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BECAUSE OF VOLUME OF MAIL RECEIVED, PARADE REGRETS IT CANNOT ANSWER QUERIES ABOUT THIS COLUMN.

**ON THE FBI FRONT** How much does the FBI pay in bribery each year? That's a closely held secret, but testimony before the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence revealed that in fiscal 1976 the bureau budgeted more than \$7 million to pay for domestic security information. Knowledgeable sources in the committee place the amount of money paid to informants on crime at about \$3 million, which brings the total to about \$10 million annually.

The FBI does not, of course, make public how much money it pays to informants, but some of the figures have come to light as a result of the lawsuit filed by the Socialist Workers Party against the bureau.

Information derived from discovery proceedings reveals that the FBI paid 301 informers a total of \$1,683,000 from 1960 to 1976 to divulge the activities and plans of the party and its youth affiliate, the Young Socialist Alliance. In addition to paying these 301 members of the party, the FBI also paid 1000 other informants for providing information on the two groups, which have a combined membership of 2500.

For years the FBI has heavily infiltrated the Communist Party, the Ku Klux Klan, the Social-



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ist Workers Party and other organizations and has paid for information on a regular monthly basis. In the case of the Socialist Workers Party, the bureau infiltrated and investigated for 38 years but could not produce any evidence of law violation.

Next year, when Federal Judge Frank Johnson becomes new FBI director,

Shirley Dyckes, spent 15 years of her life as a nun before she met the FBI director and married him last October.

Mrs. Kelley says, "I will be able to say a good deal about Clarence's work as head of the FBI as I have seen it, because I have traveled extensively with him as part of his program of encouraging wives of agents--and women in general--to become more closely associated with FBI work." Mrs. Kelley, however, knows relatively little about the inner workings of the bureau, particularly its arrangements with informers.

Clarence Kelley is scheduled to resign as director of the FBI on Jan. 1, 1978. By then he will have served as director for four years and six months. Kelley took office on June 27, 1973, succeeding Pat Gray, and found himself immersed in the floods of Watergate.

there will undoubtedly be a sweeping realignment of budgetary priorities throughout the bureau directed at the recruitment and payment of informants.

Incidentally, the wife of Clarence Kelley, current director of the FBI, has signed to publish her autobiography next spring. Mrs. Kelley, the former



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