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Salinger Charges Nixon Manipulates U.S. News Media

BOLTON LANDING, N.Y., Sept. 9 (AP)—Pierre Salinger, co-chairman of Citizens for McGovern-Shriver, charged today that the Nixon Administration has been manipulating the news media.

He and Herbert G. Klein, director of communications for the White House, addressed the New York State Associated Press Broadcasters Association meeting here. Mr. Klein did not speak of Mr. Nixon's relationship with the press.

Mr. Klein's speech was devoted to an attack on the credibility of the Democratic Presidential nominee, Senator George McGovern. After his arrival at Albany County Airport, Mr. Klein said young voters were moving away from Mr. McGovern.

He predicted that the next in-depth voter study would show that Mr. Nixon had a lead among young voters.

Mr. Salinger, speaking at the broadcasters' luncheon, characterized the Justice Department's efforts to summon newsmen before grand juries as an attempt "to invade the confidential relationship that exists between the newsman and his source."

In answer to questions after his speech, Mr. Salinger said Mr. McGovern may announce next month the names of a few potential cabinet members that he may appoint if he is elected.

Mr. Salinger said such dis-

closures would help give the American people a better understanding of the kind of administration which Mr. McGovern would have.

The former news secretary to the late President Kennedy said that the tradition of a free press had been gravely endangered by the policies of President Nixon.

"The Pentagon papers suppression is only the most salient example," he said, "of the heavy hand which an insensitive Administration applies to the news media."