

Police compile political dossiers

CHICAGO (AP) — Police spies compiled secret dossiers on thousands of Chicagoans, including some of the city's most prominent attorneys, scholars and clergymen, court documents showed Wednesday.

Albert Jenner, who served as minority counsel on the House Impeachment Committee of former President Nixon; Stanley Kaplan, a law professor at the University of Chicago, and the Rt. Rev. James W. Montgomery, bishop of the Episcopal Church of Chicago, were among 24 persons who authorized release of copies of their dossiers.

They were compiled by the intelligence division of the Chicago Police Department and ordered turned over to lawyers in connection with two suits seeking to bar such action in the future.

One of the attorneys in the case said he believes such activity is continuing. There was no comment from Police Supt. James Rochford.

More than 112,000 index cards on thousands of individuals were turned over to lawyers. The police department has admitted destroying cards bearing another 105,000 names.

Jenner's file dates to 1953 when he was one of the attorneys defending several professors before the Senate Internal Security Committee. It also notes his support for Charles Percy, now a U.S. senator, when Percy ran for Congress in 1953, Jenner said.

The dossier mentions that Jenner served on the Warren Commission investigating the assassination of President Kennedy and represented clients before the defunct House Committee on Un-American Activities.

The file incorrectly indicates he was indicted with a savings and loan official, Jenner said, and it contains a 1972 entry noting that Jenner was a member of a committee working with black attorneys "attacking problems of poverty and discrimination."

Jenner told a news conference that the police spying is "alarming," "illegal" and could "chill" attorneys from representing clients in unpopular cases.

Surveillance by the police department on private individuals has been a matter of public knowledge for several years, but this was the first time the contents of specific dossiers were revealed. It also was the first time that Jenner and the other 23 persons have been identified as spy targets.

Kaplan's file dates to 1949 when he became a member of the executive committee of the American Civil Liberties Union, one of the organizations which sued the police department.

Bishop Montgomery's file contained a 1966 newspaper clipping from the Chicago Defender, a black daily newspaper, noting that Montgomery "has helped Negro families move to predominantly white suburbs."

World at a glance

From Associated Press reports

Syrians hang terrorists

DAMASCUS, Syria — Crowds braved a cold dawn Thursday to watch the hangings of three men convicted for a series of bomb attacks allegedly instigated by Iraq. Some of the crowd spat on a body.

A Palestinian was hanged here in the capital's main square and two other men, both Syrians, were executed in the northern city of Aleppo.

An official announcement said nine other Syrians were also found guilty during secret trials on similar charges. Four were jailed for life and the other five got terms ranging from one to seven years.

Chinese press halts attack

HONG KONG — The Chinese press has halted its drive to discredit former Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping, indicating the moderate leader may be in line for a second spectacular political comeback.

Peking wall posters were reported Thursday calling Teng "comrade" again and describing him as a victim of the now disgraced radical clique led by Mao Tse-tung's widow.

NAACP checking Bell

NEW YORK — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) said Wednesday that it is looking into whether Atty. Gen.-designate Griffin Bell was the architect of Georgia's legislative plan to resist integration in 1958.

A spokesman for NAACP said the researchers were to report Saturday morning at a meeting here of the civil rights group's executive board on their findings on whether Bell, chief of staff to then-Gov. Ernest Vandiver, shaped legislation for massive resistance to integration after studying Virginia's methods at the request of the governor.

Agnew called foreign agent

WASHINGTON — A retired attorney from Miami, Fla., claims the Justice Department is ignoring U.S. security interests by failing to force former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew to register as a foreign agent.

Sam Polur, 52, claims Agnew is serving as a "propagandist" for Arab governments through a tax-exempt organization called "Education for Democracy."

Live TV to cover sessions

SALEM — Daily sessions of the Oregon Legislature will be broadcast on live television for the first time this year.

The Oregon Educational and Public Broadcast System plans to air three programs daily, five days a week for a six-week trial period. The shows will be on the state's three public TV outlets — channels 7 in Corvallis, 10 in Portland and 3 in Salem.

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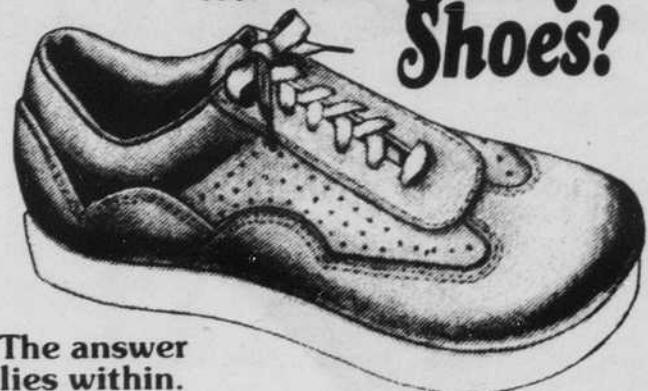
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Guidelines set for FBI informants

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department Wednesday announced guidelines allowing the FBI to use informers in "carefully limited" cases. Department and FBI officials said the rules generally conform to the current practice.

Informers are private citizens who agree to act as spies for the FBI. Sometimes they are paid flat fees or weekly retainers as high as \$400. In other cases, they are involved in the crime and agree to act as informers as a way of escaping prosecution themselves.

Atty. Gen. Edward Levi issued the guidelines last month after

they were developed by a department committee in cooperation with the FBI.

The rules cover the use of informers in criminal investigations, primarily organized crime cases, and domestic security investigations.

The use of informers by the FBI and other agencies has roused widespread criticism and allegations that informers provoked others into committing crimes, that informers were free to commit crimes with the tacit approval of the FBI, and that informers spying on political organizations stifled free expression.

The FBI has acknowledged that some informers committed crimes while working for the bureau but insisted that the FBI never condoned such activity.

The allegations generally arose from the FBI's use of informers in investigating political movements in the 1960s and early 1970s, and many of those investigative practices have been changed.

The department guidelines state that "the technique of using informants to assist in the investigation of criminal activity, since it may involve an element of deception and intrusion into the privacy of individuals or may require government co-operation with persons whose reliability and motivation may be open to question, should be carefully limited."

Informers may not be used for activities which FBI agents could not legally perform themselves if they were working undercover.

FBI Director Clarence Kelley issued a statement saying he is pleased with the guidelines and feels "they will be helpful in the future management control of informants."

Beer sale cited

ATLANTA (AP) — Billy Carter, President-elect Carter's brother, has been told to explain to state officials why beer was sold at his service station in Plains on a Sunday.

Ed Vaughn, director of the alcohol and tobacco tax unit of the state Revenue Department, said Wednesday the citation charges that one of Carter's employees sold beer to a state agent in violation of state law on Sunday, Dec. 12.

"As far as we know, Mr. Carter was not present," Vaughn said. He said he understood the sale was made by a part-time employee earning money while out of college during the holidays.

Vaughn said the case was routine. "There is nothing special about it," he said, adding that the department had cited seven holders of beer selling licenses in Sumter County, in which Plains is located.

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