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Baker Probers Ask FBI Data On German Beauty's Actions

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The Senate Rules Committee investigating Bobby Baker has asked the FBI to tell it all about the exploits of the German beauty, Ellen Rometsch.

A 27-year-old brunette who once had influential friends, Mrs. Rometsch suddenly was rushed out of the country last year, reportedly because of "personal misbehavior."

By requesting a full FBI report about her, the Rules Committee has indicated that it now may explore the question of whether party girls were used to influence legislation or promote questionable deals.

Heretofore in the Baker investigation, the senators have created the impression that they regarded this subject as irrelevant or forbidden.

But, as on several occasions, the committee last week was pulled into a new area of inquiry by Sen. John J. Williams, R-Del.

Williams secretly obtained and forwarded to the committee a copy of an FBI interview with another German girl who for a while lived with Mrs. Rometsch in Washington.

When Rules Committee coun-



MRS. ELLEN ROMETSCH
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sel Lennox P. McLendon questioned Williams about the FBI report of the interview, the Senator intimated that he already had and expected to receive still more evidence about party girls.

Williams stressed that if the committee did not investigate their role in the Baker case, he would.

McLendon then asked the FBI to inform the committee what it learned during the extensive investigation of Mrs. Rometsch it made last year.

Customarily, the FBI refuses to show its files to anyone outside the Justice Department.

However, the Justice Department has copies of FBI reports and, if it chose, it could provide them or a summary of them to the committee.

Don B. Reynolds, another important witness who will testify, is believed to know much about the activities of Mrs. Rometsch and other women who thus far have been kept in the shadows of the Baker case. When he is interrogated in open session Tuesday, it is possible that some of this knowledge will spill out into the public record.

Shortly after Mrs. Rometsch and her husband, who then was a German Air Force sergeant, were sent home, she vanished. Correspondents have been unable to locate her in Europe.

In preparations for resumption of hearings, committee staff members on Friday privately questioned Williams and Reynolds for nearly three hours.

The committee hopes it can end the latest series of hearings by Saturday.

Republicans hope that enough new evidence will be developed to force continuance of the hearings indefinitely.