

Gray's Reported Destruction Of Sensitive Files Probed

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Nixon's special Watergate prosecutor is probing acting FBI director L. Patrick Gray's reported destruction of politically sensitive files belonging to bugging conspirator E. Howard Hunt.

"The matter has been under investigation" by Asst. Atty. Gen. Henry Petersen since April 15, presidential assistant John Ehrlichman said Thursday night in a statement.

Ehrlichman reacted to a New York Daily News report that Gray is ready to tell the Watergate grand jury he burned the files at the suggestion of Ehrlichman and presidential Counsel John W. Dean III.

"I was present, but neither then, nor at any other time, did I give Mr. Gray any request, suggestion or instruction regarding what should be done with the contents," added Nixon's chief domestic adviser, thus denying Gray's reported contention that Dean and Ehrlichman told him that "these files should never see the light of day."

Ehrlichman said he doesn't know "the nature of the contents" but clearly indicated he heard that Gray had destroyed them when he said: "Up until April 15, I assumed the FBI director still had the contents. I learned certain new facts concerning the contents of the Hunt safe on April 15. I promptly reported my findings to

the President the same day and they were relayed to Mr. Petersen, the assistant attorney general. The matter has been under investigation by him since then."

Haldeman helped cover up the Watergate affair. Presidential spokesman Ronald Ziegler, meanwhile denied a flurry of news reports saying the President is actively seeking a trusted aide to direct a house cleaning of the presidential staff.

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Moore's Action Protested

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Student senators officially took "strong exception" Thursday night to Senator Bill Moore's action to kill a bill putting students on college board of regents.

Moore, who also fought the majority rights bill for 18-year-olds, will be at A&M Monday at 2 p.m. for the dedication of the Reed McDonald Services Building.

off campus if they had known of the increases. By a 47-16 vote with one abstention the Senate recommended to the administration to make class attendance for all lecture classes non-compulsory.

as and the University of Houston while it is left to a professor's discretion at Texas Tech, Baylor and Texas Woman's University.

Larry MacRoberts, a former head resident adviser of Milner Hall, was on hand to verbally condemn his former domicile as the Senate voted, 34-28, with an abstention to "strongly-urge" that Milner Hall be closed down for the '73-'74 school year.

A&M Student Learns The Art Of Levitating

The art of levitation, that is the ability to cause an object to rise in the air with no means of support, has intrigued man since the days of the alchemists.

Kenneth Solinsky, a graduate student in industrial engineering, has been working with induction motors for his Master's thesis work.

tial use will dictate how fast parts are moved. The induction motor has many possible uses, according to Solinsky.

Senators took 40 minutes and a roll call vote to defeat a resolution calling for future mid-semester grade reports to be sent only to those on scholastic probation or failing a course.

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Environmental Bills' Outlook Appraised

Char White, Congresswoman from San Antonio, shed some light Thursday on the current state of affairs with environmental legislation in Austin.

The Navy had an enormous induction motor constructed years ago for use as a catapult for aircraft carrier launches. The system worked, but the expense involved was so great that the project was scrapped.

Hawaii and Arizona are the last complete holdouts against "fast time," as they were last year. In Indiana 12 counties, six each in the state's northwest and southwest corners which are in the Central time zone, will observe Daylight Saving Time.

Daylight Saving Time Goes Into Effect Sunday, 2 A.M.

Most of the nation sets the clock ahead at 2 a.m. Sunday and loses an hour of sleep not to be regained until next October. Daylight Saving Time goes into effect at that hour for all but two states and parts of two others.

"I don't think the outlook is good for passing any such legislation this session," White said. White spoke before members of the Environmental Action Council in the Architecture Building.

Solinsky constructed his motor, which has no moving parts, and began working with aluminum, brass and copper to see what combination of power, motor construction and part size would best achieve his goal of moving parts along the top of the motor.

Officially the other 80 counties in Indiana, in the Eastern time zone, will remain on standard time. But seven of these counties, bordering Louisville, Ky., and Cincinnati, Ohio, will observe daylight time unofficially to conform with the time in those cities.

"If we get two or three decent environment bills through this session, then we'll be lucky," said White.

"One day," he said, "I put a large piece of aluminum on the motor and turned the power on. Not only did the part move down the top of the motor, but it also raised off the surface.

