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**Plea to Block  
Columnists  
Is Rejected**

A Federal judge here yesterday, weighing freedom of the press against the right of privacy, refused to block syndicated columnists Drew Pearson and Jack Anderson from publishing excerpts of documents belonging to the conservative political organ Liberty Lobby.

Liberty Lobby's request for a temporary restraining order "sets up the Court as a censor of materials to be published in newspapers," ruled District Court Judge Leonard P. Walsh.

Attorney Betty Southard Murphy, representing the two columnists, said earlier that her research indicated no court has ever imposed "prior restraint" on a newspaper. "The press is free from all censorship of what shall be published," she said, quoting a Louisiana court case.

Liberty Lobby attorney Harvey Bolton came into Court claiming that former Lobby secretary Jeremy Horne either copied or removed documents from the Lobby office here and gave them to Pearson and Anderson.

The columnists have written three articles quoting letters and other documents which they claim demonstrate Liberty Lobby's anti-Semitic views.

Bolton contended that unauthorized copying or removal of the documents was an "outrageous invasion of privacy."

The charge is similar to one by Sen. Thomas J. Dodd (D-Conn.) who claims in a \$2 million libel suit here against the columnists that former Senate employees gave them confidential documents.

Though Judge Walsh denied the ten day temporary restraining order yesterday, Bolton will seek a preliminary injunction in the coming weeks after a full dress hearing on the merits of the case.