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Mr. George Bush
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Dear Mr. Bush:

Thank you very much for replying to my letter of protest at the developments in our Republican Party.

I do appreciate very much your interest in the situation and the attitude you take toward it.

I still am utterly surprised that the Republicans in party power could not in some way have discerned the things that President Nixon and his aides were doing. Those aides were not good Republicans nor were they in any sense politically responsible.

Thus, I think the members of the Republican National Committee should have intervened at some time.*

I know that we hesitate to criticize the President but there surely was great need for it. More than a year and a half ago, I corresponded with some very large contributors to the Republican Party who are friends of mine and gave them my criticisms of President Nixon and I think those criticisms amounted to about an eight point indictment. One of my friends added four more points to my indictment and another expressed the enormous distrust of the President. How could all this have escaped the members of the Republican National Committee and why are they so timid when the President is on the wrong track?

In my field of economics, the President has made horrendous mistakes. He has in the past signed and approved three tax cutting bills when we were having inflation. Where was the Republican National Committee and its policies at such a time? He has now proposed a tax reform bill which has \$600 million of tax reductions in it at the very time that we are having the sharpest increase in inflation.

* I think I should quote Edmund Burke here: "Evil is advanced when good men fail to act."

Only Nelson Rockefeller all the way, and William Scranton part of the way, opposed Barry Goldwater, sure to go down to defeat. And then Benjamin Franklin's advice should be handed on to our Administration's members:

Regardless of morality that policy is wisdom. "Honesty is the best policy"

Mr. George Bush
Republican National Committee

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I think the Republican National Committee should devote about as much attention to giving advice to good policy to the Party and to the President as it does in raising money.

I did contribute, in my own modest way, twice last year and I still feel very sad about it. //

But I do appreciate your own personal point of view and I hope the National Committee will speak out bluntly where things are done in error by our leaders.

Very sincerely,


Arthur Upgren

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The One & Only Nixon

By WILLIAM V. SHANNON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21—When Richard Nixon ran for the Presidency four years ago, he benefited from the political equivalent of the statute of limitations.

It was tiresome, everyone agreed, to keep bringing up all that old stuff about how Mr. Nixon distorted Jerry Voorhis's record in 1946 or how he and Murray Chotiner smeared Helen Gahagan Douglas as pro-Communist in the Senate campaign in 1950.

Since Joe McCarthy was in his grave, did it really matter any more all the nice things Mr. Nixon used to say about him or that he borrowed and refined so many of his techniques?

So it was that in 1968 the newest of the many new Nixons was allowed to strike a statesmanlike pose. Voters forgot his brutal misdeeds of the 1940's and 1950's.

But, of course, veteran politicians rarely alter their characters or their convictions. Like the rest of us, they are what they are and can hardly begin being much different at age 55. So Mr. Nixon has been the kind of President that everything in his earlier career had foreshadowed.

Mr. Nixon was elected on a "pledge" to end the war, but voters might have done better to recall that in 1954 he had urged American intervention to save the French in Vietnam and that as recently as 1967 he was saying that Vietnam was "the cork in the bottle of Chinese expansion." We might then have been able to foresee that under Mr. Nixon another 20,000 Americans would die in Vietnam, that today the Paris peace talks would still be stalled, that more bombs than ever would be falling on Vietnam and that the war would still be on the front pages.

Or consider character assassination. In 1952, Mr. Nixon denounced the members of the Truman Administration for their failure to stand up to Communist China. He described Governor Stevenson as "Adlai the appeaser . . . who got a Ph.D. from Dean Acheson's College of Cowardly Communist Containment."

In 1969, the same Mr. Nixon sent Vice President Agnew out to defame Averell Harriman. In 1972, he sent H. R. Haldeman, his White House chief of staff, on a television interview show to say that Senator Edmund Muskie and other critics were "consciously aiding and abetting the enemy"—a very slight paraphrase of the constitutional definition of treason.

Then he had Herbert Klein, his Director of Communications, characterize Mr. Muskie as "bolting beyond the bounds of criticism and dissent."

Having orchestrated this smear campaign, Mr. Nixon naturally then came forward, wringing his hands, and said, "I do not question the patriotism or the sincerity of those who disagree with my policies to bring peace. . . ."

In 1956, Vice President Nixon took partisan credit for the Supreme Court's school desegregation decision. It had, he said, been achieved under the leadership of "a great Republican Chief Justice, Earl Warren."

