Senator Sam **Ervin Says:**

WASHINGTON-In recent onths, with each new disabout federal data nks and their collection, torage and use of information about citizens, public ncern has grown about the dual privacy and constitu-

tional rights. The Constitutional Rights Subcommittee, of which I am chairman, has received countersons all over the country urging that the subcommittee schedule hearings to consider the impact of these data programs upon individual rights.

In early September, the subcommittee scheduled a new series of hearings on this subject for early October, but it soon became apparent that the pressures for action by Congress on end-of-the-term legislation required postponement of these hearings. At the present time, it is anticipated that these data bank hearings will be held in late February.

The purpose of the hearings is fourfold: First, to learn what government date banks have been developed; second, how far they are already computerized or automated; third, what constitutional rights, if any, are afected by them; and, forth, what overall legislative controls, if any. are required. Recordkeeping is as old as

ecorded history, and there is othing new in the fact that covernments and societies enage in surveillance, blacklisting, and subtle reprisal for inpopular political or social views. Men have always ad to contend with the mempries of other men. In this country, however, we are blessed with a Constitution which undertakes to secure to all citizens certain rights of privacy, and this applies to the arbitrary use of record. keeping and information power of government against the individual.

In spite of these guarantees, the advance of technolgy has been quietly, but steadily, endowing officials with the power which accompanies computers and date banks and scientific techniques of managing information. The computer has low given the government the power to take note of anything, whether it be right or wrong relevant to any purpose or not, and to retain it forever. It is unfortunate, but true, that this revolution is coming about under outdated laws and executive orders governing the recordkeeping and the concepts of privacy which are relevant to another era.

Consider these facts: The Civil Service Commission maintains a "security file" of more than two million cards in electrically powered rotary cabinets. Its larger "secarity investigations index' contains more than 10 million cards relating to personnel investigations made by the commission and other agencles. The Department of the Army and other military departments have stored vast amounts of personal data on individuals which is said to be relevant to possible civil disturbances and subversion. The Secret Service has cre ated its computerized data bank to protect high government officials from harm and to protect federal buildings from possible damage. The Bureau of Customs has installed its control data processing intelligence network which contains records about suspects entering the United

No one would deny that the government of such a populous and complex society should not avail itself of the efficiency offered by computers and scientific data management techniques. Govemmental agencies must, as Congress has charged them, quire, store and process onomically the information obtains from citizens for administrative purposes to deal with a mobile society and the misdeeds of indivi-duals who resort to violence and who violate the law.

All of this is to simply say that we must update our laws to keep in balance the need for information and the use to which it is put. This is the area of concern as the ommittee seeks to examine data bank surveillance,

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Q. How much does it cost teenager, the costs of his is a vital part of being a re- come bracket, planning a to raise a child to age 16? "necessities" total over \$1,000 sponsible parent, and some- small family will mean that Thomas Earl Jordan, Jr., some 40 per cent is spent on pregnancy.

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