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Attorney Indicted

On Milk Co-op Aid To Senator Muskie

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (UPI)

— A private attorney who worked for the nation's largest dairy cooperative was indicted today in connection with helping funnel \$13,400 in illegal contributions to the 1970 reelection campaign of Senator Edmund S. Muskie, Democrat of Maine.

Stuart H. Russell, 58 years old; of Oklahoma City, was charged by a Federal grand jury with one count of conspiracy and two counts of "aiding and abetting a willful violation" of the campaign laws by Associated Milk Producers, Inc. If convicted, he could receive up to nine years in prison and a \$30,000-fine.

Also named in the indictment, but not as a defendant, was Harold S. Nelson, general manager of A.M.P.I.

The Government charged that Mr. Russell, who was on retainer to the big milk cooperative, provided checks and cash to its officials. The officials, in turn, allegedly gave the money to Senator Muskie's campaign committees.

Mr. Russell then would be reimbursed from A.M.P.I. corporate funds, the Government said.

Mr. Nelson and David L. Parr, former A.M.P.I. special counsel, earlier pleaded guilty to charges, in connection with \$360,850 in illegal campaign contributions to members of both parties in the 1968, 1970 and 1972 elections.