

Anderson Asserts I.T.T. Data Contradict Mitchell's Testimony

WASHINGTON, March 18 (AP) — Jack Anderson, the columnist, reported today that he had obtained summaries of confidential International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation documents that he said contradicted sworn testimony by former Attorney General John N. Mitchell last year to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The documents were in a huge collection that I.T.T. delivered under subpoena to the Securities and Exchange Commission, he said.

Mr. Anderson also reported that the summaries mentioned the names of President Nixon, Vice President Agnew, John D. Ehrlichman and Charles W. Colson, White House assistants; former Treasury Secretary John B. Connally, former Secretaries of Commerce Maurice H. Stans and Peter G. Peterson, Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst and former Assistant Attorney General Richard W. McLaren.

The Senate committee asked the Justice Department to review transcripts of the I.T.T. hearings for possible perjury but "despite some apparent misstatements under oath, no action has been taken," Mr. Anderson said.

He wrote that he had read the summaries to Mr. Mitchell "and he repeated the denials that he had made under oath."

A Justice Department spokesman said today that the matters involving I.T.T. were still under investigation. He declined to comment on Mr. Anderson's reports.

Last week, the House Commerce Committee's special investigations subcommittee

voted 4 to 0 to make public tomorrow a confidential S.E.C. summary of the commission's secret files involving I.T.T. unless the Justice Department or the commission presented, in writing, "a clear and compelling statement" that disclosure would prejudice rights of any person or firm.

Mr. Anderson said the summaries showed that Harold S. Geneen, I.T.T.'s chief executive, visited Washington in early August, 1970, to deal with the company's antitrust matter. The Geneen visit, "according to the memos, was to bring pressure on Richard McLaren, then the antitrust chief, to stop prosecution," Mr. Anderson added.

The columnist wrote that Mr. Geneen sat down with Mr. Mitchell, "who testified at the hearing: 'My office calendar shows that this meeting could not have lasted more than 35 minutes. The meeting was held at Mr. Geneen's request to discuss the over-all antitrust policy of the department with respect to conglomerates.

"I assented to the meeting on the express condition that the pending ITT litigation would not be discussed. Mr. Geneen agreed to this condition. The pending ITT litigation was not discussed at this meeting."

Mr. Anderson said: "ITT's confidential account of the meeting, however, gives quite a different impression. The digest, summarizing a memo of the meeting, states: 'It also indicates there was a friendly session between Geneen and Mitchell. It indicates that Mitchell told Geneen that Nixon was not opposed to the merger.'"