The man who made that remark became the President who has turned every Supreme Court vacancy into a political field day. When the Senate quite properly refused to confirm G. Harrold Carswell of Florida for the Supreme Court, President Nixon distorted a question of personal incompetence into "an act of regional discrimination."

"I understand the bitter feeling of millions of Americans who live in the South," Mr. Nixon declared, presumably hoping to profit from any "bitterness" he could whip up.

In his first national campaign in 1952, Mr. Nixon was shown to be the beneficiary of a secret \$18,000 fund subscribed by a clique of Southern California businessmen. Twenty years later, he begins this campaign as the beneficiary of a secret \$10-million fund subscribed by wealthy donors whose names he refuses to divulge.

Mr. Nixon entered political life with political lawyer Murray Chotiner as his gray eminence. In 1956 a Senate investigation showed that Mr. Chotiner was engaged in influence peddling. He seemed to recede into the background, and, in 1958, Mr. Nixon told Stewart Alsop, "It was a tragedy that he [Chotiner] had to get involved in the kind of law business that does not mix with politics."

Tragic or otherwise, when Mr. Nixon arrived in the White House so did Mr. Chotiner. He is busy in Washington today practicing the "kind of law business" he always has, doing secret political chores for the President and acting as a conduit for hot political money from the dairy lobby and other special interests. With him in the Nixon entourage are a number of other political fixers, wiretapping hatchmen and propaganda peddlers, as seedy a crowd as ever surrounded any Chief Executive.

In the 1950's, young Mr. Nixon was imitating Joe McCarthy and playing for the McCarthyite vote. In the 1970's, mature President Nixon is imitating George C. Wallace and playing for the Wallaceite vote.

Four more years?

Some Pointers on How The Rich Stay Rich

By Philip M. Stern

WASHINGTON — John D. Ehrlichman, Mr. Nixon's top domestic lieutenant, has floated the notion that "there is no way" of raising large amounts of revenue through loophole closing other than through "digging into the average taxpayer's exemptions or charitable deductions and mortgage credits (sic)." That is sheer demagoguery and contrary to the facts.

The fact is that huge amounts of revenue—far greater than the \$15-billion of alleged Congressional "over-spending" to which Mr. Ehrlichman refers could be raised by closing loopholes that mainly benefit the rich and the large corporations.

For example, according to a computerized analysis of tax returns by two Brookings Institution economists, about \$14 billion would be raised annually in a single stroke—by taxing capital gains on the same basis as earned income (with a system of income averaging to avoid unfairly high taxation of gains accrued over a period of years). But capital gains are the almost exclusive province of the wealthy (half of all such gains go to the richest six families in every thousand and nearly two-thirds go to the richest 3 per cent of families). So evidently closing this loophole has little interest for Mr. Ehrlichman or his employer.

Nearly \$6.5 billion would be raised simply by repealing two major tax favors for corporations — the investment tax credit and the asset depreciation range. But that would take away enormous tax advantages enjoyed mainly by the huge corporations and apparently that has little appeal for Mr. Ehrlichman and his employer.

More than \$21 billion would be

raised by abolishing the privilege of filing joint returns by married couples—a little-questioned feature of the tax law that grants the lion's share of its benefits to wealthy married couples. Less than 3 per cent of the benefits of joint-return filing go to the 46 per cent of families who make \$10,000 or less.

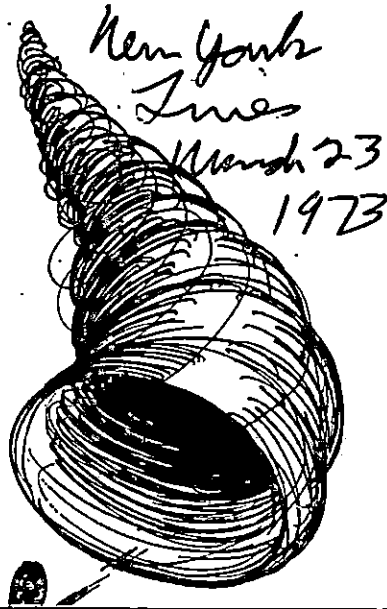
But Mr. Ehrlichman seems determined to divert attention away from those facts. He would lead the public to believe that the only way to raise substantial revenues through tax reform is to attack the few preferences that accord any benefit to the average taxpayer.

