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(UPI)—The Central Intelligence Agency and the United States Army helped the Washington Police Department develop a surveillance system that produced a 20,000-name index file now being destroyed, it was reported today.

When the 1968 riots hit Washington, the local police asked for help from the Army and intelligence agency to build card files on 20,000 persons and full files on a smaller number.

The full files have been destroyed during the past six months, and the index file was about 60 per cent destroyed by today, according to a freelance investigative reporter, Susan Truitt, in a broadcast on a local radio station, WRC. She said that she had been given access to police intelligence division files by the police department. She said the division had had files on six present District of Columbia Councilmen and at least one Congressman.

The Baltimore News American reported yesterday that the Maryland General Assembly was investigating the Baltimore Police Department for similar practices, including the maintaining of a file on Maryland's Governor, Marvin Mandel.