Most of Michigan will observe Eastern Daylight Saving Time. But four counties adjoining Wisconsin will be switching permanently to Central Time by order of the U. S. Department of Transportation and will not change their clocks.

White reported on the status of eight environmental bills that are now or were in the legislature this session.

"I had read that levitation might be possible with induction motors," he continued, "but I didn't think my motor would be capable of raising something in the air."

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White listed most of the other seven bills as either in "bad shape" or stalled in one chamber or another.

Solinsky said the unique feature of his system is that parts will move in a straight line down the motor. He found that, by placing two motors side-by-side, parts being moved by the system would not move off to the side, as they did with a single motor configuration.

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The other bills would cover strip mining, a cigarette and a motor fuel tax amendments, and several environmental protection agencies.

"This type of conveyor," he explained, "is much more reliable than the conventional belt methods. For shorter distances, the induction conveyor system is more economical than the conveyor belt, and since there are no moving parts, maintenance is not a problem."

The induction motor utilizes electromagnetic operation. It repels non-ferrous metals such as aluminum, brass and copper like poles of another magnet.

"The Endangered Species Bill is looking quite good and is in about the best shape of all our legislation," said White.

Solinsky can vary the speed of parts being moved by his conveyor by changing control grids on the motor and by varying voltage. Speeds range from virtually no movement at all to hundreds of miles per hour. He thinks there is no limit to the speed that can be achieved, but prac-

ting with chalk provided by the Memorial Student Center. A Mall dance between the Library and Agriculture Building is scheduled tonight from 8 to midnight. (Photo by Gary Baldasari)

"We started too late," said White when she explained some of the reasons why they had not been very successful with legislation. "We did not have the promised support from the governor's office or from the lieutenant governor."

White urged local support for such issues. "We don't have the grass roots support necessary for this type of legislation."

A CHALK IN was held Thursday beside the parade field in front of the Richard Coke Building. Various obscenities were etched into the cement pavement as students "told it like it was." Gary Terry and Steve Stewart do their

Linked To Buggings Former Nixon Man Resigns

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Magruder's sudden resignation took Commerce Department officials by surprise. The department's director of public affairs, Basil Litton said late Thursday he had searched and been unable to find any official notification of the resignation.

Summer Room Registration Begins Monday

The Housing Office has announced the procedure reserving rooms for the first summer session. The following residence halls will be used for the first summer session: Dunn, Moore (20), Puryear (ramps A-B-C), Krueger (for women only) and Schuhmacher (22) for veterinary medicine, graduates and international students.

Magruder, according to news accounts, has told prosecutors that former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell and White House Counsel John W. Dean III approved and helped plan the Watergate bugging operation.

Magruder also reportedly accused Mitchell and Dean of arranging payoffs to buy silence from the men accused of the Watergate raid.

Magruder's resignation from the Commerce Department was disclosed by his lawyer, James J. Bierbower. Asked for an elaboration, Bierbower said: "There will be none."

Bierbower has said his client would testify voluntarily before the Watergate grand jury.

Students presently living in the residence halls listed above who wish to reserve the room they now occupy should register 8 a.m. Monday through 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Students who wish to reserve a room other than the one they now occupy should sign up on a first-come, first-served basis 8 a.m. Thursday through 5 p.m. May 11.

Students who reserve rooms but cancel after May 15 will forfeit their room deposits.

All residence halls except Schuhmacher and Hughes will be closed and locked 6 p.m. May 11. Students other than those who will be living in Schuhmacher for the summer session may obtain accommodations in Hughes Hall for the three week period between terms. Rooms may be obtained by signing up at the Housing Office between 8 a.m. May 7 and 5 p.m. May 10. Rent for this period will be \$2 per day, payable at signing.

Students who live in Schuhmacher who need accommodations between terms will also sign up and pay rent subject to the same schedule and rates.

Students found living in Hughes or Schuhmacher between terms who have not signed up and paid the required rent will be subject to disciplinary action in addition to the \$2 per day charges.

All students changing rooms are reminded to properly check out of their old rooms and into their new rooms with the resident advisor.

Students now residing in residence halls but who wish to apply for day student status for the summer session should file such application with the Housing Office immediately.

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