

JAWORSKI INQUIRY ON I.T.T. IS SOUGHT

House Member Dissatisfied
With Earlier Investigation

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 6—Representative J. J. Pickle, Democrat of Texas said today that he was dissatisfied with the Justice Department's investigation of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation.

Mr Pickle said that he had asked Leon Jaworski, the new special Watergate prosecutor, to conduct a "thorough investigation" into the circumstances surrounding the conglomerate's merger with the Hartford Fire Insurance Company and a subsequent antitrust settlement with the Government.

In a letter mailed yesterday to Mr. Jaworski, Mr. Pickle, a member of the Special Subcommittee on Investigations of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, said he was particularly concerned with what he called "improper activities" of William J. Casey, former chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

He also cited "the possible act of fraud and filing of false statements by I.T.T." in a transfer of stock that facilitated the company's merger with Hartford fire.

Mr. Pickle also cited what he termed "possible inconsistencies" in testimony by a former White House aide, Charles W. Colson, and the failure of former Attorney General Richard G. Kleindienst to turn over sensitive I.T.T. documents to staff attorneys at the Justice Department for their review.

Concerned Over Inquiry

Mr. Pickle said in a telephone interview that he had mailed the letter to Mr. Jaworski, as well as to Senator William B. Saxbe, the Attorney-General-designate, because he was concerned about the course of the investigation.

"If we don't spotlight this thing, the Justice Department might just do business as usual," he said. "Somebody has to get on top of this."

The matters involving Mr. Casey, who now is Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, and the other Nixon Administration figures were discussed at hearings held earlier this year by the special investigations subcommittee.

The record of that inquiry was forwarded to the Justice

Department on Oct. 10, but Mr. Pickle said he felt additional comments were warranted to provide a focus for Justice Department investigators.

The case was propelled back into the spotlight last week with the disclosure that Mr. Kleindienst had been ordered by President Nixon not to press antitrust case. Mr. Kleindienst said he had threatened to resign if the President persisted and that an appeal was eventually filed.