

F.B.I. Asked to Study Florida Smear Letter

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United States Attorney John
Briggs said in Jacksonville
Saturday the Federal Bureau
of Investigation had been
asked to investigate an anon-
ymous letter smearing Sena-
tor Henry M. Jackson and Hu-
bert H. Humphrey. The letter,
written on stationery of Sen-
ator Edmund S. Muskie, was
mailed to prospective voters
just before the Presidential
primary in Florida last March
14.

Senator Jackson's staff had
asked the Government to in-
vestigate at the time to de-
termine if postal laws had
been violated. Mr. Briggs, ex-
plaining why an inquiry had
not begun until now, said
that the letter sent to his
office in March was not ac-
companied by an envelope
proving that it had been sent
through the mails.