

## 'McCord Told of Pay for Silence'

### Washington

Watergate conspirator James W. McCord Jr. has testified before a federal grand jury that he received \$3000 a month to remain silent about his role in the bugging of Democratic headquarters, according to reliable sources.

McCord, the former security coordinator of the Committee for the Re-election of the President, reportedly testified that Dorothy L. Hunt, the late wife of McCord's co-conspirator, E. Howard Hunt, came from the re-election committee under an arrangement worked out by Kenneth W. Parkinson, the committee's attorney.

Parkinson called the charge "totally and completely false."

McCord reportedly testified that Mrs. Hunt told him that she was receiving money from either Parkinson or an intermediary representing the Nixon re-election committee. Mrs. Hunt was

killed in an airplane crash in Chicago last December, and at the time of her death was carrying \$10,000 in \$100 bills.

According to sources familiar with McCord's grand jury testimony, he said he was told by Mrs. Hunt that she was also paying four other defendants in the case—the Miami men arrested inside the Watergate with McCord in June 17—\$1000 per month each to remain silent about the conspiracy.

McCord, according to the sources, testified that Mrs. Hunt had become increasingly disturbed about her role in allegedly paying off the defendants to keep silent and discussed the matter with him on several occasions.

McCord reportedly told the grand jury that Mrs. Hunt appeared certain that the money was coming from the re-election committee, either directly or indirectly through Parkinson.

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