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30, November, 1964

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Dear Mr. President,

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In view of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's scurrilous and unwarranted attack on Martin Luther King, many of us wonder if his usefulness as head of the F.B.I. has not been greatly undermined, and come to an end.

His further assertion that in this racial issue he is for States Rights, in which case the Negro in some southern States could kiss his dream of Justice goodbye indefinitely, lends much plausibility, if not credence, to Dr. King's contention that Mr. Hoover and his men are a bit soft in protecting the rights of Negroes in the South.

Certainly his intemperate accusation has seriously lessened confidence in Mr. Hoover in the minds of many, and his assertion of StatesRights in this issue has increased distrust.

With highest regard and the best of wishes,

Ever yours,

*William Scarlett*

William Scarlett.

The President.

PS: For all our sakes, take care of yourself.



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1651 E. McWood St.  
West Covina, Calif.  
November 29, 1964

To the President of the United States;

I am very upset over the news tonight, that you are looking for a replacement for Mr. Hoover of the F.B.I.

Mr. Hoover has headed a department of the Federal government which has been free of various offenses that we, the American people have come to accept with political position and party. Even by trying, I cannot justify your action in this case.

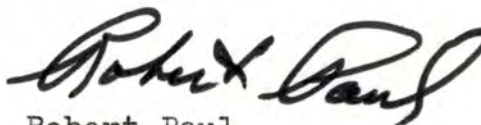
Since I am a registered Independent, my objection is probably worth less than a dyed in the wool Democrat, but should be worth more than a Republican.

I, ask your aids (who will read this)--who will you find who is capable to take over this job. Your selection of Mr. Jenkins and Mr. Baker scare me to death.

In Mr. Hoover, we have had a man who has brought honor to his position and has been able to do so under more than a half a dozen presidents.

Please reconsider the facts.

Very truly yours,



Robert Paul  
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Sunday  
November 29, 1964

Dear President Johnson:

Do want to welcome  
you back to the White House  
and wish you eight  
years of continuous  
healthy, happy leadership.

Delighted to hear  
that you are replacing J.  
Edgar Hoover.

I hope, as do many  
of my friends and acquaintances,  
that you

can find a way to get  
us out of Viet Nam as  
soon as possible.

I know that you will  
continue to work for  
peaceful solutions to all  
crises.

Do hope that I may  
have the pleasure of meet-  
ing you and Lady Bird  
Johnson and have you  
appear in my next book  
(my eleventh)

Creetings Cordial  
and Sincere

Juliet Lowell

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Dear Mr. President:

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We are most concerned about the recent statements ascribed to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover concerning the civil rights movement and attacking the Rev. Martin Luther King.

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As reported, Mr. Hoover's views seem clearly at variance with the position of your Administration. They also indicate a reluctance on his part in seeing that the duties and function of the FBI in protecting all citizens in all parts of the country are carried out.

We have shared with many others for some time a sense of uneasiness at the failure of the FBI to apprehend persons who have committed murders, kidnappings, bombings and acts of intimidation against civil rights workers in the South. We fear that these failures of the FBI will not be overcome unless there is a sincere and unqualified commitment by the personnel of the FBI to the protection of the civil rights of all Americans.

Unless Mr. Hoover repudiates the views publicly attributed to him, he has disqualified himself, to our minds, from continuing as Director of the FBI.

Very truly yours,

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President Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

The unfavorable publicity which is being directed to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover by the civil rights leaders is most alarming to me.

Mr. Hoover's judicious handling of his authority over the years has kept the F.B.I. from becoming a Gestapo, and has earned him the admiration and gratitude of the American people.

I wish to express my support of Mr. Hoover, and respectfully urge your consideration of his over all worth to the country in evaluating the present situation.

Very truly yours,

*Sam Carlisle*

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CC: Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

President John F. Kennedy  
The White House  
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Hon. Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Disturbing rumors have been circulating in Washington to the effect that J. Edgar Hoover is to be replaced as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If there is any basis for these reports, it is difficult to conceive of any greater tragedy befalling the country.

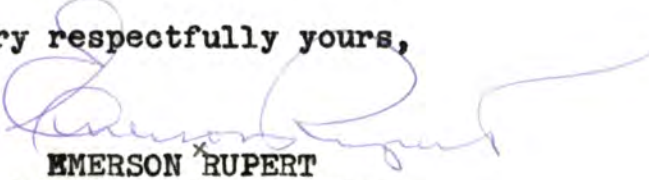
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You doubtless are aware of the calculated attempts which have been made by Mr. Hoover's enemies over a long period of time to degrade him and the FBI. It is to be hoped that you will reject the evil designs of the sinister forces which seek relentlessly to subvert our freedoms and cherished institutions.

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Very respectfully yours,



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Dear Bill -

No comment on

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Cordially,  
Frank



# Sword of Loyola Award Presented To FBI Chief

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FBI chief J. Edgar Hoover (left) is introduced to Mrs. Frank J. Lewis at the Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine dinner by Loyola's president, the Very Rev. James F. Maguire. Hoover received the newly created Sword of Loyola Award. Mrs. Lewis was an honorary chairman of the Conrad Hilton Hotel dinner.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover warned here Tuesday night against "pressure groups which would crush the rights of others under heel in order to achieve their own ends."

Hoover delivered his remarks at the annual awards dinner of Loyola University's Stritch School of Medicine in the Conrad Hilton Hotel. His speech did not name the groups he condemned.

"It is a great misfortune," Hoover told the 1,114 diners, "that the zealots or pressure groups always think with their emotions, seldom with reason."

"They have no compunction in carping, lying and exaggerating with the fiercest passion, spearheaded at times by Communists and moral degenerates. They cry liberty when they really mean license."

In a wide-ranging speech, the FBI chieftain also called for positive action against

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**For the social side of the award dinner — in story and pictures — turn to Page 20.**

what he termed growing moral deterioration in the nation and castigated "bleeding-heart" judges who, he said, mollycoddled youthful criminals.

At the black-tie dinner, Hoover became the first recipient of the Sword of Loyola Award. The award was created by the university to honor

a national or international figure who exhibits to a high degree the qualities of courage, dedication and service."

The annual Stritch Award went to Dr. Francis J. Gerty, former director of the Illinois Department of Mental Health and initiator of the current state program for mental illness.

The dinner, a \$250-a-plate affair, raised \$270,250 for the Stritch School this year.

Hoover told the audience, "We must never forget that

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Dr. Francis J. Gerty receives the 1964 Stritch Medal award from Father Maguire. (Sun-Times Photos)



# Sword Of Loyola Award Given To Hoover

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government cannot favor one group or one special interest over its duty to protect the rights of all citizens.

"We must constantly guard government against the pressure groups which would crush the rights of others under heel in order to achieve their own ends."

Asked during dinner if his prepared text referred to civil rights groups, Hoover replied, "Yes, it certainly does."

Then, asked if he had reference to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Hoover said, "I mention no names." Last Wednesday, the FBI chief called civil rights leader King, winner of the 1964 Noble Peace Prize, "the most notorious liar in the country."

Hoover pledged that as long as the agency exists, it will stay within the

bounds of its authorized jurisdiction regardless of pressure groups which seek to use the FBI to attain their own selfish aims to the detriment of our people as a whole."

Hoover cited rising U.S. crime figures and urged a reversal of what he called apparent public indifference to the situation.

Zeroing in on the judiciary, he said:

"We mollicoddle young criminals and release unreformed hoodlums to prey anew on society. The bleeding hearts, particularly among the judiciary, are so concerned for young criminals that they become indifferent to the rights of law-abiding citizens."

"We must have judges with courage and a high sense of their duty to protect the public and to adequately penalize criminals if -

courting disaster if positive action is not taken soon against "the growing moral deterioration in this land."

A symptom of the declining moral standards of the nation can be found in the attitudes of some persons toward patriotism, he said.

"Today, patriotism seems to be out of style," Hoover asserted. "Those who express their love of country are often looked upon as paranoid patriots or right-wing extremists."

