

THE RECORD

Reporters Committee Enters WBAI Case The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, Washington, D.C., has urged the New York State Courts to quash a trial subpoena and contempt citation issued to Edwin A. Goodman, the manager of a small radio station in New York City, WBAI-FM.

The subpoena demands tapes of all news broadcasts involving an October 1970 riot in the Tombs Prison, including interviews with inmates who wished to remain anonymous (and who could be identified by voice prints), news documentaries and other news programming. Goodman refused to comply with the subpoena, was held in contempt, imprisoned and then freed by a federal district court on bail pending appeal.

The U.S. Court of Appeals reinstated the imprisonment order but, in the meantime, the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division, in Manhattan permitted Goodman to remain free on bail.

The Reporters Committee said that compliance with the subpoena is unconstitutional and would have a "chilling effect" on the traditional freedom and independence of the press — especially "on the type of innovative reporting" of prison affairs and of other "dissident" activities involved in the WBAI case. Furthermore, the subpoena seeks to make the press "an investigative arm of government" and thus deters "private citizens from furnishing information to the press," the Committee said.

Rule No Defense For Stolen Files The California state Court of Appeal has ruled that newsmen who are provided a stolen government document for publication may be prosecuted for receiving stolen property. In a 2-1 decision, the court affirmed the conviction of the Los Angeles *Free Press*, its former publisher, Arthur Kunkin, and a reporter, Gerald Applebaum, for receiving a confidential roster of state narcotics agents.

Arnold Awards For Typography The Miami *Herald*, the Dubuque (Iowa) *Telegraph-Herald* and the Claremont (Calif.) *Courier* have been named winners in the fourth annual Edmund C. Arnold Awards in newspaper typography. A total of 266 papers competed.

The Miami *Herald* won in the metro



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"...it vanished quite slowly, beginning with the end of the tail, and ending with the grin, which remained some time after the rest of it had gone."

—Alice and the Cheshire Cat

daily division, and the Dubuque paper received top honors among smaller dailies. In the weekly division, the Claremont *Courier* won for the third straight time.

Edmund Arnold is chairman of the graphic arts department at Syracuse University's School of Journalism and is one of the leading authorities on printing and graphic design.

Seven Wounded By Mortar Fire Seven civilian news- men were among more than a dozen

persons wounded when North Vietnamese mortar fire hit a tank battalion command post overlooking the Dong Ha River in South Vietnam last month. None of the newsmen were critically wounded, field reports said.

The seven are Holger Jensen, the Associated Press; Rex Ellis, NBC correspondent; cameraman Vo Huynh and soundman Enan Bach Bang of NBC; free-lance photographer Richard Brummett and interpreter Nguyen Ngoc Luong, both on assignment for the New York *Times*, and Vinh Dan, a free-lance cameraman working for ABC.