Spotlight On The Spotlight

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The Oklahoma City bombing has focused new attention on The Spotlight, the weekly newspaper of the extreme right-wing Liberty Lobby. The paper has promoted the idea that Zionist agents manipulate the government.

Police sources say chief bombing suspect Timothy McVeigh advertised in The Spotlight under his alias "T. Tuttle" and used a long-distance calling card bought from the paper.

NEWSWEEK has learned that McVeigh -- or perhaps an accomplice -- may also have tried to alert Spotlight editors before the blast. The day of the bombing, the editors received a postcard depicting a black dust storm over Oklahoma, postmarked two days earlier in Oklahoma city.

The editors say they gave the card to the FBI and have no connection to McVeigh or to the bombing.