Hoover prefaced his attack on pressure groups with the observation that law and order are the foundation upon which successful government must stand.

At the dinner, Mrs. Frank J. Lewis fulfilled a promise of three years ago by presenting a check for \$1,000,000 to the Very Rev. James F. Maguire, S.J., president of Loyola. The funds had been pledged for the school of medicine.

In accepting the check, Father Maguire announced that the new building housing the school of medicine on the university's 62-acre campus at suburban Hines will be named in honor of Mrs. Lewis.

This was the latest in a series of substantial gifts to the university by Mrs. Lewis and her late husband, a widely known philanthropist.



"We shall overcome!"

MAULDIN  
CHICAGO SUN-TIMES



# FBI DIRECTOR HOOVER HITS SELFISH FEW *Ch. Tribune 2 5 hrs.* Warns of Zealots, Moral Decay

## MILLION FOR LOYOLA

Mrs. Frank J. Lewis gives one million dollars to Loyola university for its Stritch school of medicine. Story in Section 2, page 1.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, warned that a breakdown in national morality, evidenced by the fact that crime has increased five times faster than the population, "can



[TRIBUNE Staff Photo]

Hoover holding Sword of Loyola after presentation.

only render us impotent as a people and as a nation."

He spoke last night at the annual award dinner of Loyola university's Stritch school of medicine in the Conrad Hilton hotel at which the Sword of Loyola was presented to him.

Warning that without law and order, society will destroy itself, Hoover said, "We must never forget that government cannot favor one group or one special interest over its duty to protect the rights of all citizens. We must constantly guard government against the pressure groups which would crush the rights of others under heel in order to achieve their own ends.

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# BI Chief Hoover Rips Selfish Few

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## "... Courting Disaster"

"I trust you will give consideration to my remarks and not dismiss them as typical of the traditional age-old lament about the moral climate of one's native land. We are courting disaster if we do not soon take some positive action against the growing moral deterioration in this land.

"It is a grievous trend which is being steadily reflected in the attitude of contempt which many of our people have for the values which made this nation great.

"Today, patriotism seems to be out of style. It's a dirty word. Those who express their love of country are often looked upon as paranoiac patriots or right wing extremists by those who do not agree with old fashioned patriotism.

## Refers to Communism

"This attitude can be seen in the widespread public indifference concerning the threat of world communism. The philosophy of communism flourishes best in an environment where personal responsibility and self-discipline have been undermined by immorality, materialism and expediency.

"Its duplicity is difficult for young Americans to comprehend. If our young citizens turn an objective, analytical searchlight on this ideology and its organizational arms, they will understand communism for what it is—a materialistic, godless dogma dedicated to world domination.

"When man places himself above the law and bases his decisions on his own selfish interests, he aids the communists' relentless efforts to destroy the ideals of our civilization. He contributes heavily to reducing life to the code of the jungle, by making it easier for communism to spread its dead-

ly doctrines, terror, and the brutalization of man.

"What Ignatius Loyola taught, communism seeks to destroy."

## Must Shun Complacency

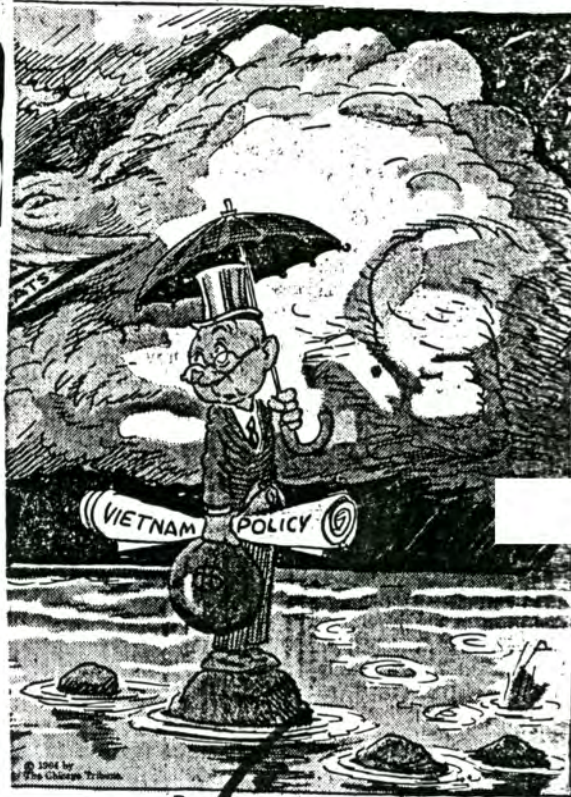
If the nation is to reverse its crime picture, a sustained effort must be made "to stir the complacent ones to awareness," Hoover said.

"We mollycoddle young criminals and release unreformed hoodlums to prey anew on society. The bleeding hearts, particularly among the judiciary, are so concerned for young criminals that they become indifferent to the rights of law-abiding citizens.

"We must have judges with courage and a high sense of their duty to protect the public and to adequately penalize criminals if we are to stop the spread of serious and dangerous crimes against society. We must adopt a most realistic approach toward this critical problem. We have tried the lenient approach and it has failed."

As Americans, Hoover said, we should learn to trust God, to know His teachings, and to live in His ways.

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ONISH—SHAKESPEARE



# 22 Million Allotted erty Attack



[AP Wirephoto]

Shriver displaying volume of community action program Detroit during news conference in Austin, Tex.

ing money for the proposed attack on poverty. A total of six federal departments and agencies are involved in the program.

## Colleges to Cooperate

Shriver announced that 20 colleges and universities in the



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November 25, 1964

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your note of November 24  
attaching Mr. George Kunkle's letter  
to the President.

Your courtesy is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Honorable George McGovern  
United States Senate  
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November 24, 1964

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Dear Larry:

I have been asked by Mr. George Kunkle, Box 216,  
Yankton, South Dakota, to forward the enclosed  
letter to the President.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
George McGovern

Honorable Lawrence F. O'Brien  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.



J EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR FBI WASHINGTON::: YOUR PEEVISH & INSULTING REMARKS AS REPORTED IN THE DAILY PAPER LAST NIGHT PROMPT ME (YOUR TAXPAYING BOSS) TO REMIND YOU

WE JUST DON'T DO THINGS LIKE THAT IN AMERICA  
YOU OWE MESSRS WARREN & KING AN APOLOGY. INDEED YOU OWE EVERY  
ONE OF US HUMBLE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY (WHO HELP PAY YOUR SALARY)  
A FULL RETRACTION

PRES JOHNSON (COPY HEREOF TO HIM) HAD FAR MORE REASON TO BITCH  
THAN YOU EVER WILL HAVE. YET HE RESTRAINED HIMSELF

EVEN SIR WINSTON UNDER EXTREME PROVOCATION SUGGESTED HIS DETRACTOR  
WAS A "PURVEYOR OF TERMINOLOGICAL INEXACTITUDES"

IT HAS BEEN YOUR PATTERN TO BLAME THE COMMIES FOR EVERYTHING.  
AND I SUPPOSE YOU WERE FURIOUS WHEN WARREN DECLINED TO APPLY  
THAT RUBBERSTAMP TO OSWALD

ABOUT THE COMMIES, I AM RELIABLY INFORMED CRIME IS ON THE DECLINE  
(AND HAS BEEN) IN THE SOVIET UNION. . . IT MIGHT BE WELL TO GET  
HONESTLY CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT THE FACTS ARE THAT CAUSE THE (M IN USSR)  
TO BE AHEAD OF US. IN THE ENLIGHTENED APPROACH TO PREVENTION OF  
CRIME.

AND DO LIKEWISE. (AS WE ARE TOLD IN THE BIBLE).

FOR OUR LEADERS LIKE YOU TO SOUND OFF LIKE NIXON AFTER HIS DEEEAT  
BY PAT BROWN DOESN'T ENHANCE OUR IMAGE ANYWHERE.

