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WASHINGTON (AP) - J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation since 1924, died last night at his home at the age of 77, the Justice Department announced.

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WASHINGTON Hoover A102 add: announced.

.... Acting Atty. Gen. Richard Lleindienst issued a one paragraph statement in which he said Hoover's body was found by his maid at approximately 8:30 a.m. today.

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..... After the word had gone out quietly to FBI offices throughout the country, the news was announced a few hours later by Richard G. Kleindienst, the acting attorney general.

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..... Ironically, the lifelong foe of communism, whose organization pursued "Reds" and helped prosecute them, probably died on May Day, universally a special day for Communists and Socialists.