

MUSKIE'S PAPERS CALLED SPY GOAL

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Witness Expected to Tell of

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WASHINGTON, June 11—Herbert L. Porter, who will be at the witness table when the Senate Watergate hearings resume tomorrow, is expected to testify that the Nixon re-election committee paid a taxi driver to photograph documents from Senator Edmund S. Muskie's Presidential campaign.

Mr. Porter, according to Senate experts, has told investigators that the documents were reproduced during the last few months of 1971.

Mr. Porter was interviewed by Senate interrogators on April 21. He told them, according to a report of that interview, that he did not know the name of the taxi driver but that the driver was a "source" of Kenneth S. Rietz. Mr. Rietz was in charge of the youth vote for the Nixon campaign.

Mr. Porter is reported to have told the investigators that he paid Mr. Rietz \$1,000 a month for two or three months and that Mr. Rietz gave the money to the cab driver.

\$100,000 Paid

Mr. Porter was the scheduling director for the Nixon campaign. In Senate committee testimony last week Hugh W. Sloan Jr., the deputy finance director for the campaign, said that he had mpaid Mr. Porter about \$100,000 in cash, much of which was reported to have been used for "dirty tricks."

The taxi driver worked as a courier for the Muskie campaign headquarters on K Street in downtown Washington, according to what Mr. Porter told the investigators.

While the courier had the material, according to the sources, he would photograph the documents on 35-mm. film.

Jeb Stuart Magruder, President Nixon's deputy campaign director, was said to have authorized taking pictures of the documents.

At one point, according to Mr. Porter's statement, Mr. Magruder brought a strip of 35-mm. negatives into Mr. Porter's office and the two men viewed the negatives on a special eye-piece.

Letters of Thanks

Most of the documents were said to have been letters of thanks to persons who donated to the Muskie campaign.

But one document proved to

be a memorandum from one Muskie staff member to another suggesting that the Senator use his position as chairman of a Senate subcommittee to hold tax reform hearings in California.

Mr. Magruder asked for a copy of that document, and Martha Duncan, Mr. Porter's secretary, typed the copy, according to the investigators.

The Nixon campaign official then gave the copy to a Washington newspaperman who wrote an article about it, the sources reported.

Another document was a 25-page speech by Senator Muskie criticizing the nomination of William H. Rehnquist as Supreme Court Justice.

Mr. Porter told the investigators that Mr. Magruder remarked that John N. Mitchell, then campaign director, would like to see the speech, and the speech was copied.

'Probably So'

During his Senate committee testimony last Thursday, Mr. Porter was asked by Senator Howard H. Baker Jr., Republican of Tennessee, whether he had seen stolen documents while he worked for the re-election committee.

"Probably so. Probably so. But I do not know whether they were stolen or whether they were sent by somebody, perhaps in a campaign," Mr. Porter replied.

Senator Baker asked if Mr. Porter knew Martha Duncan.

Mr. Porter responded that she had been his secretary and that she had typed documents that he believed to have been stolen.

Senator Baker then dropped that line of questioning.

Mr. Porter's lawyer, Charles B. Murray, refused today to comment on the allegations of the investigators.