I'M A LIFELONG SOUTH DAKOTAN, PROUD OF MY HERITAGE AND I AINT  
MAD AT ANYBODY. I NEVER FELT BETTER. IT HAS BEEN POSSIBLE TO  
TRAVEL ALL OVER THE WORLD. SO I AM SURE OUR SYSTEM IS THE BEST.

YOU MAY FEEL YOU ARE ABOVE CRITICISM. IF YOU DO, REREAD THE U-S  
CONSTITUTION. IF YOU ARE STILL IN DOUBT, READ THE DECLARATION  
OF INDEPENDENCE... YOU ARE ONE OF OUR TOP-DRAWER LEADERS. BUT  
THE ONLY TEST OF LEADERSHIP IS SERVICE (TO US HUMBLE MEMBERS OF  
SOCIETY). LANGUAGE LIKE YOU USED TO SMEAR OTHER LEADERS IS NOT  
BECOMING TO ANY SERVANT. MOST OF ALL ONE (LIKE YOU) HIGHLY PLACED.  
SOUNDS LIKE SCAPEGOATISM, BUCKPASSING ETC...

I DON'T LIKE IT AT ALL (AS YOU PERHAPS GATHER). AND I DON'T  
APOLOGIZE A BIT FOR TELLING YOU SO (TRIMMING YOU DOWN)... A COPY  
GOES TO EARL WARREN TOO. WHO BY THE WAY HAS TAKEN MORE ABUSE  
THAN YOU EVER WILL. YET HE HAS KEPT HIS HEAD AND TONGUE. BEEN  
A GENTLEMAN ALL THEWAY.... GEORGE W KUNKLE Box 216 Yankton SDak  
57078 this 20 November 1964

*Pres Johnson - as you know, I had a small part in sending Goldwater  
"back to the store in '64". . . If you feel I could help our great society  
in any special way, let me know. For instance, I'll go to Russia with  
Herbert Humphrey anytime. . . I've applied to the Soviet Embassy  
to travel the Soviet Union with my friend, Ivan Gukin of Novokuznetsk  
(over)*



Asteria (Kemerovo Region) up to six months. I've wanted to be my guide  
& interpreter... He has taught school in Kamchatka.

Have much to learn from the (m) Russians. Constructively, that is.  
after 5 visits there (USSR)! I'm really curious (& puzzled) to learn  
more. To better understand them. Person to person contacts are  
a must to gain their (Russians) confidence. I see much in  
common with them. They can help us a lot, I honestly believe.

So I hope to better serve my country by honest friendship to  
my fellow man. As a member of the human family I  
shall strive for those things that promote goodwill, harmony.

It won't do for J. Edgar Hoover to act like a sacred-cow. He ain't.  
The measure of greatness of any leader is his performance  
as servant of the people. Those who elevated him to high  
position. Hoovers' boots may come to plague him  
like Benj. Saltwaters did.

The only enemies I fear are ignorance, poverty. Bigotry.  
They encourage disease, misery, hate, violence (war &  
crime).

Human slaughter by sophisticated weaponry appears to be  
the final goal of the military establishment... So let us support  
the U.N. the disarmament agency, the Peace movements,  
the whole Peace by Rule of Law. By deed, word, example.

Deane W. Ruckelshaus  
2, Nov 1964

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Mr. William Moyers  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Moyers:

Enclosed is an editorial from  
the November 23d New York Post, in  
case you haven't seen it.

Sincerely,

Tracy \* Seliff

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## The Daily News, J. Edgar Hoover and JFK

One of the few newspapers to approve J. Edgar Hoover's bitter press conference last week was the Daily News. Its editorial on that performance was applaudingly headed "Hoover Tells 'Em Off."

The next day in an editorial about John F. Kennedy, the "widely admired and beloved 35th President," the News urged the country not to forget that the man who killed the late President was "a Marxist," a defector and "an active Castro Cuba sympathizer."

The News might have added, but it didn't, that these facts about Lee Oswald were all known to the FBI, which had him under surveillance but failed to notify the Secret Service of his presence in Dallas.

It might also have pointed out, but it didn't, that after the Bay of Pigs disaster, John F. Kennedy could have gone cry-babying to the press. Instead, he accepted full responsibility and, while he did set in motion a review of the fiasco, it was only to insure against a repetition, not to find scapegoats.

Almost a week has passed since Hoover's outrageous blast at the Warren Commission, Dr. Martin Luther King and "bleeding heart" judges, and still there has been no retraction or disavowal. Did the recent campaign so inure Washington to invective and vituperation that the head of the nation's investigative service will be allowed to defame one of America's outstanding men, an internationally respected figure, without an apology from him or a rebuke from his superiors?

The Daily News believes that Pres-

ident Johnson "long since decreed that Hoover can keep the job as long as LBJ is in the White House."

Can he? Is that the President's feeling today? The Hoover press conference hardly helps strengthen the national consensus that the President so skillfully brought about. It is out of tune with the era of good feeling that the President is trying to achieve. It has shaken public confidence.

It is not enough to keep the Secret Service out of Hoover's domain; it is time for fresh and loyal leadership at the FBI.

## Vatican II's Decisions

The third session of the Ecumenical Council gave strong impetus to the great movement for "reform and renewal" in the Catholic Church that the late Pope John initiated.

It is especially pleasing to record that on two issues of particular concern to non-Catholics in the U.S., religious liberty and relations with Jews, the American bishops took the lead, dominated the discussions and with a few exceptions were identified with the "progressives."

There were disappointments. Action on the religious liberty draft was deferred despite the vigorous protest led by

Cardinals Meyer and Ritter. But the decree deploring and condemning anti-Semitism was given a resounding vote of preliminary approval.

The text eloquently affirms the friendship of all creeds. With its promulgation, as 14 major Jewish organizations in the United States said, "the Catholic Church will have made a historic contribution to the advancement of harmonious relations among the peoples of the great faiths."

Its adoption is an auspicious development. We are particularly happy that a forceful intervention by Cardinal Spellman helped secure its passage.

## Facing Forward at Brooklyn Navy Yard

There is something wrong with our thinking when a decision to close a military facility is viewed as a disaster rather than an opportunity to divert its manpower and resources to peaceful uses.

In 1945 the nation faced a much greater conversion challenge. No one suggested the war should go on because a peacetime economy might be incapable of absorbing the war machine's men and resources.

We are in favor of taking another look at the Brooklyn Navy Yard decision to see whether closing the base is economical and in the national interest. But we assume that is precisely what the Defense Dept. did before it announced the shut-down.

We doubt that local public officials do the men in the yard a service by giving the impression it can be kept open through political pressure. It would be more useful to the Navy Yard families if Gov. Rockefeller and Mayor Wagner were to cooperate in a study of alternatives.

There is talk, for example, of a massive housing development fronting on the harbor. We don't know whether that is practical. If it is, we would urge that its claim to federal, state and local funds and tax incentives be given priority. Houses

going up where once battleships were built would not be a bad ending to the yard's long and honorable story.

A complementary proposal is to use the machine shops for a large-scale vocational training program with a fair number of the yard's skilled workers serving as teachers. The Board of Education could relocate one of its new vocational schools in the yard.

The Defense Dept. is sending a team to inventory the skills of the working force and arrange for comparable jobs elsewhere. It will pay the costs of relocation and retraining if necessary. The anti-poverty program is launching a tremendous training program in New York. It is weak on the side of technically competent instructors. Recruits might be found in the yard who, with a little in-service training, could do a superior teaching job. We hope there is liaison between Defense and the Office of Economic Opportunity.

We are sure that the city, starting with the Civilian Conservation Corps, can come up with a plan for creating jobs for the unemployed.



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President Lyndon B. Johnson  
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Dear President Johnson:

When I read the statement that J. Edgar Hoover made about Dr. Martin Luther King, I was shocked.

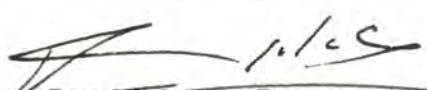
It is understandable that two men in public life may disagree in feeling, or in fact. But, for a recently announced Nobel Prize winner to be called "notorious liar" is too big an issue to pass over.

