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## DELAYS IN REPORTS ON GIFTS CHARGED

Wives of Fulbright, Agnew  
and Rogers Mentioned

WASHINGTON, June 11 (UPI)—A Washington columnist says the wives of former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, former Secretary of State William P. Rogers and Senator J. W. Fulbright received gifts not immediately reported to the Government.

The columnist, Maxine Cheshire of the Washington Post, who earlier investigated the failure of Mrs. Richard M. Nixon and her daughters to report gifts of jewelry from Arab leaders, as required by law if the value exceeds \$50, reported today that the State Department Protocol Office recently began getting reports on the receipt of jewels and other gifts to American officials that had previously gone unrecorded.

In addition to the gifts from Arab rulers to the prominent wives, the Protocol Office has also recorded an apparently custom-made diamond set of shirt studs and tie clasps with golf balls and tees on it given by the King of Morocco.

The Agnew gifts also included a diamond-studded, gold-sheathed dagger from King Faisal of Saudi Arabia and diamond and pearl jewelry from the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia. All were received in 1971, but were not reported or turned over to the State Department until this April 1, six months after Mr. Agnew resigned.

Late in 1972, the Post said, Elizabeth (Betty) Fulbright received a set of emerald and diamond jewelry from the Petroleum Minister of Abu Dhabi, the Persian Gulf emirate.

Senator Fulbright heads the Foreign Relations Committee, which drafted the law requiring the immediate yielding of such gifts. Mrs. Fulbright said she never wore the jewels. "Good heavens, no! You're not supposed to, are you?" she exclaimed. The Post said Mrs. Fulbright turned the gifts in early this year after apologizing that deaths in the family and her own illness had caused the delay.

Mr. Rogers told The Post

that he and his wife turned the jewels over to a State Department official shortly after they were received and that he thought they were in an office safe. They were found, The Post said, among his locked personal files.

Under the law, officials are not supposed to take gifts from foreigners, unless refusing to do so would be embarrassing or harmful to American foreign policy. If accepted, such gifts are supposed to be turned over promptly to the State Department.

But there is no way to enforce the law, according to State Department officials, because it is only when recipients turn gifts in that it is known they received them.