

Hoffa, Lawyer Face Bribery Charges

WASHINGTON — James R. (Jimmy) Hoffa, hunky little bigshot of the Teamsters Union, today faced an indictment accusing him of conspiring and bribing to get secrets of the Senate's racket probes.

Named codefendant with the 44-year-old Hoffa is Hyman L. Fischbach, Miami attorney who in the past has served as counsel to congressional investigating committees.

Chairman McClellan (D-Ark.) of the special Senate committee probing labor union activities said he was gratified at the prompt indictment. He expressed the hope Hoffa and Fischbach will be tried "at an early date."

SEES EXONERATION

Fischbach said in Miami. "When I am tried, I shall be exonerated."

Peron's Boys Await Decision

SANTIAGO, Chile — Six Peronista leaders who fled an Argentine prison will be held in custody while Chile decides whether to grant their plea for political asylum or Argentina's request that they be returned.

The six, who are to be brought to Santiago, have been at liberty in the southern Chilean city of Punta Arenas since escaping Monday from Rio Gallegos prison in southern Argentina. They made a 150-mile automobile dash after fleeing the prison. Argentine sources said they liked their way to freedom.

Argentina asked their extradition on grounds they were jailed for criminal rather than political offenses. The six deny they are criminal offenders. Extradition of criminals is provided under a political asylum convention signed by Argentina and Chile.

One of the six men, Jorge Antonio, a multimillionaire who became a hospital orderly who became a financial adviser to deposed Argentine Juan Peron, is accused of having stashed away 800 million dollars. The others are charged with crimes ranging from misuse of public funds to abuse of power.

Hungary's Boss Goes To Moscow

MOSCOW — Hungarian Premier Janos Kadar arrived in Moscow today and hailed the Soviet Union as his country's "truest and most dependable friend."

The Hungarian official and his party were flown here in a Soviet jet airliner for 10 days of "ideological and economic" negotiations with the Kremlin.

On hand to greet the visitors at key, flag-decorated Vnukovo Airport were Soviet Premier Bulganin, Communist Party Chief Nikita Khrushchev, President Klementi Voroshilov, Deputy Premier Georgi Malenkov, A. I. Mikoyan and Mikhail Suslov and other members of the presidium.

Also present despite the 18-below-zero temperature were some 500 "spontaneous demonstrators" recruited for the occasion. Most western ambassadors boycotted the welcome ceremony.

Kadar and Bulganin reviewed an honor guard and exchanged speeches of welcome with the Hungarian Premier expressing hope the Moscow meeting "will strengthen and solidify our friendship even more."

Plans for loans to farmers, over 10 year periods, at lower than normal interest rates, are being discussed by the British National Farmers Union and the Treasury.

In Germany, many consider a strong herring salad the best antidote to a hangover, Hamburg reports.

He said he had been retained by Hoffa "but not for anything even remotely connected with the accusation."

Hoffa himself rested on his state after his arrest a week ago tonight in which he vowed he was innocent of wrongdoing and said he will "fight this case until I am cleared."

The three-count indictment against Hoffa and Fischbach was returned late yesterday before Federal District Judge Richmond B. Keesh. No date was set for the defendants to answer. Federal prosecutors said there was no urgency since both Hoffa and Fischbach already are under bond.

In brief, here are the charges against Hoffa and Fischbach, with the maximum penalties, if convicted.

1. Conspiracy to bribe, conspiracy to obstruct operations of the McClellan committee, and conspiracy to defraud the United States "of and concerning its legislative and governmental functions and rights." Five years in prison, a \$10,000 fine, or both.

2. Bribery by giving John Cye Cheasty, a member of the committee staff, \$2,000 "to influence and induce him to divulge" committee secrets and to turn over documents, papers and memoranda from its files; three years

plus three times the amount of the bribe. The FBI says Cheasty reported the alleged bribe and cooperation fully in the investigation leading to Hoffa's arrest.

HEAVY FINE, LONG TERM

3. Obstructing and impeding the committee's "due and proper exercise of the power of inquiry." Five years, a \$5,000 fine, or both.

The Senate committee's investigation so far has been concerned chiefly with allegations that West Coast officers of the Teamsters Union misused union funds and trafficked with vice and corruption in the Pacific Northwest.

Hoffa is a vice president of the Teamsters Union and head of its Central States Conference with headquarters in Detroit.

Hoffa has been pictured as second only to President Dave Beck in power within the union, and some say that as a behind-the-scenes operator he might even eclipse the boss. The committee is waiting anxiously for Beck to appear, and committee aides said it was planned also to question Hoffa.

"CERTAIN PAPERS"

The indictment set forth that March 12 Cheasty gave Hoffa

"certain papers and records" of the committee after Hoffa had hired him to get a job with the committee for that purpose.

When Hoffa returned them later the same day, the indictment went on, Hoffa remarked that "it looked like Beck's goose was cooked if that is what they have on Beck." Hoffa expressed a desire to get more information of the same character, the indictment added.

The bribery count alleged that Hoffa and Fischbach gave Cheasty \$2,000 on March 12 "to influence and induce him" to feed them information on committee activities.

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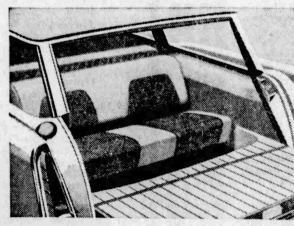


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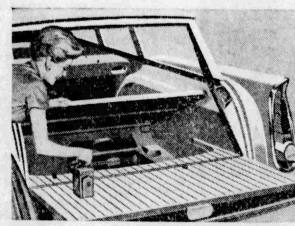
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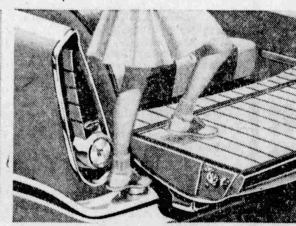
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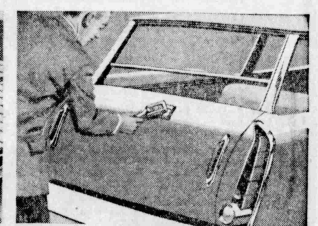
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