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WASHINGTON - (UPI - Former Democratic National Chairman Lawrence F. O'Brien predicted yesterthe administration day would use every possible "delaying tactic" to prevent the men accused of breaking into Democratic headquarters from coming to trial.

He said no grand jury indictment had resulted from the arrest of five men June 17 "in the middle of the night, carrying burglary

tools and electronic eavesdropping equipment."

Financial links later were indicated between those men and the Committee to Reelect the President.

O'Brien is now campaign chairman for Sen. George S. McGovern, the presidential nominee.

"I am convinced the indictment will be delayed as long as possible - with Attorney General (Richard G.) Kleindienst calling the shots - and that every delaying tactic in the book will be employed to keep the case from coming to trial before election day," O'Brien said.

He renewed his demand for appointment of a special prosecutor, needed because of "continued evidence of foot-dragging in the prosecu-'tion of this case."

is needed, he said, "to in-

sure that justice is done and that the American people are fully apprised of all the facts in this unprecedented case of political espionage."

O'Brien said replies to his demand showed the Nixon . campaign committee had everything under control despite disclosures "of financial transactions that link the Republicans ever more A special prosecutor also closely with the Watergate bugging case."