

Informer Sought \$50,000 To Aid in Berrigan Prosecution

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — FBI informer Boyd Douglas Jr. acknowledged today he asked the government for a tax-free \$50,000 reward for evidence he obtained to prosecute antiwar priest Philip Berrigan and six others on conspiracy charges. He said his request was turned down.

Douglas, testifying at the Harrisburg 7 conspiracy trial, said an FBI agent told him "If my thoughts were along those lines I should forget about it."

The seven are accused of conspiring to kidnap presidential aide Henry A. Kissinger.

Douglas is the government's key witness and was beginning his second week on the stand. He said he received only \$1,500 for a tip that led to arrests in a Rochester,

N.Y., draft board breakin in September 1970.

He added he also received \$200 in expense money.

The testimony came in response to questions from chief prosecutor William Lynch and appeared designed to blunt expected defense cross-examination of the 31-year-old Douglas which may begin later today.

The defense has characterized Douglas as a con man and an "agent provocateur."

The questioning went this way:

Q—Were you paid any monies by the FBI?

A—Yes I was . . . I received \$200 from special agent Delmar Mayfield for expenses . . . it was in cash.

Q—Any other sums?

A—I received \$1,500 . . . in connection with information

received on Rochester, N.Y.

Q—Was that in cash or check?

A—I never saw the money. It was deposited in a savings account I had in Philadelphia . . . I used the \$1,500 for the purchase of a new car, along with \$2,500 of my own.

Q—Did you ever request any additional money?

A—Yes, approximately \$50,800 . . . it was made in writing.

Q—Did you get an absolute answer?

A—Yes, absolutely no!

Douglas identified the letter which he said he had typed and mailed to Mayfield in October 1970. The letter was addressed "Molly" which Douglas said was the agent's code name.

At first Lynch refused to read the letter but did so under pressure by defense lawyers.

In the letter, Douglas noted that he was asking for the \$50,000 because "I feel it is worth it to the government."

Douglas said that Mayfield told him "my request would not be considered."

Douglas, who had been serving time in the Lewisburg, Pa., federal penitentiary, was paroled in December 1970.