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CHICAGO-ONLY IN AMERICA. SPIES CAME IN FRO
OPENLY DISCUSS THEIR BUSINESS-THE ESSENCE OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO AND AMERICAN BAR
UNUSUAL TWO-DAY CONFERENCE ON CONGRESSIONAL
INTELLIGENCE. THE STARS WERE A WHO'S WHO OF
ALTHOUGH MANY COLLEAGUES, GIVEN THE ESSENCE-
NEVER ATTEND SUCH A GATHERING.
NOT SO LONG AGO, THE CONCLAVE WOULD HAVE B
BIG-SHOT CIA OR FBI OFFICIAL MIGHT APPEAR (W
BEFORE A CLOSED SESSION OF A CONGRESSIONAL C
AN OPEN UNIVERSITY FORUM.
NOW, THERE ARE DOUBTS ABOUT OUR INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES THAT RIVAL THE DOUBTS RAISED BY THE JAPANESE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR WHICH LED TO CREATION OF THE CIA. FURTHER, EVENTS SUCH AS A COUP D'ETAT IN CHILE AND A BREAK-IN OF A ROOM AT THE WATERGATE HAVE RAISED QUESTIONS ABOUT INTELLIGENCE EXCESSES.
THE AIM OF THE CONFERENCE, ARRANGED BY CHICAGO ATTORNEY MORRIS LEIBMAN, WAS TO "DEFINE THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY AND THE CONGRESS, THE JUDICIARY AND THE PUBLIC THROUGH LEGISLATION."
IF IT DIDN'T OFFER ANSWERS ON SEVERAL RELATED MATTERS-INTELLIGENCE CHARTERS, THE ROLE OF THE JUDICIARY AND CONGRESS IN INTELLIGENCE OR THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW VS. THE NEED FOR OPERATIONAL SECRECY-IT REVEALED DISPUTES THAT MAKE THE DEBATE AS CONTENTIOUS AS IT IS IMPORTANT. AN EXAMPLE:
"THE NEW YORK TIMES OFTEN PRINTS, WITH APPALLING FREQUENCY, CIA INFORMATION," SAID AN UNHAPPY DANIEL B. SILVER, GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE CIA.
"LEAKED FROM WHERE, DO YOU THINK?" SNAPPED FLOYD ABRAMS, COUNSEL TO THE NEW YORK TIMES.
"WE HAVE OUR SUSPICIONS," RETORTED AN UNSMILING SILVER.
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AN OPENING DINNER FEATURED CHICKEN, GREEN BEANS, ARTICHOKE HEARTS, PINOT-CHARDONNAY-MACON AND FRANK C. CARLUCCI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CIA.

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