criticize Hoover.

Mr. Anderson made the statement that he would like a younger more
progressive man than Mr. Hoover. Who is to say that a younger more
progressive man would not use the same aggressive tactics as Mr. Hoover.

ANDERSON: I am not in the muckraking business for the money, but I
don't turn the money down. But if I thought all I was accomplishing was
earning a living, I would get out of it because it isn't that much fun or that
pleasant. I think that public officers ought to be subject to a spotlight. I
think a public office is a public trust and someone has to be around to
watch these fellows. As far as J. Edgar Hoover is concerned, this is
something that has been established over and over again. Most great
corporations won't keep any man on past the age of 65, and here you have
J. Edgar Hoover at 76... Is he mentally senile? No!... Everybody I talk
to tells me his mind is still keen. As for Clyde Tolson, there are those

who say that he does have lapses, mental lapses, but there are times when he is quite clear but there are other times when he is vague and mumbling and doesn't make sense. In either case, these men have passed the retirement age. There is no shortage of information, no shortage of statistics to show that after the age of 65, that men ought to be promoted from actively running a corporation to maybe, Chairman of the Board, or maybe to an honorary position. I would like to have seen Hoover moved up, sort of as an elder statesman with his advice and consultation available to the new Director, about 10 years ago.

WILLIAMS: Jack, once again I am in your debt. Are you going to keep this crusade up?

ANDERSON: I don't know that it's a crusade. I just felt that Hoover ought to be investigated before he retired. We have done that. If we find anything really interesting we will write about it.

WILLIAMS: I appreciate it and thank you very much. If you need me let me know.

ANDERSON: It was good to talk to you again.

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SUBJECT:

BUREAU COOPERATION WITH DEPARTMENTAL STRIKE FORCES INFORMATION CONCERNING

The September 2, 1971, issue of the 'Washington Post' carries an article by columnist Jack Anderson alleging that the Bureau has 'let down the rest of the anti-Mafia team" by not cooperating fully with the Departmental Strike Forces assigned to fight organized crime throughout the United States.

The complaint, of course, is one that has been voiced on a number of occasions before by outsiders not familiar with the arrangement approved by the Attorney General wherein our offices work with the various Strike Forces through a liaison system rather than by assigning large groups of Agents directly to the Forces themselves. Anderson's statement, therefore, that we have only one Agent assigned to the New York City unit and none to Detroit overlooks the fact that we have more than 230 Agents handling organized crime matters in those two areas and all are working in close conjunction with the FILED Departmental groups.

A typical example of our relations with these Strike Forces occurred during the Michigan gambling raids of May, 1971, which were supervised from their inception by the Special Agent in Charge of our Detroit A typical example of our relations with these Strike Forces office while the Task Force representatives handled such legal aspects as the preparation of search warrants, arrest warrants, affidavits, and the like. told, some 150 persons were apprehended during the course of the raids, includ ing 16 members of the Detroit Police Department accused of having taken bribes from the underworld.

Such raids support the general Bureau positid 84th at we do not have sufficient manpower to adequately fulfill our various other investigative responsibilities and still assign men full-time to each Strike Force. Instead, we have a representative here at the Seat of Government and one in each of the

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16 cities having Strike Forces to serve in a liaison capacity between the Departmental attorneys and our investigative personnel. As a result of this liaison, goals are set, targets designated, and priorities established to insure that the Government's drive against organized crime is fully effective.

Last fiscal year saw FBI convictions hit an all-time high in the organized crime field (an increase of 170 over the previous year's total of 461), with more than 1,900 other hoodlum subjects in various stages of prosecution as the year drew to a close. A large number of these were accounted for in cities having Strike Forces and were a direct result of the close cooperation between these Forces and our field offices.

Among those arrested or convicted during Fiscal Year 1971 were the heads of seven La Cosa Nostra "families," including the heads of three of the five in New York City, where Anderson charges the FBI has been particularly remiss in fulfilling its obligations.

In addition, information originally developed by the Bureau and disseminated to other Federal, state, and local agencies last year enabled the recipient agencies to make more than 3,700 arrests--including many of the narcotics variety. This refutes Anderson's closing statement that the Bureau provides only 'marginal help' in the nationwide crack down now being conducted on drug offenders obtaining supplies from the organized underworld.