Evidently, Mr. Hoover is getting senile. The difficult and taxing duties of his office are too much for him. Please do not wave the age limit. Retire Mr. Hoover, now. He has reached the age limit.

I am the minister who gave the invocation at your San Franciscan banquet last spring. We talked at the head table; and you were kind enough to give my wife one of your souvenir pictures.

I have no malice against Mr. Hoover. But, my concern for the dignity and efficiency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation causes me to take a strong position against his continuance.

Your friend,

  
Roy Nichols, Pastor  
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The President  
The White House  
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My dear Mr. President:

Congratulations  
on your election!

The first time  
I voted for a Democratic president  
was the last term of President Roosevelt  
and I have been on the Democratic  
side ever since. It was a relief when  
the campaign and elections were over.  
The district where I live, the 13th  
in Queens, and one in Rego Park  
were the only ones in Queens where  
you did not run ahead of  
Mr. Goldwater. So you can

imagine the situation for Democrats here. I had many arguments and there was not a single sign for you in this district that I ever saw.

Now I am rather disturbed at the newspaper reports of the argument between Mr. Hoover and the Civil Rights workers, especially the remark made about Dr. King. The papers report you did not say anything. I am a white Protestant and have certainly been ashamed of the way Negroes have been treated in this country. It seems odd that three fine young Americans who are supposed to be able to move freely, can be abducted and murdered and there is no way their murderers can be apprehended. I do not know anything about Mr. Hoover except what I read in the paper. For years I have been hearing all sorts of tales about the kind of people



we have in the State Department,  
Communists, perverts, and I don't  
know what else, and every year  
Mr. Hoover receives large sums of  
money for his department to clear  
up all these things. Why is it then  
that it is never cleared up? Also,  
why did he not notify you about  
the unfortunate Mr. Jenkins? This  
is a serious breach and yet the  
papers report you were silent on  
the subject when the Civil Rights  
workers approached you. I realize  
the problems of your office and  
there must be some reason for  
this but I think it's hard to make  
our people here and other nations  
understand this.

This will never deter me  
from voting for you again as  
I think you are a wonderful  
President as was your predecessor.



our beloved President Kennedy  
but I am a little confused.

Sincerely yours  
(Miss) Rose A. Connor

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WHEREAS, in contrast to many of today's people in public life, Federal Bureau of Investigation Director, J. Edgar Hoover, is known to be:

A Man of the highest integrity, the finest ability in his field, and of unquestioned judgment;

A Man with an understanding of the background of national law enforcement problems and causes of crime that is without parallel;

A Man completely independent in the sense that he acknowledges allegiance only to his country and his job, and not to the politicians and administrations who hold office and power for the period;

A Man who is sparing in public comments, but unafraid to make a statement when he has indisputable facts to prove its truth, worth, and value;

A Man who never speaks for personal interest, always having the welfare of his bureau and the betterment of the law enforcement situation of the country as reasons for public utterance; and

WHEREAS, certain persons, whose qualifications for public prominence are the problems that they have helped to create for policing units all over the United States, rather than their knowledge of the law or assistance in upholding it, have publicly challenged and criticized recent statements of Director Hoover;

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Expressing our full and complete confidence in his integrity, judgment, ability, loyalty and unselfish devotion to his country, as well as in his physical and mental competence to continue a great public service;

Pledging him our service, and urging citizens everywhere to come forward with expressions of confidence and offers of co-operation in the maintenance of law and order; and,

Repudiating with all our strength the efforts of those who would undermine the very basis of our country's life and well being by planned activities to obstruct justice and law enforcement, and public criticisms of and political maneuverings against a law enforcement agency that acts without bias and does not show the partiality that is becoming a political trademark and a national trend.

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President Lyndon B Johnson,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Johnson,

We of the Woman's City Club of Los Angeles are most distressed at the continued and increasingly vicious attacks on our local and national security officers. The chief target of their venom, since that March on Washington last year, has been our Chief of Police Wm.H. Parker, and F.B.I. Chief, J. Edgar Hoover. These jeering ingrates, who harass and attack the police and the public at every opportunity, are the various Negro organizations, CORE, and the different Communist publications and Fronters.

We know the Communists are spear-heading both local and national drives against law and order, as evidenced by numerous, trustworthy accounts and documented news reports we have.

We are sure you realize, as well as we do, that the Negroes are being stirred to mutiny and incited to race-violence by the Communists who have organized them into regional voting blocs. Thus they plan to dictate to you and all of our elected and appointed officials, policies that will hasten the destruction of our nation!

Brazenly they continue to attack and try to discredit our House Committee on Un-American Activities, (HCUA). The most blatant foe of our HCUA is the American Civil Liberties Union which, as you know, is a subversive organization.

THEREFORE, We of the Woman's City Club of Los Angeles want to re-affirm our faith in and continued support of Chief Wm.H. Parker and F.B.I. Chief J. Edgar Hoover! We greatly appreciate their many years of dedicated service to our safety.

We hope you will remember you promised that as long as you are President that you will keep J. Edgar Hoover head of our F.B.I., and that law and order will be upheld through out the nation!

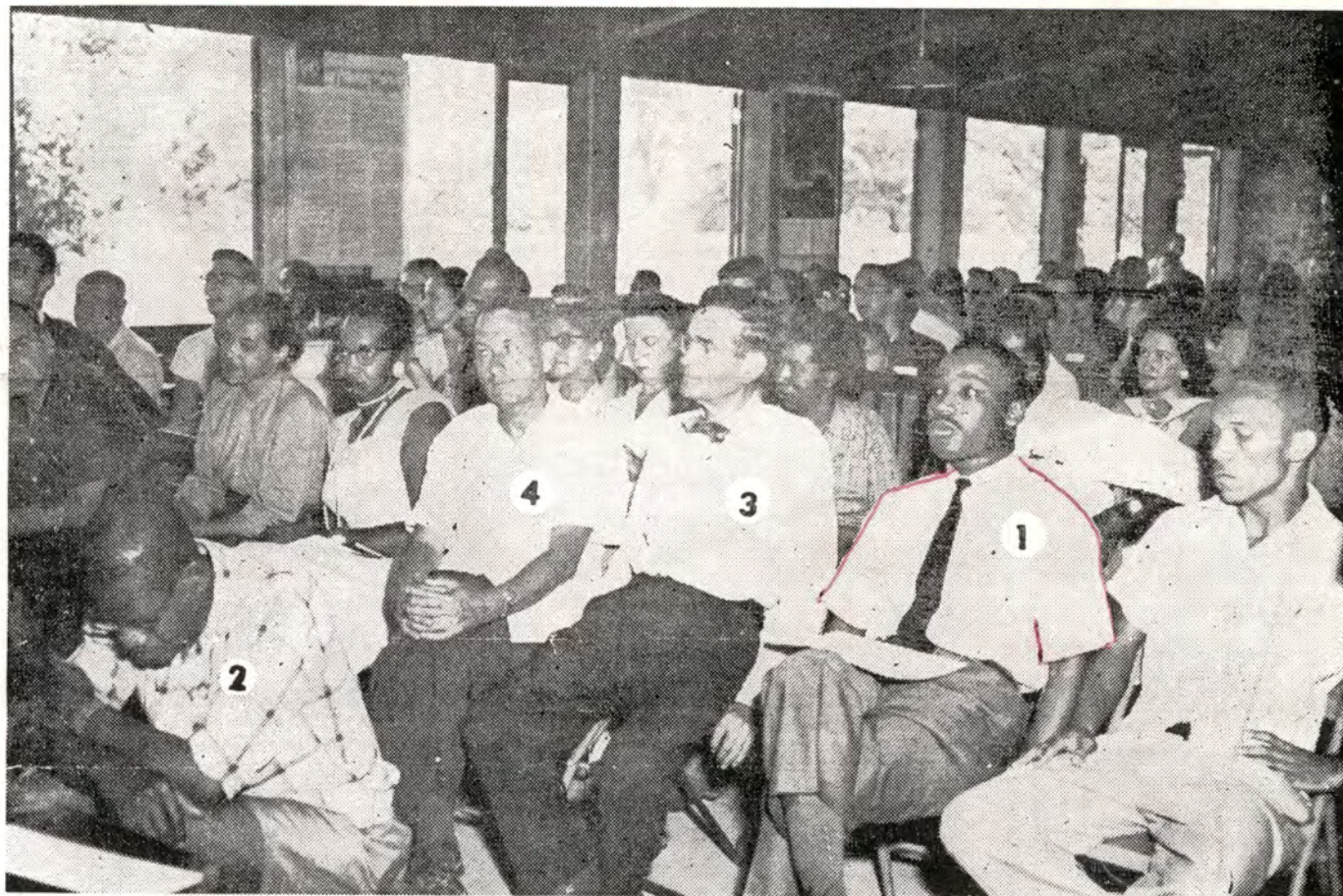
Very truly yours,

cc: To all Calif. Congressmen,  
Senators and the Press.

