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Acting Attorney General is dedicated conservative

Robert H. Bork, President Nixon's Solicitor General who was elevated to acting Attorney General when no one else would fire Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox, has a substantial reputation as a conservative intellectual and politician. Nixon named him to the number three post in the Justice Department last December, before Elliot Richardson and William French Smith were selected.

Bork, a former Chicago attorney and Yale professor, got involved in national politics as one of Barry Goldwater's brain-trusters in the 1964 campaign, under the general leadership of William J. Baroody, President of the American Enterprise Institute and recruiter for Nixon. (p. 38)

After Goldwater's smashing defeat, Bork became a member of the Editorial Advisory Committee of the group established to perpetuate Goldwater philosophy -- the Free Society Association. FSA, now defunct, was presided over by Denison Kitchel, who had been Goldwater's campaign manager, and included as Trustees an assortment of businessmen, intellectuals, politicians and retired military leaders.

Organized right wing

Names on its letterhead interlocked significantly with the American Enterprise Institute, and Bork was named early last year to be an adjunct scholar at the Institute. A few months later, the Institute published an analysis by Bork upholding the legality of Nixon's anti-busing proposals. The Administration had consulted him, among others, before sending them to Congress.

Also, in the summer of 1972 Nixon appointed AEI's Baroody to be Chairman of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, at the Smithsonian Institute to replace Sen. Hubert Humphrey. A few months later, Nixon added Bork to the Center's Board of Trustees.

Mont Pelerin Society ties

FSA interlocked even more (7 of 11 editorial advisers) with the Mont Pelerin Society, the elite of world-wide conservative intellectuals who have met once a year since 1947 to boost free enterprise and diminish the role of governments. The October 1965 publication of FSA announced that Kitchel had just attended a panel of the Society in Stresa, Italy, to describe FSA.

"He was joined on the platform," it reported, by four members of the Editorial Advisory Committee, including Robert Bork. (Presiding was Prof. G. Warren Nutter, later to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nixon.)

Human Events
distributes
Bork gospel

Much more recently, in the fall of 1972, Bork participated with six other "famous conservatives" in a program advertised as showing how to "explode liberal myths that lead to stifling bureaucracy, costly welfare programs and higher taxes." The talks of the seven were put into cassette form and offered by Human Events, the conservative Washington tabloid, as a "Freedom From Government Seminar" to enable one to "stop liberal arguments cold" right in his own home (for \$50).

An ad for the tapes is reproduced partially below from the Oct. 21 issue. Less than two months later, Nixon named Bork to be Solicitor General, the man who argues the government's cases before the Supreme Court.

Milton Friedman, Yale Brozen, Alan Greenspan,
Robert Bork, Richard Cornuelle, Edward Banfield,
and Ernest van den Haag

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Yale Brozen/Professor of Economics, University of Chicago Business School. Author of *Workbook in Economics*, and dozens of articles in professional economic journals. Consultant for General Electric and other major corporations.

Alan Greenspan/President of Townsend-Greenspan and Company, economic consultants.

Robert Bork/Professor of Law, Yale University, specializing in antitrust legislation. Author of numerous articles published in *Fortune* and other magazines.

Richard Cornuelle/Consultant to *Reader's Digest*, and author of *Reclaiming The American Dream*.

Edward Banfield/Professor of Political Science, Harvard University. Author of *The Unheavenly City*, *City Politics*, *A Moral Basis for a Backward Society*, and *Political Influence, Urban Government*.

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Sonnenfeldt
confirmation
stirs ruckus

A sharp attack from security-conscious right-wingers has stymied the confirmation of Helmut Sonnenfeldt to be President Nixon's Under Secretary of the Treasury and has stirred rumblings of McCarthyism. Sonnenfeldt is senior assistant to Dr. Henry Kissinger on the White House staff.

About the time that confirmation hearings started in the Senate Finance Committee (in May), closed hearings were started in the House Internal Security Committee, spurred by John Ashbrook, a conservative committee member who opposed Nixon in the primaries.

