

Hoover

At the time Hoover had to pay public attention to the Minutemen, in his 5/19/65 appearance before the House appropriations committee, he had so little good information of his own, apparently from the lack of attention to the Minutemen, that he had to crib from the writing of J. Harry Jones, then working on his "A Private Army".

Six months earlier, the Washington Post had asked Jones to write a special article for it, on the Minutemen. It appeared 11/18/64 (right after a clamor from Congressmen and others because they had feared the Minutemen and the possibility of their involvement in the JFK assassination).

It is this article, almost word for word, that Hoover cribbed. On pp. 111-2 of the Collier paperback (revised) edition of this book, Jones' comparison of his writing and Hoover's statement appears.