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Grandson of Winnie Tells
of Chicago Incident

LONDON (AP) — Winston Churchill, grandson of Britain's wartime prime minister, reported Tuesday he was treated roughly by Chicago police while covering the Democratic Convention.

The 27-year-old Churchill, correspondent for the Evening News, said in a dispatch that he was stopped by policemen at the entrance of his hotel.

"They asked for identification," he said. "I showed them my card of admission to the convention. They told me this was insufficient, and were about to drag me to the paddy wagon when they asked me if I had a key to my room if indeed I was staying in the hotel.

"Fortunately, I was able to produce it, and I was frogmarched by two policemen to the desk of the hotel where they set about inquiring if I were in fact registered.

"Meanwhile, a very aggressive police sergeant demanded an identity card of me. I told him I had none. Whereupon he laid his hands on me and proceeded to frisk me in a rough manner.

"I pushed the man away, and saw his hand reach for his club. But fortunately, just at that moment, the reception clerk reappeared and confirmed that I was, indeed, staying in the hotel. Whereupon the police sergeant let go of me.

"I cannot help thinking how lucky we are with our police force in Britain."