

Colombo, Released In Bail, Joins Group Picketing the F.B.I.

Joseph Colombo Sr., released on bail from the Nassau County jail yesterday afternoon, joined a group of demonstrators from the Italian-American Civil Rights League in picketing the Manhattan headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the early evening.

Colombo, described by Federal authorities as the head of one of New York City's Mafia families, showed up in a hooded parka at about 6:45 P.M. He joined about 50 demonstrators—the number later grew to more than 100—who were picketing the F.B.I. building at 69th Street and Third Avenue.

Marching along Third Avenue with Italian and American flags, the protesters carried placards. One said: "Hoover the anti-Italian vacuum."

Colombo was arrested and jailed Friday in the theft of 750,000 in jewels from the Long Island Diamond and Jewelry Exchange in Garden City three years ago.

County Court Judge Paul Kelly, who remanded Colombo to jail without bail at the request of the District Attorney, released him yesterday in \$25,000 bail on the basis of a report from the County Probation Department.

His treatment in jail, Colombo said, was "all right," but "it was very unfair that they did not give me bail the first day." Colombo is to be sentenced Thursday on a perjury conviction.

Two of Colombo's sons, Anthony and Joseph Jr., were among yesterday's demonstrators. Joseph Colombo Jr. said they were protesting the tactics of the Federal Anticrime Task Force. He said the picketing would continue indefinitely each weekday from about 4 P.M., the time at which it started yesterday, until 9:30 P.M.

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