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For information. A copy of Anderson's article is enclosed herewith.

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let out a roar of displeasure.

The unfortunate Lovin was disciplined. The even more unfortunate hijacker, Richard Obergiell, died of bailet wounds.

Earlier, we told how Hoover another agent, John F. Mullen, whose picture appeared in The Washington Post vith side-burns extending almost to the boltom of his ear. Although the sideburns were toollong to suit Hoover.

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May purpose in writing is to set the record straight concerning two of Jack Anderson's more recent columns--both published in The Wachington Post--which fairaly and unfairly belittle and decogate personnel of the PBI. I limit this letter to two of Anderson's recent columns because there is not enough stationery at our Headquarters, nor are there enough hours in the workweek, to issue public. denials of all the misinformation which this purveyor of fiction has written regarding the FBI.

The two columns to which I direct your attention were published in The Washington Post on August 13 and September 2, 1871. The former makes the completely false and baseless allegation that disciplicary action was taken against the FBI Agent whose very skillful, decisive, and proper action in New York last July brought a successful end to an airplane hijacking. As a matter of fact, not only was this Agent not disciplined, L. Line personally commended him and also pave him a meritéribles cash award for his outstanding performance of duty in this case. In addition, he has also een selected for an assignment involving additional responsibility. N 08 NV, N

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The September 2nd column trresponsibly charges the FDI with felling to cooperate with the Justice Department's Strike Porces in the fight against engaged crime. Again, contrary to the felse picture which Anderson would paint, the FDI, with the approval of the Atlantay Conoral, has a coigned Unison Agents to the Strike Forces in the field and at Kondquarters and upon many hundreds of Agents to combat organized crime and develop cases which are presecuted by the Strike Forces.

To examplify both the genuine nature and the high caliber of this cooperation, let me eite the gambling saids which our Agents carried out, with Departmental Task Torce support and assistance, in Michigan last May. These resulted in the arrest of more than 150 persons by FBI personnel equipped with search warrants, afficavits, and warrants of arrest, prepared in close conjunction with Task Force attorneys.

This workable, effective, cooperative relationship has contributed to a growing record of accomplishments against organized crime across the country. During the 1971 fiscal year, for example, an all-time high 621 Federal convictions of organized crime figures were recorded in FM cases. Furthermore, as the fiscal year ended, FM organized crime cases involving more than 1,900 other persons, including six national Speciente leaders, were in various stages of prosecution.

in accition, intermation originally developed by the FBI and discondicated to local, state, and other Federal authorities enabled the recipient agencies to make more than 0,700 errects in the engaglish crime field device the 1871 fiscal year. Many of these errects involved remarked elarges, a meet serious area of the crime problem to which Anderson felsely asserts this Bureau has been insensitive.

fince Anderson's false statements regarding these matters were published in your newspaper, I am confident that you will share my view that your readers are entitled also to see this factual relatation and statement of truth.

Sincerely youre,

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation United States Department of Justice Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Jack Anderson

In regards to your letter of August 26, 1971, you were correct in your assumption that I was unaware of the letter sent to you by and on our official stationery. Their comments in their letter to you of August 23, 1971, are personal opinions and do not reflect a policy position of the ten counties or 68 cities contained in the First District; nor do they represent an official position by the First District staff. Their letter does illustrate a rather appalling lack of mature judgment in their use of official stationery in their personal disagreements with public officials.

Both of these gentlemen are new to government, and I hope they will learn from this experience. Of the district, I feel it is my responsibility to apologize to you for the use of our official stationery in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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## Dear Mr. Speaker:

Usually I do not waste time denying the many inaccurate and completely false statements made by the leading jackal of columnists, Jack Anderson, but I did note in his column for August 21, 1971, an excerpt which I am enclosing with this letter, in which he states that the FBI has been keeping tabs on your private life. He further states that agents of this Bureau have checked out all of the references made to you although you were not the subject of an FBI investigation, and he further alleges that the G-men are quietly running down rumors about your personal life.

