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WASHINGTON, June 16 (AP) —Attorney General William B. Saxbe said Sunday that the Federal Bureau of Investigation engaged in improper practices as part of a counterintelligence operation approved by the late J. Edgar Hoover when he was director of the bureau.

Mr. Saxbe complained about Mr. Hoover's one-man control of the F.B.I. and commended the current director, Clarence M. Kelley, for his effort to open the agency to public scrutiny. The Attorney General spoke on the NBC radio program "Speaking Freely."

Without specifying incidents, Mr. Saxbe said the counterintelligence operation "meant

that [Hoover] was taking active measures to stop the violence on campus and the racist activities, and what he considered Communist activities." Asked if the operation involved "improper conduct," the Attorney General replied, "I'm afraid so."

Justice Department sources familiar with the issue have said there is no evidence that the Attorneys General in office at the time knew of Mr. Hoover's project.

Stolen Car Had 'Extras'

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The thief who stole a 1954 car belonging to Raymond Johnson, a worker at the San Antonio zoo, may have received a surprise later. In the back seat were two burlap bags. One contained seven iguanas, the other three rattlesnakes.