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Mrs. Marguerite McFarlane, Pres.  
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# MARTIN LUTHER KING....AT COMMUNIST TRAINING SCHOOL



The above picture was made by an employee of the State of Georgia, at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee during the Labor Day week-end of 1957. The photographer was sent to the Highlander Folk School by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander Folk School was abolished by an act of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee at a later date because it was charged with being a subversive organization.

Those numbered in the picture are:

1. Martin Luther King, Jr., of the Montgomery boycott and the Birmingham riots. Karl Prussion, a counterspy for the FBI for twenty-two years, charges that Martin Luther King belongs to sixty Communist-front organizations — more than any Communist in the United States. He is promoted and encouraged by the Kennedys.
2. Abner W. Berry of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
3. Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern Conference Education Fund, Inc., The Transmission Belt in the South for the Communist Party.
4. Myles Horton, Director of Highlander Folk School for Communist Training, Monteagle, Tennessee.

These "Four Horsemen" of racial agitation have brought tension, disturbance, strife and violence in their advancement of the Communist doctrine of "racial nationalism."

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President L.B. Johnson, Washington, D.C.,

Dear Mr .President:- I am expressing in only samll measure the anger and indignation felt by members of this organization over the unfounded, unjust and libelious charge that Edgar Hoover made in characterizing Reverend Rev King ,Jr., as a "notorious liar"..

Our hope is that Mr Hoover be relieved of the duties of his office before he does more damage to his own reputation, and to the image of our country everywhere,

Respectfully Yours,

Legislative Chairman, Charence M. Marshall

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President L. Johnson  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

We note with interest Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's remarks regarding Mr. M. Luther King. Apart from the sensational headlines, Mr. Hoover's words pinpoint a growing problem which the nation must soon face. Mr. King casts doubt on the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which is entirely unsubstantiated. This Bureau and the leadership of Mr. Hoover has served us exceedingly well for 40 years, at least, and we deeply resent an attempt to besmirch this record.

On the other hand, we must study Mr. King's methods and motives. The Civil Rights Law is passed, and it is a milestone in the Civil Rights movement. We think now is the time to rest and examine our accomplishments. We are tired of "spontaneous" mob action which arises at Mr. King's signal, and subsides at Mr. King's direction. We are tired of the style of this "spontaneous" action, that is, women and children first. We do not believe that the end justifies the means: or sending the weakest into the front lines of battle, with the "toughs" behind them. We intend to strive to integrate our neighborhood, because we feel this is the right thing to do. Further demonstrations of the civil rights leaders forces us to wonder at their motives.

We feel Mr. Hoover should be commended for calling our attention to this ever increasing problem.

The November 23 issue of U.S. News and World Report indicates the new policy of your administration towards foreign economic aid. We read that underdeveloped nations that take U.S. aid and then vote against the U.S. in the U.N. and elsewhere will lose some or all of the aid. Also, that foreign aid will be tailored closer to the end results - and cut further. Aid is to be cut to nations that divert aid to armament. We welcome wholeheartedly this change in our foreign aid policy. We are exceedingly tired of begging Sukarno of Indonesia and Nasser of Egypt to accept our aid. We never wanted to extend Communist-aligned nations aid in the first place. We welcome a policy which will align the underdeveloped nations more closely with the Western ideals of freedom.

We view with alarm reports of anti-aircraft weaponry and Russian "technicians" in Cuba. We do not feel that further economic isolation of Castro and his regime is enough. We do not enjoy a tolerance of Castro's subversion to Communism of the South American countries. We consider Castro and Communism to be a "wart" in our sides, and it must be removed for our own security.



President Johnson

November 23, 1964

Regarding Cuba, our late President, Mr. John F. Kennedy, said these words:

"The greatest danger of all would be to do nothing".

Our late President's work of ridding the Western Hemisphere of this Communist aggression and subversion must be continued.

The November 17, 1964 issue of National Review informs us that the "Voice of America" and BBC broadcasts are no longer being jammed by the Soviet Union. This cutback in jamming, so the report continues, results from a change in broadcasting policy by the Western world. We no longer extend the hand of freedom to the peoples of those (Communist) captive nations. We no longer hold out the hope to these unfortunate people that one day they can throw off the chains of Communist tyranny. This policy is in direct contrast to the late President words:

"undo the heavy burden and let the oppressed go free".

This policy of meaningless broadcasting indicates another surrender to Communist tyranny on our part. If we cannot hold out the hope of freedom to the captive peoples, we should be deeply ashamed.

Expansion of East-West trade is in the wind. We are not in favor of expansion or even continuing trade with our enemies. There are a considerable number of reasons, some of which are these:

- (1) The Communist countries do not offer much or anything in the way of trade that the United States needs from them.
- (2) Our trade takes the form of exporting our products to the Communist countries, which have enormous difficulty finding ways to pay for our products.
- (3) We consider extending credit to the Communist countries to be detrimental to our national interests.
- (4) The United States entry into the field of East-West trade forces our allies to take a more competitive position, lowering costs (which they cannot afford to do) or extending long-term credit. We have frequently seen the strategy of political concessions on the part of the free world needed to insure their long-term investments.
- (5) The "wheat deal" was not, as advertised, a prestige factor on the part of the United States. We lost handily on that trade agreement.
  - (a) The wheat was not used for humanitarian purposes, but for chemical and munitions industries, by converting the wheat to alcohol.
  - (b) A fair price was not sought or received. The price per bushel was less than our subsidy price to the farmers; therefore the American taxpayer paid a large part of that "wheat deal".
  - (c) If the wheat was paid for promptly, it was because the U.S. placed gold bullion in the World Bank, where the Soviets could then borrow the necessary amount.
  - (d) The transaction did not even use the U.S. ships.



*WJH*  
President Johnson

November 23, 1964

We do not want this kind of trade agreement with the Soviets or any other Communist country. Let us reiterate: we do not want to aid our enemies.

Let us look for avenues of agreement and free trade with our allies. Let us strengthen these ties, rather than ties with our sworn enemy.

Of additional concern to us is the situation in Viet Nam. We certainly are tired of losing the war in that unfortunate country. We are there to help these unfortunate peoples rid themselves of the tentacles of Communism. Let us begin to help them. Let us do what is necessary to win the war in Viet Nam. We must shore up the Viet Nameese morale by a more concrete indication of our anti-Communist sympathies. We must supply our soldiers, and theirs, with the best weaponry for guerrilla warfare (and the best know-how). We must rid the Viet Nameese government of Communist influence. We must recognize the street demonstrations as more Communist riots. There is ample evidence of this; the techniques are always the same. The results are always the same: coalition government, from which the Communists in the government can then work to subvert the whole nation.

Let us take heed from our past mistakes and win the war in Viet Nam for the anti-Communists, align the peoples of Viet Nam with the free world, and set up an anti-Communist government when we have succeeded in the war, not a coalition government, such as in Laos.

We wish you much success in your program to strengthen the free world.

