

(All KCBS, taped at various times during the afternoon and evening.)

Network voice: CBS newswoman Connie Chung [phonetic] reports from Albuquerque, New Mexico, where McGovern is weekendng.

Connie Chung: Senator McGovern said a serious effort was made to wiretap his campaign headquarters on Capitol Hill last May 27th. McGovern said there is no question in his mind that the alleged burglars were directly connected with the Committee to Re-Elect the President.

McGovern [voice]: As I understand it, there were two car-loads of men who went to the headquarters. They were clocked [?] at about three o'clock in the morning. There was someone sleeping in the doorway of the headquarters and other workers inside, and apparently that combination was enough to turn them away.

Connie Chung: McGovern refused to reveal the source of his information, only saying, "It's a fact. You'll have to accept it on faith."

Connie Chung, CBS News, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Network voice: The [Democrats] also pressed on with legal action, as we hear from CBS News correspondent, Daniel Shore.

Shore: President Nixon's former campaign manager, John Mitchell, this week wound up the first section of a parade of Republican officials and others making depositions in the offices of Democratic attorneys in the civil suit over the Watergate bugging. Mitchell emerged saying the whole suit was "ridiculous."

But this didn't deter the Democrats from calling another 15 for depositions, that list including Presidential assistant John Ehrlichman, campaign manager Clark McGregor and Republican chairman, Robert Dole.

Releasing that list, Democratic campaign manager Larry O'Brien had new charges to make, that his telephone had been tapped for several weeks before the break-in, that one reason for the break-in, in fact was to adjust the bug and install another, and that another bugging attempt - abortive - had been made three weeks before at McGovern headquarters on Capitol Hill.

With all of this, said O'Brien, the Justice Department was telling him nothing.

O'Brien [voice]: I demand that Attorney General Kleindienst release to me whatever information is possessed by the Justice Department as to personal documents or personal phone conversations that were monitored during the several weeks that my phone was tapped. The conspiracy of silence among Mr. Nixon, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Kleindienst is not going to stop us from laying before the American people the full story of this totally unprecedented act of political espionage.

Shore: Friday [8 Sep] the defendants' lawyers [talked?] of taking their depositions, the first from R. Spencer Oliver, an official of the Democratic National Committee. Oliver's connection with the case was not explained, but on Thursday [7 Sep] O'Brien said that Oliver's phone had been tapped, along with his own.

Daniel Shore, CBS News, Washington.

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Network voice: carried out at McGovern's former campaign office in Washington. The date, May 27th, according to McGovern, three weeks ahead of the Watergate break-in.

CBS News correspondent Daniel Shore says investigators have discovered that a group of men, carrying electronic eavesdropping equipment, did head for the McGovern office but

didn't enter for one reason or another. Shore reports one of the men in the party was James McCord, security coordinator for the Committee to Re-Elect the President who was arrested later at the Watergate. Another man who allegedly met the group was Gordon Liddy, former counsel to the Finance Committee to Re-Elect the President. The Justice Department has no comment.

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