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CHICAGO, May 28 (UPI)—the Rev. John J. McLaughlin, a Presidential aide, said to-day he thought the raido and television networks were trying harder t'o be fair with the President but that the news magazines were on a witch hunt.

McLaughlin, Father Jesuit priest noted for his outspoken defense of President Nixon, made his remarks in answer to a question on a television program on WGN.

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He also give Federal District Judge John J. Sirica more credit for breaking the Watergate case than The Washington Post.

I think there is a residual left bias in the national media of this country, "Father McLaughlin said. "I think lately there has been a lessening of this bias and there has been an effort in the direction of fairness, particularly on the part of the networks.

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'The ink media, however, particularly Newsweek and Time magazine, remain quite anti-Nixon. "Concerning their coverage, he said, "I think this has now developed into a witch hunt."