He refers, for example, to the personal exemption. But he fails to mention how even that feature benefits the rich more than the poor—that a top-bracket Mellon or Rockefeller gets \$525 of benefit for each personal exemption—five times the \$105 of benefit accruing to the lowest-bracket ghetto-dweller. That inequity could easily be erased—and nearly \$2 billion of added revenues raised—by substituting a \$150 flat tax credit to each taxpayer and his dependents instead of the present discriminatory personal exemption. Just such a change has been suggested by many Congressional tax reformers. But neither Mr. Ehrlichman nor his employer proposes any such reform.

Mr. Ehrlichman also talks of "digging into" the charitable deduction and the mortgage interest deduction. That is effective scare talk that will doubtless arouse the fears of homeowners and of churches, colleges and other charities. But it does very little to illuminate the question of legal tax-dodging through the loopholes with the benefits that flow to the well-to-do. The fact is, according to the Brookings analysis, that \$11.5 billion of "tax welfare"—tax benefits from the use of tax loopholes—go to families making more than \$100,000 a year. Nearly \$19 billion of such tax welfare goes to families making more than \$50,000 a year, and added billions go to the huge corporations.

I call these "tax welfare" payments, because the effect of these tax favors on the U.S. Treasury, on budget deficits and on the rest of the taxpayers is identical to the effect of handing direct welfare checks to these wealthy families and corporations. In either case, the recipients end up richer, the Treasury ends up poorer and the rest of the taxpayers have to make up the difference.

If Mr. Ehrlichman and his employer are really concerned about \$15-billion of "over-spending," let them propose ending these billions of tax welfare for the rich. Once that's done we can all talk sensibly about personal deductions and exemptions.



Nixon's Tax Reform Bulky and Defective

By ARTHUR UPGREN

To vie with Watergate, the new "Perils of Pauline" serial which comes on once a day instead of once a week, President Nixon is pushing forward new measures, sending Henry Kissinger to Moscow and other places.

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doubtful constitutionality), property relief for the elderly, and additional tax breaks for the oil industry.

The final result would be a cost, not revenue net, to the Treasury of \$600 million of revenue. And this while we are suffering from a speeding up of inflation.

It is a curious fact that the Administration cannot see that inflation operates precisely as a sales tax. We pay more for food which normally we try not to tax. But inflation taxes it severely.

BY HAVING a tax fairly spread over all of us according to income, we would avoid the heavy inflation tax on those families with lower incomes and transfer, according to ability to pay, some of the tax to those with higher incomes and those who spend a much smaller proportion of their incomes on food.

That fact makes inflation a regressive tax. A graduated tax according to income is a progressive tax or at least it could be proportional.

So the Administration's tax record continues to be a sad and dubious record. Perhaps the Congress will improve it in the year and a half that it will be going thru the Congressional mills.

The tax law to be enacted to carry out these changes could decide whether or not the debentures should be treated as income (as they would be if sold by the shareholder upon receipt) or treated as capital gains at the time the shareholder may hold them and sell them later.

● Let the rates of taxation on personal incomes be adjusted so that the taxes passing to the Federal government would be equal in amount to the present tax receipts derived from the present corporation income tax.

5 Modest Proposals

By ARTHUR UPGREN

SEC's Chairman G. Bradford Cook and the Wall Street Journal are now greatly worried about the disappearance of the small investor and the resulting shrinkage in funds flowing into investment. That common stock averages have not gained in more than five years and higher commission rates for buying stocks have been discouraging to the small investor.

At the same time the New York Times is worried about "skimpy tax reform" as recently proposed by President Nixon.

ed which should please these three authorities and add greatly to the fairness of the tax system.

The proposed plan works out this way:

● Let the corporation income tax be abolished.

● Let the corporation pay to its owners, its shareholders, all of its earnings, or if there may be indeterminate bookkeeping let it pay 90 percent of its earnings to its owners.

● Let the corporation withhold taxes on these dividends according to the rate, or bracket, of taxable income as

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NOW A PLAN can be propos-



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Dear Dr. Upgren:

Thank you for your letter which you wrote in response to a Sustaining Membership Program mailing. I also appreciate your sending along copies of your editorials which appeared in Miami newspapers.

What has become known as the Watergate affair is of grave concern to all Americans, and especially Republicans. From the very beginning I have been speaking out against this miserable business. But I don't believe the Republican Party nor the Republican National Committee should be blamed for the illegal acts of a few misguided individuals. I believe that as a result of investigations now in process justice will prevail; the guilty will be punished and the innocent vindicated.

