

Kenneth Lazzarini (second from right) with Dita Beard at his right during 1972 family gathering in Mrs. Beard's Denver apartment



The Saga of Dita

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Dita Davis Beard, a Washington lobbyist for ITT, is the alleged author of a memo which implied that ITT would contribute \$400,000 to the Republican National Convention in return for settlement of antitrust cases against the huge conglomerate.

As the Senate Judiciary Committee began an investigation of the memo's allegations, the key witness, Dita Beard, disappeared.

She finally turned up seriously ill with a heart ailment in a Denver hospital. The committee and the FBI tried to question her there, but each time the interview was cut short when she became too ill to continue.

Mrs. Beard, who is 54, eventually left the hospital and moved into a Denver apartment.

The issue of alleged ITT payoffs to the Republican party has never been settled. Last summer, then-Attorney General Elliot Richardson announced that the Justice Department had handed its ITT investigation to special Prosecutor Archibald Cox.

Earlier this month, Mrs. Beard revealed that she had been subpoenaed to testify before the special Watergate grand jury in Washington. She added that she would try to avoid testifying because of medical reasons.

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KEN LAZZARINI 1234 BROADWAY ST. DENVER, COLORADO 80202		INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH CORP. 330 Park Ave., New York, N. Y. 10022		
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IRS form shows ITT payment to Lazzarini