Quiz Army on Files

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Washington Post Staff Writer Sen. Sam J. Ervin (D-N.C.) to "tell us what they have in their computers" concerning political activities and personal habits of American citizens.

- Testifying last week, Assistant Secretary of the Army Robert Froehlke told Ervin's Constitutional Rights Subcomwhite about new Pentagon re-strictions on military spying upon civilians. He suggested that this job be given entirely and an antiwar figure, mir-eroded by those who sought to to the FBI.

However, as Army officials Ervin said yesterday information is in those dos- tored." siers and what the Army is doing with it.

the Army but also from the cial controls and newcongres-The information, Volpe said, Justice Department, whose sional legislation might procial controls and new congres- vide safeguards against bureasaid yesterday he plans to vide safeguards against cratic invasion of privacy. summon new Army witnesses bureaucratic invasion of

privacy. tion, said subcommittee staff of other political director Laurence M. Baskir, "We don't yet have a very during the Army's 1967-70 clear idea of what we don't anti-riot surveillance effort know."

Testifying yesterday, Jer ome Wiesner, president-elect

rored Ervin's concern: "I doubt that anyone is then noted, some eight million aware of the full extent of the ... which only George Orwell dossiers (mostly involving se-surveillance and information and we in our nightmares curity checks on servicemen collection activities that go and defense constractors) re- on," he said. "Many people, main at Ft. Holabird, Md. myself included, have long ophe erated on the assumption that wanted more details on what our activities are being moni-

Wiesner suggested that a oing with it. Aides said fresh details division of Congress' General revocations of individual drivwould be sought not only from Accounting Office, plus judi- ers' licenses for all causes.

Also calling for safeguards was Sen. Adlai Stevenson 3d After 13 months' investiga- (D-Ill.) whose name, with those figures,

> the Ervin panel. "Trust, essential to our selfcivil counter disturbances with spying and data banks could have conceived a generation ago."

> Another Ervin witness, Secretary of Transportation John Volpe, promised controls over the computerized National Driver Register, which stores

is used to prevent convicted "killer drivers" from getting new licenses in other states, their driver records available to anyone, including insurance companies and employers, for a fee.