

Prosecutor Reportedly Indicted

Judge to Meet Today With Chicago Grand

CHICAGO, April 25 (AP)—A Circuit Court judge said today he has requested a private meeting with a special Cook County grand jury that reportedly voted to indict at least one high-level official in connection with a 1969 police raid in which two Black Panthers were killed.

Judge Joseph A. Power, who has presided over the jury since its formation last December, refused to comment on whether the reported

indictment of State's Attorney Edward V. Hanrahan would be discussed in the private session.

He said the meeting would be Monday afternoon.

Stories in the Sunday editions of the Lerner Newspapers, a group of neighborhood publications, quoted reliable sources as saying the jury voted to indict Hanrahan for obstructing justice following the Dec. 4, 1969, raid.

Police Supt. James B. Con-

lisk Jr., was named as a co-conspirator, the Lerner newspapers quoted informed sources as saying, but was not accused as a defendant. Neither Hanrahan nor Conlisk was available for comment.

The special jury was sworn in Dec. 7 as the fourth official body to investigate the pre-dawn raid in which Fred Hampton, Illinois chairman of the Black Panthers, and Mark Clark, a party organizer from Peoria, were shot to death.

Other investigations were conducted by a county coroner's jury, a county grand jury and a federal grand jury.

The federal grand jury report issued May 15, said police had fired 82 to 99 shots into the apartment while only one shell was identified as having been fired by occupants of the apartment.

The county grand jury indicted seven other persons in the apartment on charges of attempted murder Jan. 30,

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1970, but the charges were dropped by Hanrahan on May 8. He said the indictments were based in part on erroneous ballistics evidence introduced before the county grand jury.

Neither the coroner's jury nor the federal grand jury returned indictments.

The Chicago Tribune and the Chicago Sun-Times reported today they had possessed for several days copies of true bills (indictments) re-

ported by the jury but had withheld publication pending presentation in open court.

The Tribune said the indictments were presented to Power on Thursday but the judge refused to sign them. The Tribune said Power told the jury he would not accept the indictments until the jury heard further witnesses, including Hanrahan.

Barnabas Sears, the prosecutor named by Power to conduct the jury investigation,

said today, "There were no indictments presented to Judge Power" during the meeting Thursday.

Power also denied receiving any notice of indictments from the jury.

On Saturday, Sears said the Thursday meeting was called at the request of Power, who "tried to tell the grand jury what witnesses had to be called and what witnesses I had to call."

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