

**An Apology to Barker**

WASHINGTON, March 15 (AP)—The Central Intelligence Agency said today that it had apologized on behalf of its former director, Richard Helms, for his testimony stating that Watergate figure, Bernard L. Barker had been dismissed because of involvement in gambling and other criminal associations.

C.I.A. officials said that Mr. Barker, convicted for the 1972 break-in of the Democratic National Committee headquarters, had left the agency in 1966 in good standing.