

\$100,000 a Year Plus Commissions

Agnew Prosperous But Bitter

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Former Vice President Spiro Agnew is said to be making \$100,000 a year, plus commissions that also could run as high as six figures. Nevertheless, he remains bitter over the disgrace that drove him from Washington.

"He's bitter over the whole works, from the Department of Justice right on through everything that happened," his daughter, Pamela, is quoted as saying in the December issue of McCall's magazine.

Since pleading no contest to a tax evasion charge and resigning as vice president, writes Nick Thimmesch, author of the magazine article, Agnew "could be well on his way to becoming a million-

aire in his new occupation as a business broker."

With an unspecified advance on a novel he is writing, McCall's said, Agnew incorporated Pathlite, Inc., a company set up for the purpose of consulting and owning, managing and selling property.

"Soon afterward," the article, continued, "he signed a four-year contract with a Midwest land developer named Walter Dilbeck, under which he is paid a salary of \$100,000 a year, plus one-third of profits."

"During his two visits to Kuwait this year, Agnew was working as a middleman between the Kuwait International Investment Co. and Dilbeck. The Kuwait

firm, which is owned by some of Kuwait's highest placed families, is only a year old but growing fast, and has a lot of money to spend.

"Wgnew's current negotiations deal with the Kuwait firm's efforts to buy and develop a huge wooded tract of land near Lake Barkley in Kentucky. If that deal goes through for a sale price estimated at between \$5 million and \$6 million, his commission could run to six figures."

Nevertheless, Thimmesch quoted Agnew as telling him:

"I'm bitter. I'll never get over the distortions and inaccuracies in the press. I don't like 90 per cent of the press. I don't need the press.

"What more can they do to me? I am not a public person any more. You people in the press are always arguing for the right to privacy. How about letting me have mine?"

"I'm just trying to make a living. What I do is my business, not the public's business. . . . I don't want a fast track any more. I just want to be left alone."

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