The House hearings, which have not been disclosed, got charges that Sonnenfeldt leaked secrets to the press and others. One accuser was Otto Otepka, the former State Department security officer who has since become active on the right-wing circuit. Similar charges came from two of his former colleagues, John D. Hemenway and Stephen A. Koczak.

The three accusers have also appeared publicly before the Senate Committee, which has jurisdiction. (The House committee has none over the appointment, but is studying government employee loyalty.) Sonnenfeldt has denied all charges and pointed to repeated investigations and promotions.

The New York Times has reported that the witnesses have worked out of Ashbrook's office and has called their activity a campaign to kill confirmation. It also quoted Ashbrook as declaring that the late Senator Joseph McCarthy "was 90 per cent right."

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Organization notes:

The star speaker at this year's conference of the Citizens Councils of America was Governor George Wallace (for the sixth time)...Father Daniel Lyons, S. J., has signed an appeal for Young Americans for Freedom to raise money for new YAF chapters on Catholic college campuses....Congressman Richard Ichord (D-Mo.), Chairman of the House Internal Security Committee, helped dedicate a new library on the grounds of the Institute for American Strategy.....The National Committee to Stop the Equal Rights Amendment has launched a new drive against the proposed constitutional measure. Its Chairman is Phyllis Schlafly, the right-wing author and activist. And new support for the amendment has been announced by the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations.

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Business urged
to stop funds
for education

A very wealthy, pro-Nixon businessman -- David Packard -- recently startled a group of peers and university presidents by telling them that corporations should no longer make unrestricted gifts to private education. Packard's annual income from Hewlett-Packard Co. in California has been estimated at \$1 million a year. He came into national attention as Deputy Secretary of Defense in Nixon's first administration under Melvin Laird. He has also been a director of General Dynamics and U. S. Steel.

According to the New York Times (Oct. 18), Packard said that "boards of trustees could no longer be counted on to spend the

money in ways the corporations could defend to its stockholders."

Formerly, he explained, "most of the trustees of the major private universities were also corporate officers and their judgment could be trusted with unrestricted funds." (Quoting the Times)

What has not been reported elsewhere is the fact that Packard in 1967 was co-director of a drive to raise \$5 million for the Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace at Stanford University of which he is also a Trustee. The Institution would probably deny being ideologically to the right, though others would say it clearly is.

For instance, among its substantial, conservative donors has been the Pew Memorial Trust, at the rate of about \$50,000 a year. (See p. 38, 1973; and p. 30, 1972) Also, as we reported on page 48 last year, the Hoover Institution has decided to make a "major change in emphasis" by which it will "begin devoting the same amount of attention to domestic problems as it does to international affairs."

Not only does its big money (and it is big) come from conservatives, but the Institution has been run for years by W. Glenn Campbell, who was active in the 1964 Goldwater campaign and who was formerly with the American Enterprise Institute. He and Baroody have a reciprocal arrangement as to board membership, and Campbell is a member of the Mont Pelerin Society. (See previous story.)

Packard is the Chairman this year of the prestigious Business Council, a friendly group of business advisers to the Administration.

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PERSONALITIES: Gerhart Niemeyer, a professor of political science at Notre Dame, has taken over the column in National Review of the late Frank Meyer....Tom Van Sickle, State Treasurer of Kansas and a YAF alumnus, is Chairman of the Political Action Committee of the American Conservative Union. He replaces William Rusher, the Publisher of National Review, who has just become syndicated as a conservative columnist....The original tax assessor on President Nixon's San Clemente property was Andrew Hinshaw, a former Bircher who defeated Bircher John Schmitz in the Republican primary and went to Congress. Schmitz supporters claim Nixon helped Hinshaw....Two recent guests on the forum of Clarence Manion, a Birch Society founder, were Senator Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) and Howard Phillips the man who first tried to dismantle the anti-poverty program for the Nixon Administration.