Sincerely yours,

*Helen Salay*

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The President  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

This Commission, which is the social action arm for the major Protestant denominations of Connecticut, acknowledges with gratitude your devotion to the cause of justice for all Americans. We know that you respond to cries for help from those who are the victims of deprivation and discrimination. We also know that you are concerned that the young people of our country may continue to have strong ties of loyalty to church or synagogue and to their government.

Many young people who have worked for social justice in the South, where they risk more than those who work in the North, have come to feel that they have been abandoned by both the church and the federal government, and even if this is not true, they may become vulnerable to a different morality than that which we espouse.

The church is beginning to recognize its neglect. The federal government must do the same if we are not to lose contact with the same young people who have the future leadership potential our country needs. Nothing has caused more doubt in the minds of civil rights workers than the controversy over the use of the FBI. Mr. Hoover's remarks in Jackson, Mississippi, were interpreted by them as an abandonment of the youth by the federal government. It is undeniably true that in the accounts of his visit the segregation supporters found comfort and encouragement.

We can be grateful for Mr. Hoover's good service, for his honesty, for his insistence that this country does not have a federal police force, but we must criticize him severely for an administrative policy and for public statements that make it possible

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The Commission on the Status of Women was established in 1951 to study the status of women in the United States and to make recommendations for their improvement. The Commission has held numerous public hearings and has received many suggestions from women's groups and individuals. It has also conducted extensive research into the various problems facing women in the United States.

Many of the problems facing women are of a social nature. For example, the traditional role of women as mothers and housewives has been challenged by the increasing participation of women in the labor force. This has led to a re-evaluation of the roles of men and women in society.

The Commission is beginning to recognize the need for a comprehensive study of the status of women in the United States. It is also beginning to recognize the need for a comprehensive study of the status of women in the United States. It is also beginning to recognize the need for a comprehensive study of the status of women in the United States.

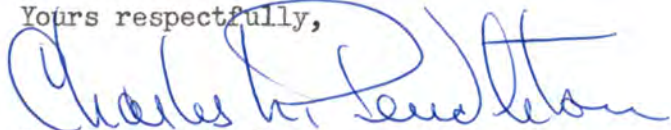
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for those who work for justice at great personal sacrifice to believe that their own government refuses them protection, while at the same time the men and institutions who are responsible for the injustice are encouraged by his words.

If Mr. Hoover is permitted to remain in office the already sensitive young people of this nation will say, "This is another evidence that our country doesn't care for us."

Yours respectfully,



Charles L. Pendleton

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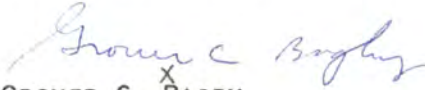
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THE ROLE OF THE FBI, SO IMPORTANT TO OUR NATION, MUST NOT BE  
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President Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
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Dear Mr. President:

I was deeply shocked at Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's intemperate attack on Dr. Martin Luther King, one of our most distinguished living Americans.

It is the profound hope of many of us that Mr. Hoover's utterance -- in calling Dr. King a liar -- in no way represents the thinking of your Administration. We trust you will address yourself personally to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

*+ C.K. Myers*

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President, Walter E. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I was deeply shocked at R. J. Edgar Hoover's interview  
with you on Mr. Martin Luther King, one of our most distinguished  
living Americans.

It is the profound hope of many of us that Mr. Hoover's  
interview -- in calling for a law -- in no way represents  
the thinking of your administration. We trust you will address  
yourself personally to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Walter E. Johnson  
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The White House  
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Mr. William Moyers  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Moyers:

Mrs. <sup>Dorothy</sup> Schiff wanted to call the  
attached editorials to your attention, in  
case you missed them.

Sincerely,

Jean Gillette

Jean Gillette  
Administrative Assistant



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## The Explosion of J. Edgar Hoover

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover's newest attack on the Warren Commission's report, accompanied by his provocative, vituperative denunciation of the Rev. Martin Luther King, raises grave national issues.

At a time when the Supreme Court is under bitter fire from right-wing extremists, his pronouncement was crudely calculated to incite the anti-Warren battalions.

The impact of Hoover's reckless blast will be keenly felt by millions of Americans who care about human rights; its echoes will be heard with dismay around the world.

He has confirmed the deep distrust in which he has long been held by the civil rights movement. It must be apparent to him, as it will be to much of the country, that he has destroyed his usefulness on that crucial national front.

Mr. Hoover is technically subordinate to the Acting Attorney General. But he

has once again claimed special privilege in declaring war against the findings of a Presidential commission, headed by the Chief Justice, which dared to question some aspects of the FBI's role in the Dallas disaster.

Plainly the proper procedure would have been for him to carry his grievances to his departmental chief and, if he did not find what he regarded as adequate redress, appeal to the President. If he finally failed to win his case, he could have resigned with dignity.

Instead he has unleashed an assault on Justice Warren's commission and simultaneously condemned the recognized leader of the civil rights movement in intemperate, inflammatory language.

Hoover's conduct presents a clear challenge to President Johnson—perhaps as clear as that embodied in the insubordination of the late General Douglas MacArthur. Surely Mr. Johnson will recognize the dimensions of the challenge.

## Fiscal Maneuvers in Albany

Gov. Rockefeller spent much of the last two (pre-election) years denying the existence of a state fiscal gap or, to put it in homelier language, an "unbalanced budget."

Now the gap widens with startling speed. Last week the Governor's aides estimated that \$275 to \$300 million would be needed in new revenue. Yesterday \$100 million more was added, again by unnamed gubernatorial aides.

A similar game of now you see it, now you don't, is being played by the Governor on the subject of the taxes he may have to impose to close the gap. First there was talk of a hike in motor vehicle and liquor taxes, which, onerous as it might be, would at least be progressive in impact. Now the trial balloons are being floated for a statewide sales tax.

The electorate is being subjected to a kind of psychological warfare designed to soften a few fundamental facts. Gov. Rockefeller pledged "categorically" in

October, 1962, that there would be "no increase in taxes in the next four years." Last year he used gimmicks which weakened the state's credit to conceal a growing deficit. He is now obliged to confess that he "couldn't present a balanced budget without tax increases."

We share the criticism of this procedure voiced by State Controller Arthur Levitt. "The Governor," he noted, "has announced a tax increase before he has announced a program." He was withholding comment, Levitt added, until the Governor revealed his "full budget."

GOP State Chairman Young complains that the Democrats are more intent on embarrassing the Governor than working with him in resolving the budgetary problem. The predicament in which Gov. Rockefeller finds himself, we would point out, is largely of his own making.

As for ourselves, we await a detailed exposition of the Governor's proposals—and of any alternatives Levitt may offer.

## Mr. Mills and Medicare

The problem of medicare has boiled down to the problem of Rep. Wilbur Mills, the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee.

He has long managed to beguile officials in Washington into believing that, in the final showdown, he would not offer last-ditch resistance to the bill for health care for the aged. While he was not prepared to be the instrument of its enactment, he would not stand in its way.

Yet it is difficult to appraise his tactics at the last session of Congress except in terms of an underlying but shrewd hostility to medicare under Social Security. Clearly he thought President Johnson would not dare in an election year to reject his bill for a rise in Social Security benefits, which, if enacted without medicare, would have ended all practical chances of getting help for the aged

through a mandatory, tax-financed system.

Mr. Mills had his bluff called. The election gave the President the mandate he sought. The House, with a strengthened liberal majority, is in a position to permanently divest Rep. Mills of his power to thwart the will of the nation.

Rep. Mills now says he is prepared to call up a medicare bill for a vote on the floor whenever the President wishes it.

The President has told the House leadership he wants such a bill—and he wants it now. The issue no longer is whether we will have a medicare bill, but what kind of bill. Concessions to Mr. Mills that might have seemed necessary last month (such as setting up a prepayment system separate from Social Security) are no longer necessary. Even the Senate-approved bill, while sound in principle, should be looked at again in terms of adequacy.



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## Unfinished Story

Leaders of the Freedom movement who conferred with President Johnson yesterday in the aftermath of J. Edgar Hoover's denunciation of Martin Luther King reported that the President listened attentively to their defense of King but offered no comment.