Characteristic of this jackal, none of the statements made about you and the FBI in this column has a scintilla of foundation. I wanted you to know this firsthand from me because many times individuals who may casually read Anderson's column take for granted that he could not be such a malicious and vicious liar and misinterpret the facts as he characteristically does.

With expressions of my best wishes and highest esteem, I am

Sincerely,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

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## Excerpt from Jack Anderson's Column, The Washington Post Times Herald, August 21, 1971

"FBI Snooping - The FBI has been keeping tabs on the private life of Speaker Carl Albert. We have reported in past columns that Albert's name was picked up by the FBI bug planted in lobbyist Fred Black's hotel suite. Agents checked out all the references made to Albert, although he wasn't the subject of the FBI investigation. Now G-men are quietly running down rumors about the Speaker's personal life."

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The Washington Merry-Go-Round

THE WASHINGTON POST Saturday, Aug. 7, 1971

# Hughes and His Hired Hands

## By Jack Anderson

LAS VEGAS-From his penthouse hermitage, Howard Hughes used to issue orders to public officials as if they were hired hands.

We have obtained copies of the secret, scribbled instructions he handed down to his Nevada foreman, Robert Maheu.

For four years, the nation's richest man lived as a recluse in a clinically sealed pent-house above Las Vegas' neon glitter. He grew a long white beard and acquired a multimillion-dollar collection of gambling casinos and silver mines.

To ramrod this dazzling empire, he hired Maheu, an ex-FBI agent, who had been operating a private Missions Impossible agency in Washington, D.C.

Not even Maheu ever saw the elusive Hughes, who kept out of sight in his neon-lit lair surrounded only by six male nursemaid-bodyguards. Maheu got all his orders by telephone or in writing.

Now Hughes has disappeared from Nevada as mysteriously as his dark-of-night arrival four years earlier. But his hand-written memos to Maheu remain behind under combined in one package. court seal.

These memos indicate that Paul Laxalt, while governor of treat friends in this way. Let's Nevada, was deeply involved have the Gov. working on this." in helping Hughes acquire some of the state's most glam- the Stardust in Las Vegas, orous gambling places. Even however, that finally got him the head of the FBI in Las into trouble with the Justice the

Vegas, Harold "Red" Camp Department's antitrust divi-bell, was pressed into assisting sion in 1968. hugnes wan his acquisitions according to the memos.

Nevada's two senators, Alan Bible and Howard Cannon, were reported in the memos to be running interference for Hughes in Washington.

When the Justice Department threatened to go to court transaction." to block Hughes from amassing more casinos, Maheu re-'many friends in Washington" had intervened. Among them, he said, was Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman James Eastland (D.-Miss.).

In 1968, Hughes tried unsuccessfully to take over Harrah's famous gambling emporiums at Reno and Lake Tahoe. He scribbled impatient instructions to Maheu.

"I feel," Hughes wrote, "the Gov. should point out to Harrah the obvious unfairness in encouraging us for six months to believe the price will be based upon the general formula I spelled out and then a complete reversal of his position and a demand that we pay for the Tahoe Club alone the identical price he had been quoting for the two clubs

"I feel the Gov. ought to explain to Harrah that you don't

It was Hughes' attempt to buy

'Yet he wrote Maheu: "I feel (has) gone out on a limb to to return to private law pracsponsor this deal, we are oblitice, told us he had merely gated to go thru with it. And made appointments to help that goes even tho Laxalt may say we are free to do as we empire. wish. . . . We must close the

But later, Hughes apparently wavered in his thinking. ported to the penthouse that He wrote Maheu on March 14, 1968: "Are you sure that we should go ahead with this deal nity to offer the Gov. a compromise which will place him in debt to us for a long time to come?"

Hughes was also getting some static over his acquisitions from George Dickerson, then a member of the Nevada Gaming Commission. For the billionaire was dickering not only to take over the Stardust but the Silver Slipper and Silver Nugget casinos as well.

"Bob," Hughes instructed
Maheu, "I approve heartly of
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BL of Nevada will convince ckerson also of the likewise riance of our buying out

Paul Laxalt, who retired that since the Governor . . . from the governorship this year Hughes build up his Nevada

"We thought heavy Hughes involvement in Nevada was healthy," Laxalt explained. He said he had turned down overtures from Hughes to join his organization. "I gave; him a hand-written memo indicating instead of taking this opportu- I couldn't join him," Laxalt said. He acknowledged, however, that he does some consulting work for the Hughes interests.

