

Jackson Proposes *F Post 1/21/72* Watergate Inquiry

SEATTLE (AP) — Sen. Henry M. Jackson, D-Wash., Friday urged creation of a commission to investigate the Watergate bugging incident.

The Watergate break-in "and the possible connection of an administration 'department of dirty tricks' must be subjects of a major inquiry," he told a news conference.

He was referring to a recent article by columnist Jack Anderson in which Anderson referred to President Nixon's "dirty tricks crew" which the columnist said is trying to "disrupt and discredit the Democrats."

Seven men have been indicted in the Watergate case. Five of them were arrested inside the Democratic National Committee headquarters in the Watergate office building last June 17. Police said the men had wiretapping equipment when they were arrested. The other two men arrested are former White House aides.

Recent published reports have alleged that administration aides were involved in political spying and sabotage against the Democrats. The White House has denounced such assertions as unsubstantiated charges and hearsay.

The 12-member citizen commission Jackson seeks would not begin work until after the election, he said.

Jackson also confirmed reports by Anderson that the Jackson offices in Miami were burglarized during the Democratic presidential primary there.