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O'Brien Says Men in Raid Had GOP Walkie-Talkies

WASHINGTON (UPI)— Chairman Lawrence F. O'Brien said Sunday five men arrested in the bugging raid on Democratic headquarters had with them walkie-talkies exclusively licensed to the Republican National Committee.

O'Brien also urged in a letter to President Nixon that a special prosecutor be named to conduct an investigation into the early morning break-in.

The Democratic chairman discussed the case in a television interview—NBC's Meet the Press.

He cited the arrest of James W. McCord Jr., on the Democratic premises, noting McCord was associated with both the Committee for re-election of the President and the GOP National Committee.

"McCord and the men apprehended with him at the time of the arrest had walkie-talkie radios which were authorized to operate on channels granted by the Federal Communications Commission exclusively for the use of the Republican National Committee," O'Brien declared.

He predicted further de-

tails involving Republican officials would be forthcoming Tuesday when preliminary hearings on a \$1 million suit filed against the Committee to Re-elect the President will be held.

O'Brien also predicted that a White House adviser, Charles L. Colson, will be questioned in connection with the lawsuit, particularly his relationship with E. Howard Hunt Jr., who has been linked with the five arrested men. Hunt, a Washington public relations man, at one time worked at the White House with Colson.