

Fresh Ideas

FBI Will Get New Image

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Acting Director L. Patrick Gray III says he will run the FBI with "a clear difference in manner and style" from that used by J. Edgar Hoover.

"I don't consider myself as an interim or caretaker director," Gray said in an interview yesterday, two days after his surprise appointment by President Nixon to succeed Hoover.

In addition to making the agency more receptive to changes and fresh ideas from within, Gray said, he plans to open the FBI to greater public scrutiny than it was subject to under Hoover, who died Tuesday.

Within reason, for example, newsmen who call will be able to reach him directly, Gray said, an unheard-of occurrence with Hoover.

On the key question of whether he will be Hoover's permanent successor, Gray said Nixon told him that when the time comes he "will be considered." There were no promises that Gray, a friend since Nixon's days as a congressman, will be

kept on if the President is re-elected in November.

Nevertheless, Gray said, he will proceed as if the job were his for good.

Democrats in the Senate, which must confirm a permanent appointment, say they are anxious to prevent the emergence of a personality as powerful as Hoover became in 48 years as director. The interim appointment is not subject to confirmation.

A balding, oval-faced man who slightly resembles a younger Hoover, Gray says his absolute loyalty to Nixon would permit him to step down cheerfully should someone else be chosen after five months.

Gray, 55, said he had no quarrel with the way Hoover ran the FBI, "but I know I'm a different sort of guy. I have a wife and have raised four kids, Hoover lived alone."

Asked about Hoover's reputation for running the bureau to conform to the director's ideas of what most threatened America, Gray said if that was true, "then I

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Hoover

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WASHINGTON — (UPI)

— President Nixon has named the FBI's new headquarters, being built at an estimated cost of \$126 million, "the J. Edgar Hoover building."

Nixon took the step as a final tribute to the FBI director, who died at his home Tuesday at 77. Hoover was buried yesterday in a private family ceremony at the Congressional Cemetery, about one mile from the Capitol.

The new FBI building complex has been under construction since 1967 and is scheduled for completion in 1974.

will be more responsive to innovative ideas than Mr. Hoover might have been."

In an apparent reference to criticism of Hoover for recent shakeups in the FBI top hierarchy Gray said:

"I'm not a repressive sort — not a hatchet man."

Meanwhile the Washington Post reported several assistant FBI directors were "seriously considering resigning" after Hoover's death but that Gray, "acted to avert a crisis" by assuring them in a meeting Wednesday that the Nixon Administration intends to "maintain the FBI as an institution."