Harold Campbell, the local FBI head, refused to return our calls.

Footnote: after the Justice Department threatened to file a lawsuit to stop Hughes from purchasing the Stardust, Maheu reported to Hughes on June 28, 1968:

"Howard Cannon called me this afternoon to inform that he and Sen. Bible have been told all day long-by fellow senators-that they can depend on full support and assistance in sustaining their position that we obtain the Stardust..

"In the meantime, I've been in constant touch with George Franklin (then Las Vegas district attorney) and Gov. Laxalt, and they are both ready to challenge the Department single-handedly."

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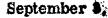
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In reply to your letter of September 3rd asking if the . FBI is controlled by the "Mafia," I can assure you that this is absolutely untrue. As a matter of fact, during the 1971 fiscal year, an all-time high 631 Federal convictions of organized crime figures were recorded in FBI cases. As the fiscal year ended, FBI organized crime cases involving more than 1,900 other persons, including six national Syndicate leaders, were in various stages of prosecution. This should make it obvious that organized crime considers the FBI as its worst enemy.

With regard to the article by Jack Anderson which you enclosed. I have followed a uniform policy of not dignifying with any comment the lies concerning the FBI which Anderson has included in his columns. I certainly do not think that you can force a person of Anderson's ilk to ever admit his errors and I see no need to waste my time in such an endeavor.

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Sincerely yours.

J. Edgar Hoover

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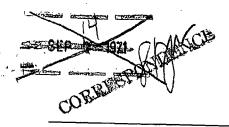
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#### Jack Anderson

## FBI Spurns Mafia Foes

WASHINGTON — The FBI has plenty of agents to search for stolen cars, inflitrate anti-war rallies, keep files on congressmen and polish J. Edgar Hoover's image. But it has assigned only four to the Justice Department's vital, 17-city drive against the Mafia.

The campaign against the centipede crime syndicate is spearheaded by strike forces in each city. These are run by tough, young Justice Department lawyers, who have 228 federal agents from various law enforcement agencies working under them.

The confidential strike force rosters show how badly the FBI has let down the rest of the anti-Mafia team. Only four of the 228 federal agents come from the FBI. The rest are Treasury, narcotics, postal and securities agents.

Apologists for the FBI insist that its agents help out the strike forces without direct assignments, that the FBI conducts its own separate Mafia investigations. This is partly true, but other agencies have contributed full-time lawmen to a unified drive against organized crime.

In New York City, corporate headquarters of the Cosa Nostra, 27 agents are fighting organized crime under the Justice Department lawyers. The FBI has contributed one man.

On the West Coast, a hotbed of Mafia activity, 33 federal agents are working for strike forces in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Not one of them is an FBI man.

The FBI has assigned one man each to the strike forces in Chicago, Pittsburgh and Boston, But not a single FBI agent serves on the strike forces in Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Kansas City, Miami, New Orleans, Philadelphia and St. Louis.

Footnote: Drug addicts, who must steal to feed their habit, have caused the alarming increase in unorganized crime. And the Mafia is the brains behind most organized crime. Yet the nation's foremost law enforcement agency, the 7,800-man FBI, turned down expresident Lyndon Johnson's appeal to help crack down on the illicit drug traffic and provides only marginal help in the drive against the Mafia.

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THE "NEVADA STATE JOURNAL", RENO, NEVADA, TODAY,

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ANDERSON'S COMMENTS CONCERNING ME ARE COMPLETELY FALSE.

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COMPLETE FALSEHOOD, BUT IMPOSSIBLILITY OF BEING TRUE.

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COMPLETELY FINALIZED, HIS OPERATION OF THE STARDUST WAS ONLY PENDING EXPIRATION OF THE THEN CURRENT LEASE AS OF JUNE THIRTY SIXTY-EIGHT.