All our efforts here at the RNC are geared toward building and strengthening the Party and electing a Republican majority to Congress in '74. We cannot succeed without your help. I would be pleased if you would reconsider and support the Sustaining Membership Program. I'll do my level best to merit that support.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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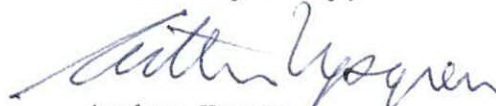
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Gentlemen:

While I have been a loyal Republican, I am just afraid the
Republican leadership has been disloyal to me.

It, therefore, seems that for some little time in the future
you should not solicit for new funds in light of the horrible
uses of some of the funds and the very poor accounting you have
made of past funds. *

Yours very truly,


Arthur Upgren

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* How did our party and your
organization allow things
to get so out of control.

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Upgren On Economics



Balancing Act Forecast

Dr. Arthur Upgren addresses the luncheon meeting of the Tiger Bay Club Tuesday, April 24 at the Dupont Plaza Hotel. The meeting is open to the public and tickets can be purchased at the door.

By ARTHUR UPGREN

Perhaps the two slowest things to move, aside from a bullock cart on Madeira Island, are glaciers and the Common Market on trade policies with the United States.

A year ago in this column the headline was "Europe Must Lower Trade Barriers." None of my European economist friends anywhere agreed with that. But like the glacier they are moving slowly towards accepting the principle.

To be sure, Giscard d'Estaing the French Finance Minister did accept the principle of "Symmetry." By that is meant that countries with surpluses in their trade accounts with another country, say the United States, have as much respon-

sibility to correct that imbalance as have the deficit countries.

IN THE PAST the responsibility was deemed to be largely that for the deficit country. But if it took thoroughly adequate action, and that action would cause enlarged unemployment, even the surplus countries know that that is entirely unacceptable.

Arthur Burns, Secretary of the Treasury, lectured the French and others two years ago in Montreal. They accepted the principle later at the Interna-

tional Monetary Fund meetings in Washington the following September. Then they started welsing on their views. But now some progress is being made with very sensible help from the British.

Ridicule of the economic foolishness perpetrated for political gain by farmers in France and Germany may nudge the Common Market over to lower their tariffs and trade barriers which bear heavily.

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upon our agricultural exports.

AN EXAMPLE of how dollar devaluation coming with the upvaluation of the yen is now afforded by the price increase just announced for the Japanese cars brought into this country. The price increase on the Datsun is \$340. This higher price may encourage greater sales of the lower cost American cars such as the Vega and the Pinto.

The effect here by these changes in currency values is about equivalent to raising a tariff by about 17 percent against Japanese cars imported by the United States. And devaluation and upvaluation of other currencies such as the yen works as a tariff against all imported goods whether or not they were ever subject to tariffs.

BUT WE have a long ways to go. In 1971 the surplus of imports was \$2.1 billion. And that was the first deficit in our foreign trade since 1888. Then in 1972 this deficit increased to \$6.3 billion. And had not the prices of our agricultural exports risen this deficit would have been \$9.3 billion.

We are still running a deficit of large amount but in the last month the deficit in our trade with Japan was cut in two. So devaluation of the dollar, assisted by upvaluation of foreign currencies, and further assisted by reduced tariffs and trade barriers by our trading partners should, finally bring our trade accounts into balance.

NOTE: The experts in the Department of Agriculture now agree there will be no repetition of the wheat deal which has given Russia wheat at about one-half the price we are now paying here at home.

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May Trigger Recession in '74

Capital Outlays Seen Threat

By ARTHUR UPGREN

That a recession is on the way has been the conclusion of economist Lawrence R. Klein of the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania.

His conclusion is based on new figures he has compiled showing that our total industrial plant is operating at 94 percent of capacity. And he gives further power to forces now operating from the side of the Federal budget. In the budget he finds that even if we were operating at the level of full employment, the budget will have a deficit of \$18 billion.

