

FBI to Guard Saxbe

Washington

The FBI has assigned agents to provide almost constant protection for Attorney General William B. Saxbe, the Justice Department disclosed today.

Justice Department spokesman John W. Hushen said the security program was begun two weeks ago at Saxbe's request following several kidnapings and one recent threat on the attorney general's life.

He said Saxbe has recommended to other cabinet officers that they also institute some additional security measures for themselves.

Hushen said the security provided for Saxbe is similar to that afforded former Attorney General John N. Mitchell, who hardly traveled anywhere without personal bodyguards. Mitchell's successors, Richard G. Kleindienst and Elliott L. Richardson, normally had no personal bodyguards.

Saxbe has said the threat to kill him came in a note from a Californian found to have a history of mental illness.

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