ON JUNE TWENTY-SEVEN. SIXTY-EIGHT. SAC. LAS VEGAS. WAS CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED BY THE U.S. ATTORNEY, NEVADA. THAT THE ANTI-TRUST DIVISION OF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAD SOUGHT INJUNCTIONS AGAINST HUGHES' TAKE-OVER OF THE STARDUST UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE SHERMAN ANTI-TRUST ACT. FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS BETWEEN HUGHES' COUNSEL AND JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ATTORNEYS TO DEFER THE TAKE-OVER. HOWARD HUGHES ANNOUNCED ON AUGUST SIXTEEN SIXTY-EIGHT, CANCELLATION OF THE STARDUST PURCHASE, GIVING NO REASON FOR SAME. THE FBI WAS TO MY KNOWLEDGE AT NO TIME IN ANY WAY INVOLVED OR CONSULTED IN EITHER THE STARDUST OR SILVER SLIPPER ACQUISITIONS AND MY ONLY KNOWLEDGE OF SAME WAS, OF COURSE, AFTER NEGOTIATIONS WERE COMPLETED AND BASED SOLELY UPON INFORMATION FROM OUR SOURCES AND WHAT APPEARED IN THE NEWS MEDIA. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE STARDUST WAS PRINCIPALLY OWNED BY M. B. DALITZ, WELL-KNOWN HOODLUM, WHO LATER SOLD THE HOTEL TO THE END PAGE FOUR

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PARVIN-DOHRMANN CORPORATION (NOW RECRION), IN EARLY NINETEEN SIXTY-NINE.

I HAVE DEALT WITH ON A MOST CIRCUMSPECT BASIS

AT ALL TIMES. I DID NOT ACTUALLY MEET OR PERSONALLY CONFER

WITH HIM FOLLOWING MY ARRIVAL IN LAS VEGAS UNTIL THE FALL

OF NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT. I HAVE HAD ONLY OFFICIAL DISCUSSIONS

WITH HIM AND THOSE HAVE BEEN LIMITED TO FOUR OCCASIONS, ALL

OF WHICH ARE COMPLETELY RECORDED IN APPROPRIATE FILES. I

HAVE HAD NO SOCIAL CONTACT WITH AT NO TIME DURING MY

TENURE AT LAS VEGAS HAS OR ANY OTHER REPRESENTATIVE OF

HOWARD HUGHES EVER REQUESTED ANY FORM OF OFFICIAL INTERVENTION

OR PERSONAL FAVOR. IT IS WELL-KNOWN IN THE STATE OF NEVADA

THAT I HAVE AT NO TIME, ENGAGED IN OR PERMITTED ANY ACTIVITY

BY ANY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO LAS VEGAS, WHICH HAS NOT BEEN

STRICTLY WITHIN OUR INVESTIGATIVE JURISDICTION.

REGARDING GEORGE DICKERSON, I HAVE NEVER MET WITH

HIM OFFICIALLY NOR WAS I EVER REQUESTED TO DO SO. HE RESIGNED

FROM THE NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION IN THE LATE SUMMER OF

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NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT. MY ONLY CONTACT WITH HIM WAS IN JULY,

SIXTY-EIGHT, WHEN HE CAME BY THE OFFICE WITH THE CHAIRMAN

AND LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE NEVADA GAMING CONTROL BOARD TO

PAY HIS RESPECTS, AT WHICH TIME I JOINED THEM FOR LUNCH. NO

DISCUSSION OF AN OFFICIAL NATURE WAS HAD ON THAT DATE, INCLUD
ING ANY DISCUSSION WHATSOEVER CONCERNING THE HUGHES' OPERATION.

AS THE BUREAU IS AWARE, I AT ALL TIMES, DEALT CIRCUMSPECTLY WITH PAUL LAXALT WHILE HE WAS GOVERNOR AND I HAVE HAD NO CONTACT WITH HIM SINCE HE LEFT OFFICE.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, JACK ANDERSON WAS
IN LAS VEGAS APPROXIMATELY TEN DAYS AGO.
CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED ON AUGUST SIX, LAST, THAT ANDERSON
CONFERRED WITH HIS LONG-TIME FRIEND AND ASSOCIATE,
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ANDERSON INQUIRED OF SOURCE RE NAME OF "HEAD OF FBI IN LAS
VEGAS". AT THAT TIEM SOURCE FURNISHED ANDERSON NAME OF HAROLD
CAMPBELL AND STATED CLOSE FRIENDS CALLED HIM BY NICKNAME "RED".

