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**Lowenstein
 Seeks Secret
 Enemies**

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Former Representative Allard K. Lowenstein, who ranked high on the White House list of top priority "enemies" has called for an investigation into a long list of puzzling incidents that have plagued his political and personal life in recent years.

Lowenstein was elected to Congress from the Fifth District on Long Island in 1968, the year he organized the "Dump Johnson" movement. He was defeated for re-election in 1970 by Norman F. Lent after his district's lines were redrawn.

In 1971 he promoted a nationwide campaign to register young voters for the presidential election, and last last year failed to unseat Representative John J. Rooney in the 14th Congressional District in Brooklyn.

Lowenstein spoke to a reporter while he was in California to deliver a series of speeches. He conceded he



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could not prove that any of the mysterious incidents in his own life had been caused by the White House, which placed him seventh on an "enemies" list marked for "action."

INVESTIGATE

But he said the following events merit further investigation:

- His income tax returns were audited in 1969 and 1970, even though he deliberately "underclaimed" the deductions he was entitled to. He was cleared for the first year, but the 1970 audit is continuing.

- During the registration campaign, files in Pittsburgh and Texas disappeared; rally sites were cancelled at the last minute and

the local authorities demanded huge "peace bonds" and in one case threatened youths with arrest if they attended the rally.

- The mother of one of Lowenstein's chief aides, an employe of the federal government, was "called by the White House" and told not to allow her daughter to participate in the registration campaign.

- During the 1972 campaign against Rooney, one union was threatened with an income tax audit if it supported Lowenstein, he said, and another was warned that it risked an adverse ruling by the administration's pay board.

'ACCIDENTS'

At the time, Lowenstein said, he thought these incidents were probably "accidents."

Despite frequent testimony at the Watergate hearings that the White House was deeply concerned about radical demonstrators, the "enemies" list revealed the administration's true feelings, Lowenstein declared.

That list did not include such radicals as Rennie Davis and Abbie Hoffman, he pointed out, but concentrated on such political figures as Arnold Picker, the chief fund-raiser for Senator Edmund S. Muskie, and Alexander Barkan, director of political action for the AFL-CIO.

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