We trust that is not the end of the story.

In affronting Dr. King, the FBI director gravely compromised his agency's role in the protection of civil rights. In effect he confirmed Dr. King's charge that Negroes and their allies in the civil rights struggle cannot look to the FBI for steadfast support. His simultaneous attack on the Warren Commission report raised equally disturbing questions about the degree to which he has created an autonomous empire within the framework of free government.

The country has a right to know what Mr. Johnson thinks about these grave occurrences.

## The Krebiozen Case

The federal indictment of Dr. Andrew C. Ivy and the Durovic brothers for alleged fraud in the promotion of Krebiozen should finally clear the air in the long controversy over this alleged anti-cancer compound.

For years the backers of Krebiozen and their critics in the government have never been able to agree on how to subject the controversial drug to a fair clinical test.

Now the processes of justice will oblige the defendants to offer evidence to refute

the government's case, and the question of Krebiozen's worth should be definitely settled.

This will be important not only to the defendants but to the many people who have clung to their belief in the drug's efficacy. Dr. Ivy's lawyer says he wants the case tried as soon as possible because Dr. Ivy is anxious "to face his accusers."

A prompt trial should serve the interests of all concerned.

## Moscow vs. Peking (Contd.)

While the world awaits clear information on the state of Sino-Soviet relations following Khrushchev's ouster and Chou En-lai's visit, it is useful to ponder the sounds emerging from Sinkiang.

Remoter even than Tibet, Chinese Sinkiang in Central Asia has a long common border with the Soviet Union.

Peking apparently feels its Soviet neighbor has designs on Sinkiang.

A meeting of Sinkiang Communists, according to the Chinese government press agency, unanimously affirmed that their

province was a "sacred, inalienable part of China." Who, one asks, has been disputing the relationship?

"We do not want an inch of land from others but will absolutely not permit others to encroach upon one inch of our land," the Sinkiang resolution added.

We leave it to the Sino-Soviet apologists to explain how these two self-styled non-imperialist powers can become so involved in the squalid kind of territorial squabble that divided Romanoff czars and Manchu emperors.

## New Day in Congress?

"For too long," says Rep. Richard Bolling, "conservative members of the Democratic Party have been able to use their seniority to frustrate the plans and programs of the majority party."

The size of the mandate given the Democratic Party "makes possible whatever reforms are needed," he asserts, and "the quality of the mandate makes a

frontal attack practicable."

The moment has arrived to end what Rep. Bolling calls "the present condition of legislative feudalism."

Congressional reform is more important than any single measure. It is the surest guarantee that Congress will be equal to the challenges that America confronts.

## To Norman Thomas

At 80, Norman Thomas remains one of the nation's great moral assets. Where there is an injustice to be righted, an unpopular cause to be defended, a dissenting viewpoint to be spoken for, there you will still find Mr. Thomas, his hair a little whiter, his voice a little frailer, but his great spirit still staunch and fiery.

Many men as they grow older transform into stale orthodoxies the insights of their youth; Mr. Thomas continues to review, reexamine and revise the programs that comprise his politics of conscience.

But his reflections have always been

coupled with an inflexible faith in human brotherhood and an unending zest to improve the life of his fellow man. We have not always agreed with him, but we have never doubted the degree to which his presence has imparted vitality and vision to the American landscape. It is the true measure of the man that his birthday is the occasion for tribute from almost every sector of the political world. He has won the enduring affection of his supporters and the profound respect of his critics. This can be said of few men.



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Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson  
President, United States of America

Dear Mr. President,

May I respectfully observe the  
D.B.I. Director, J. Edgar Hoover, has served  
our nation faithfully and well, and should end  
that service with reaching his retirement age.  
His recent remarks have robbed him of respect  
from so many people of our nation, that his  
agency and our republic, it appears to me, would  
suffer from his continuance in office.

With deep respect for your dedicated  
concern for your fellow Americans, I am

Sincerely yours,  
Frank J. Rodimer  
Chancellor, Diocese of Paterson

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In the Richest Field in the Great Southwest

Waco, Texas

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Dear Jack:

Thanks for your phone call.

The idea we are cooking on with reference to the future of the air base here involved certain changes of station for Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve units now under the jurisdiction of 12th AF HQ, the latter remaining in Waco by McNamara's direction. Will be in touch later.

The enclosed is something the President might get a kick out of scanning.

Best to your girls & yourself.

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Harry Provence

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President Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's recent intemperate charges against Dr. Martin Luther King make it appropriate to raise a question in connection with Mr. Hoover. It must be alarming to many citizens, as it is to me, to have a man in as sensitive a position as the one Mr. Hoover currently occupies make such irresponsible statements.

I note that he is about to reach his seventieth birthday. I believe it is your responsibility to inquire thoroughly into the possibility that his retirement because of advancing age may be in order.

Very truly yours,



Truman B. Douglass

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Very truly yours,

Robert F. Kennedy

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EX. SEC.: REV. SHIRLEY B. GOODWIN

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The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I write to you about two matters of importance: the first is the attack by J. Edgar Hoover upon the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. Since both of these men are important cogs in the wheel of racial advance in the South, it seems a very great shame that there should be friction between them, especially in the public press. I should, therefore, recommend that these two leaders be brought together through your office or an agency of your office to reconcile any differences that may be evident at this time.

The second items of concern is the present typhoon crisis in South Vietnam. I have already written to the United Nations asking them to initiate the possibility of a supervised cease-fire period in order for voluntary agencies to help with the wide-spread homelessness caused by the floods and typhoon damage. If this is acted upon favorably by the United Nations, I trust the United States will cooperate and do all in its power to help



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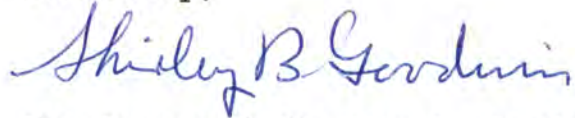
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the people of South Vietnam who are so overwhelmed in every direction at this point.

Sincerely,



The Reverend Shirley B. Goodwin

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The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I sincerely regret the current controversy between The Warren Commission, Dr. Martin Luther King and F.B.I. director J. Edgar Hoover.

I have always had respect and high esteem for Mr. Hoover and his agents and felt they were just about as trustworthy and dependable as individuals and a law enforcement agency could possibly be.

I am chagrined at the current news reports in this controversy and trust this matter may be corrected and/or solved with dignity and honor to all concerned and especially for the welfare of our country. This is most unfortunate.

Do you, Mr. President, and does our Government condone such actions and statements and support such reactions on the part of our law enforcement agencies? Must we citizens lose confidence and respect for those in places of authority and responsibility?

I trust these differences may be promptly reconciled.

Respectfully,

Cawley H. Stine, Director  
Department of Christian Social Action

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## The CHICAGO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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President Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

As a citizen who personally fought hard and openly against Goldwaterism during the recent electoral campaign, at no little cost in support for my school, I feel that I have earned the right to ask that no niche for Goldwaterism be preserved in any crucial area of your Administration. The inclosed article, which has been irresponsibly cited on the air and in the press by such pseudo-religious organizations as Billy James Hargis' "Christian Anti-Communist Crusade" and Major Bundy's "Church League of America" as grounds for the revocation of the tax-exempt status of Chicago Seminary, is offered to make clear the perspective from which I have just sent you the following telegram:

"Edgar Hoover's scurrilous attack on Martin Luther King and all civil rights workers must be publicly censured. World opinion is already troubled by inability of FBI to deter racist aggression in South by bringing racist criminals of Birmingham, Philadelphia, Jackson or Albany area to justice. Your independent supporters on November 3 cannot understand your prolongation of mandate for Hoover who constitutes a kind of built in Goldwaterism at a strategic place in Department of Justice."