INSTANT ARTICLE IS THE SECOND TO BE PUBLISHED IN NEVADA, THE FIRST BEING PUBLISHED ON AUGUST SIX, LAST, AND HAVING TO DO WITH HUGHES' POLITICAL MOVES IN THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN OF NINETEEN SIXTY-EIGHT. THIS ARTICLE REPORTED LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM HOWARD HUGHES TO PRESIDENT NIXON AS WELL AS A SMALLER CONTRIBUTION TO HUBERT HUMPHREY. THE ARTICLE REPORTED IT WAS THE ULTIMATE DESIRE OF HUGHES TO BACK LAXALT FOR PRESIDENT, POSSIBLE IN NINETEEN SEVENTY-TWO.

THE BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY FURTHER PERTINENT DISCLOSURES OR ALLEGATIONS.

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FBI WASH DC

OLR CC: Mr. Bishop

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## MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL WILL R. WILSON

Pursuant to our conversation this morning, I am enclosing a copy of a Letter to the Editor which appeared in .

The Washington Post this morning.

Sincerely yours,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

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The two columns to which I direct your attention were published in The Washington Post on Aug. 18 and Sept. 2. The former makes the completely false and baseless allegation that disciplinary action was taken against the FBI agent whose very skillful, decisive, and proper action in New York last July brought a successful end to an airplane hijacking. As a matter of fact, not only was this agent not disciplined, but I personally commended him and also gave him a meritorious cash award for his outstanding performance of duty in this case. In addition, he has also been selected for an assignment involving additional responsibility.

The Sept. 2 column irresponsibly charges the FBI with failing to cooperate with the Justice Department's strike forces in the fight against organized crime. Again, contrary to the false picture which Anderson would paint, the FBI, with the approval of the Attorney General, has assigned liaison agents to the strike forces in the field and at headquarters and uses many hundreds of agents to combat organized crime and develop cases which are prosecuted by the strike forces.

To exemplify both the genuine nature and

the high caliber of this cooperation, let me cite the gambling raids which our agents carried out, with departmental task force support and assistance. In Michigan last May these resulted in the arrest of more than 150 persons by FBI personnel equipped with search warrants, affidavits, and warrants of arrest, prepared in close conjunction with task force attorneys.

This workable, effective, cooperative relationship has contributed to a growing record of accomplishments against organized crime across the country. During the 1971 fiscal year, for example, an all-time high 631 federal convictions of organized crime figures were recorded in FBI cases. Furthermore, as the fiscal year ended, FBI organized crime cases involving more than 1,900 other persons, including six national syndicate leaders, were in various stages of prosecution.

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LETTER TO MRS. KATHARINE GRAHAM PUBLISHER

THE WASHINGTON POST, 9/7/71

CONCERNING LIES IN JACK ANDERSON'S COLUMN

The Director will recall that under date of 9/7/71 he sent <u>a</u> letter to Mrs. Katharine Graham pointing out lies in two recent Jack Anderson columns which appeared in her paper. "The Washington Post" has printed the Director's letter in its issue of September 17, 1971. In reading the letter as it appears in "The Washington Post," it was noted by Bishop that the Post has made a typographical error in reproducing the letter. In the 4th paragraph, the sentence should read "... with Departmental Task Force support and assistance, in Michigan last May. These resulted in the arrest of .... 'Instead, as printed in the Post, this statement is "... with departmental task force support and assistance. In Michigan last May these resulted in the arrest of ...."

On 9/17/71, Bishop telephoned of "The Washington Post, " in the "Letter to the Editor" column, and advised him that there was an error in the letter of Mr. Hoover reproduced in the Post. He was quite flabbergasted and expressed great dismay. He immediately asked "Is the mistake ours?" Bishop informed him that the mistake was, indeed, that of "The Washington Post" and was another example of the inaccuracies which appear in this paper. He apologized for the mistake stating that it probably occurred in the composing room.

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