

Testimony On Cash at Vesco Home

New York

Financier Robert L. Vesco's former secretary testified yesterday that an associate picked up \$200,000 in cash at Vesco's New Jersey home on April 9, 1972, and later told her: "I delivered the package; I hope it did the trick."

The money was allegedly the secret campaign contribution which the prosecution in the trial of John N. Mitchell and Maurice Stans charges was used to try to influence a federal investigation of the fugitive financier.

Shirley Bailey, testifying for the prosecution, said she helped Laurence Richardson Jr. count out the money. Richardson testified last week that he delivered the law partner, William Sasey, was SEC chairman at the Nixon campaign fund-raiser.

Mrs. Bailey's appearance at the federal court conspiracy trial of the two former Nixon cabinet members followed testimony by former Republican national chairman Leonard Hall that an attorney approached him in May, 1971, to get help for Vesco in his difficulties with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Hall's former lay partner, William Casey, was SEC chairman at the time.

Vesco, who was chairman of the now-defunct International Controls Corp., is now a fugitive from prosecution.

Mitchell, former attorney general, and Stans, former secretary of commerce, are charged with conspiracy to impede the SEC investigation in return for a \$200,000 campaign contribution.

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