

# Mathias Foe Seeks Probe of Charges

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Dr. Ross Z. Pierpont yesterday asked the Justice Department to investigate allegations he has made against Sen. Charles McC. Mathias Jr. (R-Md.), whom Pierpont is challenging in Maryland's Republican primary election.

In a private meeting with lawyers of the Justice Department's fraud section, Pierpont questioned the legality of Mathias' use of some 1972 Republican campaign funds and the senator's receipt of a \$5,000 fee for a series of college lectures.

Mathias was vacationing in Maine yesterday but Dick Contee, Mathias' campaign manager, released a recent reply Mathias made to Pierpont's charges: "The editors of a Baltimore newspaper have characterized my opponent's campaign as being 'long on bombast and innuendo and short on specificity.' His latest false charges fit this definition exactly."

After a 25-minute closed session with Pierpont and four of his campaign aides, Thomas McTiernan, chief of the Justice Department's fraud section, would say only, "We're going to evaluate the stuff and see what happens."

Pierpont, a right-wing perennial candidate and Mathias' only opponent in the Sept. 10 primary, repeatedly has attacked Mathias as "a darling of the ultra liberal left," and for allegedly having acted "worse than Nixon and Agnew."

Pierpont, a Baltimore surgeon, pleaded innocent earlier this week to two counts of illegally prescribing a narcotic. He had been indicted earlier this month in Harford County.

Pierpont went to the Justice Department yesterday after making his sixth weekly appearance at the Senate Office Building, where Pierpont has unsuccessfully sought to confront Mathias with chapters from Pierpont's document that he calls the "Book of Revelations" about Mathias.

Among the matters Pierpont asked the Justice Department to investigate is his charge that Mathias received a payment of from \$7,500 to \$12,500 from the Maryland United Republican Finance Committee

in 1972. Pierpont questioned whether the money was legitimately spent.

Mathias has said he never made use of a \$12,500 check that had been sent to him by the party's finance committee, calling Pierpont's charge "both reckless and untrue." The fact is that I was offered a check in the amount of \$12,500 from the finance committee which I declined to accept and which I returned un-cashed and undeposited."

Pierpont also asked the Justice Department to review his earlier charge that a \$5,000 fee laid by Dag Hammarskjold College in Columbia to Mathias for three speeches he made there last year involved using the college "as a conduit to slide money into Mathias' pocket" from Columbia developer James Rouse.

Mathias, Rouse and the college's president have defended the \$5,000 fee as being legitimate. Mathias said that although he is a member of the board of governors of the small college—which this week announced it has had to cancel its program of international studies and dismiss most of its faculty—he did not know the \$5,000 speaking fee had been provided by Rouse and Rouse's former sister-in-law.

Pierpont also questioned Mathias alleged use of his Senate staff to prepare the three speeches. Contee said Mathias drafted the speeches with the help of two people outside his office whom he personally paid.

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# Come Clean, Senator Mathias!

Hon. Charles McC. Mathias  
U.S. Senate

Dear Senator Mathias:

As your constituents, we have a question for you: What are you hiding? With all due respect we find it strange that you refuse to disclose any information concerning your trip to the Bilderberg meeting in Megeve, France, April 19-21, 1974.

We did notice the letter you sent to the *Washington Post* in which you claim to have promised you would keep the meeting contents confidential. But any questions sent you by Maryland constituents are totally ignored if they involve the Bilderberg meeting and we find that strange and disturbing.

Don't you feel that as a United States Senator you have an *obligation* to disclose fully your activities to Maryland voters?

Do you really believe that you can attend a meeting also attended by principals of foreign governments and consider yourself a "private citizen" and speak "off the record"?

You have indicated the State Department paid your fare to France. Who paid for your return trip?

Is it possible for us, your constituents, to know what subjects were discussed at the Hotel Mont d'Arbois, where the secret conferences were held?

Were any conclusions reached at the meeting? Isn't it logical for us to assume conclusions *were* reached and if we knew what those conclusions were we would not approve? Why else the secrecy?

We know that more than 100 of the world's richest and most powerful men attended this meeting. You are not an oil man, nor a banker, nor are you a billionaire. Most of those attending were. Obviously you were invited because you are a United States Senator. As a Senator your loyalty lies with your constituents, not to international bankers.

Or, do you feel your Senatorial oath of office is superseded by your oath to the Bilderbergers?

As your constituents, we want the answers to these questions.

Concerned  
Maryland Voters

*The above is a composite of recent letters sent to Senator Mathias. If you want more information about the secret Bilderberg meeting, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Liberty Lobby, 300 Independence Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003.*

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