Respectfully,

Howard Schomer, President  
Chicago Theological Seminary

In a word, Mrs. President, I believe that Mr. Hoover has now overtly encouraged backward Southern racists to believe that they can with relative impunity continue their savage attacks upon civil rights workers. He has certainly sought to discredit the integrity of Dr. King, in whom world opinion recognizes one of the greatest forces for the peaceful integration and reconciliation of all Americans, white or black. Mr. Hoover has gone out of his way to indicate to FBI agents in Albany and elsewhere in the South that he



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is content with their feet-dragging performance in many acute situations in the dangerous battle for legal equality of all races.

I do not see how a high-ranking functionary of your Administration could on the morrow of your great victory, more obdurately and emphatically challenge the direction of your leadership concerning the most delicate and urgent domestic matter to which you have set your strong hand.

J. Edgar Hoover must be publicly censured. His era is over.  
He must go.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Howard Schomer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Howard Schomer  
President

HS:kgb

cc: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



## Right-Wing Christian Crusade Loses Its Tax-Exempt Status

TULSA, Okla., Nov. 16 (UPI) —Billy James Hargis, the evangelist, said today that the Internal Revenue Service had removed the tax-exempt status of his \$1-million-a-year anti-Communist Christian Crusade for "political activities."

Mr. Hargis said that, if his appeals failed, "we will file lawsuits against every left-wing group with tax-exempt status who violated the Internal Revenue code during the past campaign."

Mr. Hargis, a 38-year-old former Baptist preacher who last year toured 55 cities with former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker, said he had been notified today of the Government's move.

"This action doesn't affect our corporation, only the contributors to our cause," he said. "And even so, our average contribution is \$4. Now what would tax-exempt status mean to these 250,000 people? They are not big money."

Mr. Hargis said he thought the Johnson Administration was trying to "shut us down" because of the organization's conservative outlook.

"If the Administration can close down an opposing voice, doesn't this set a precedent?" he asked. "Couldn't a conservative administration close down an opposing voice?"

Mr. Hargis named a half-

dozen liberal organizations that he said had tax-exempt status but took political stands.

"Since no announced action has been taken against those left-wing groups, educational and religious, which definitely violated Internal Revenue Code 501 . . . I have come to the conclusion that this may well be evidence of a beginning reign of harassment and persecution for those who hold opposite views to the Administration in Washington," he said.

The evangelist said he had personally supported Senator Barry Goldwater, the defeated Republican candidate, but said one of the Crusade's six trustees had actively campaigned for President Johnson.

Among the organizations that he said campaigned for Mr. Johnson while enjoying tax-exempt status were the Chicago Theological Seminary, the Union Theological Seminary, the Christian Century Foundation and the Methodist Student Movement.

The tax-exempt revocation applies to Christian Echoes National Ministry, Inc., the parent organization of the Christian Crusade.

Mr. Hargis has 30 days to appeal the ruling. He said he would as far as necessary and, if unsuccessful, would file a "people's" suit against liberal groups.

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*John J. Tarrant*



*Director*

*Executive Membership Division  
The Research Institute of America, Inc.  
589 Fifth Avenue, New York 17, N.Y.*

November 20, 1964

The President  
White House  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

One of the outstanding things about the career of J. Edgar Hoover has been his ability to stand above controversy. Mr. Hoover's unfortunate performance the other day seems to indicate that that ability and the judgment it requires have deserted him. It is sad. Mr. Hoover has served the country long and honorably. It is imperative now that he retire.

Respectfully yours,

*JJ Tarrant*

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The President  
The White House  
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Sir:

Please do our country a  
service and oust J. Edgar Hoover.  
For years Mr. Hoover did his  
job and kept quiet about  
his political and social views.  
Now that he is becoming more  
vocal I feel it would be  
better for the country if he  
were replaced with a more  
prudent man. (California's own  
Governor Brown would be a fine  
replacement)

Sincerely,  
Lemon McCormick



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Department of Social Sciences

Dear Mr. President,

Please accept my belated congratulations on your resounding victory on November 3rd. This was a well-earned win, and dealt a death-blow to the forces of extremism and reaction in this country.

It was very nice to see you and Mrs. Johnson at the dedication of the cornerstone at the St. Barnabas church, recently. Both of my children were pleased no end, to receive a personal wink from the President of the United States as you were leaving.

I am writing today also, Mr. President, to recommend the immediate retirement of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Hoover was appointed at a time when a stable hand at the helm was needed to guide a fledgling young agency, and he has served his country well in the past, but he has long since outlived his usefulness to this country in his present position. Mr. Hoover, it seems to me, has never really understood the theory or doctrine involved in communism, and has advocated the same blind approach to the handling of communists that he has to juvenile delinquents; namely, rough them up, lock them up and throw away the key, etc. Such an approach is effective, in the short run, but is bound to fail, in the long run. You can't kill ideas by putting people behind bars, nor can you change delinquent behavior patterns by that method. The causes of the acceptance of these ideas or patterns of behavior must be eliminated, to be effective in dealing with them.

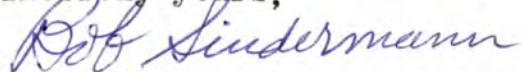
Mr. Hoover's behavior yesterday, in heaping blame on the Secret Service while whitewashing the incompetent role played by the F.B.I. in the tragedy in Dallas last year, was far beneath him, as a man of integrity. Certainly, if the Warren Report is at all credible, all three agencies, the F.B.I., the Secret Service, and the Dallas police force should be chagrined at their own roles in that situation, and not one of the three deserves any clean bill of health, as he would have us believe.

Sindermann, Robert  
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Finally, I intend to research for myself, someday, just what happened to so many of our wartime (1941-1945) F.B.I. agents. Either a large number of persons with wierd, warped personalities were taken into that bureau during the wartime manpower shortage, or they were uniformly brainwashed by their superiors in that organization. I find it difficult to believe that so many Dan Smoots and Skousens just happened to have all served at the same time in the F.B.I., and that they all independently came out with the same reactionary mentality. No, it is high time that there was a thorough house-cleaning in the F.B.I., starting with the Director, who is long since over the hill, in my opinion.

I am glad to see that you are able to spend a little time between sessions down here at your ranch home, and hope you'll be able to get in some deer-hunting this time around. I have had Dr. McCrocklin as a guest, here at my home in San Antonio, and am pleased to see that you are apparently going to be able to take part in his inauguration tomorrow.

Sincerely yours,



Robert Sindermann  
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President Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

It is shocking that Mr. J. Edgar Hoover continues to cast doubt on the validity of the criticisms by the Warren Commission of the FBI. In any other democratic country, the head of a government bureau that had been subjected to criticism for failure to carry out adequately such an important function as protecting the head of state would have been asked to submit his resignation. It is therefore disturbing to learn that you are about to request a special dispensation that will permit Mr. Hoover to continue in his present position beyond the mandatory retirement age of 70, which he will reach in January of next year.

Under Mr. Hoover's leadership, the FBI was converted from a law enforcement agency to a thought control agency. American democracy will be better off if Mr. Hoover retires.

Very truly yours,

*Irving Adler*

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Dr. and Mrs. Irving Adler

Ruth Adler  
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President John F. Kennedy  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

It is pleasing that the U.S. Light House Commission  
to cast doubt on the validity of the criticism by the  
Latter Commission of the W.L. In any other American  
country, the word of a Government Bureau should have  
subjected to criticism for it is a very rare  
quality which an important function of protecting the  
head of state would have been asked to shield his resi-  
dence. It is therefore disturbing to learn that you  
report to request a special investigation that will result  
in a review to establish in this case that the  
unusually serious case of W.L. which he will reach in  
January of next year.

Under the Government's responsibility, the FBI was contacted  
from a law enforcement agency to a thought control agency.  
American democracy will be better off if Mr. Hoover returns.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving A. B.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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November 3, 1964

Honorable Bill D. Moyers  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Moyers:

Assistant Director DeLoach has brought to my attention a copy of the communication directed to me on October 29th by Dr. Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., Arkadelphia, Arkansas, which was sent to you.

I received Dr. Phelps' telegram and replied thereto on October 30th. For your information, I am enclosing a copy of my reply.

Sincerely yours,

*J. Edgar Hoover*

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