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Judge Joseph A. Sprankle Jr. Inent will rule on the motion Jan. 10, Beggs in the case agains! Louis G. Crest J MacKenzie, 41, of Pasadena, and David Robert La Fond of Los Angeles, addres Both were indicted on one rested

count of conspiracy and four selling counts of using an electronic device without the authorization

of the telephone company. Charles E. Bitner, chief spe-cial agent for Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., said the pair manufactured and sold complicated electronic "tone generators" which deactivated the phone company's automatic billing mechanism, then completed long distance calls,

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