

# FBI to Give Technical Aid to Series

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WASHINGTON — The Federal Bureau of Investigation moves next fall into a new field—television.

It is the first time the investigative agency has agreed to give technical assistance to a TV series.

Despite a few TV critics and political columnists questioning the right of the FBI to lend its assistance to the series, the agency and its director, J. Edgar Hoover, hope a new way has been found to combat crime and bring law enforcement education right into the family living room.

"Educating the public on the crime menace is a problem that has not only plagued us, but every chief of police and sheriff in the country," said an FBI spokesman.

"In his recent message to Congress the President, speaking on law enforcement and the administration of justice, stressed that it was of 'utmost importance that the people of this country understand what is at stake in controlling crime in our nation.'"

Efrem Zimbalist Jr., who has starred on TV as a private investigator, will play the lead role as an FBI official in the new series, which will be based on closed cases from the files of the bureau. The official will have a daughter to lend a woman's interest.