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*Washington Merry-Go-Round* by JACK ANDERSON

WASHINGTON — Every citizen, regardless of politics, is supposed to get a fair shake from our legal authorities. But the Justice Department is a little more fair if you happen to be a Republican. Here are just a few examples:

- Over two years ago, I presented conclusive evidence that Republican Jim Collins, a Texas millionaire, was squeezing salary kickbacks out of his staff. The FBI reluctantly investigated and an indictment was handed down. But it wasn't Collins who was charged. It was his administrative assistant, George Haag. Last month, Haag was found guilty in federal court. Collins, who masterminded the plot, remains free.

- I also reported that Arch Moore, the rotund Republican governor of West Virginia, had stuffed political contributions in his own pocket. The Internal Revenue Service investigated and found Moore had under-reported his income by at least \$131,000 over a five-year period. Yet the Justice Department quietly allowed Moore to settle his tax case out of court.

- Over the past few years, Teamsters boss Frank Fitzsimmons has developed a close relationship with President Nixon. Fitzsimmons's son, Richard, is a local union official in Detroit. He has come under investigation for allegedly purchasing gasoline for his personal cars with union funds. But Fitzsimmons senior promised to deliver the Teamsters' endorsement to Nixon. At the same time, the federal investigation of Fitzsimmons junior suddenly stalled.

The statue of justice wears a blindfold — supposedly to prevent discrimination. But the Republicans have provided justice with a GOP seeing eye dog.

#### China Confidential

House leaders Hale Boggs and Gerald Ford recently returned from a trip to Communist China. Here are excerpts from their confidential report to the President:

- Boggs and Ford held more than six hours of private talks with Premier Chou En-lai. They informed the President he had favorably impressed the wily, old Chou during their summit meeting. The Chinese leader respects Nixon particularly for his grasp of international affairs.

- Boggs and Ford also relayed the astounding report that Red China doesn't really want the United States to disarm. They want us out of Vietnam but they want us to withdraw carefully. They definitely do not want us to leave the Pacific entirely. The reason for this is China's fear Russia would move into the vacuum.

- The Soviets will never disarm, the Chinese feel, and our disarmament would serve only to upset the current balance of superpowers and threaten world stability.

- Boggs and Ford also told Nixon that Chou doesn't approve of suggestions to pull U.S. troops out of Europe. As long as we are there, the Chinese reason, Russia will have to keep troops on their European front. This, in turn, diminishes their strength along the Chinese border.