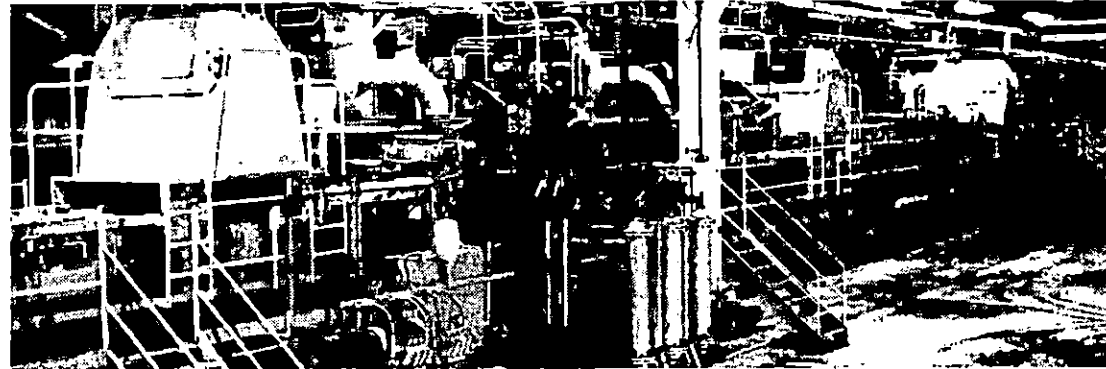
That means the government is spending that much more than its revenues, even though the revenues would be those it would

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us boom. Then we had a new injection of funds for housing. So we had a boom from 1955 to 1957. Prices advanced 8 percent and profits were at their highest levels.

As a result business increased its plant investment from \$29 billion in 1955 to \$38 billion in 1957. Here was the further impetus to boom. Then as the plants were finished more goods flowed forth; many prices at wholesale were lower and profitability declined more than 10 percent. That gave us the recession of 1958. Now plant investment fell back to \$29 billion in that year. So we see we have more goods and less income. That brought on the recession. It was perhaps our best model.



Economists fear the sharp advance in capital outlays this year can produce a recession

take in with full employment. This Klein finds to be a powerhouse towards inflation. And such an inflation will end in recession.

BUT THERE is still another

force that will produce recession probably in 1974. That force derives from the sharp advance in the capital outlays of business this year. They are going to be increased by \$17 billion and 19 percent from the level of last

year. This is the most typical force towards recession and here is the reason why:

When capital expenditures go

A NOTE SHOULD be added that a recession is not the deep decline we had in 1873, 1884, 1893, 1907, 1921 and 1933. Those declines were the result of the complete collapse of the money supply. In 1970 this almost happened again after the fall of the Penn Central and the jam Chrysler got into during June, 1970, when it needed more than \$500 million in a few days to take up that amount of commercial paper.

This time the Federal Reserve did the proper thing. They saw to it that money was fully available as they had not done in 1920 and in 1933. Thus it took the Federal Reserve 50 years to learn their most important function, namely "to be a lender of last resort."

By that is meant making money available when economic storm clouds are hitting all over the land. That they did in June, 1970 and confirmed their true first function in the statement over nation-wide TV by Arthur Burns, its chairman:

"We are going to provide liquidity, and adequately, and be a lender of last resort." The right policy was confirmed with these words.

up by \$17 billion that much money is paid into the total income stream. That enlarges spending power of all construction workers and suppliers.

But no increased goods flow forth until the new plants are completed and that commonly takes two and a half years. So we have more money and no more goods. Prices tend to go up as they are going up right now. And that makes profitability for business very good — as it is right now.

Then in two and a half years the plants are completed; more goods flow forth; prices are not quite so good and profitability is reduced. But the plant expenditures are then reduced as a result. So we have the coming on of the recession with more goods and not such a large increase in the flow of incomes.

HERE WE SEE the most typical business recession of all. The almost perfect model was during the recession of 1958. Here is how that one developed:

First we had an immensely good automobile year in 1955 when we put the two finest gadgets ever put on an automobile in a single year. These two were power steering and 26 months to pay. They gave

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He Doesn't Let Him Reston Peace

Now that the presidential election is over, "comment on the commentators" is in order. To this end, I have selected only two newspaper commentators, namely, James Reston and Cyrus L. Sulzberger, both of the New York Times.

Reston's name adorns the top of the Times masthead on the editorial page, so he is important in that kingdom. Sulzberger is a relative of the boss, Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, president of the New York Times.

Reston and Sulzberger had columns in the paper the day before the election so this was their ~~main~~ comment. The Times ~~much~~ earlier in the cam-



Upgren on Economics

By Dr. Arthur Upgren

paigned came out editorially for Sen. George McGovern.

Dealing first with Sulzberger, we find him the pre-election day saying: "President Nixon merits victory tomorrow," and he took this position "because of his carefully conceived and executed diplomatic program." Sulzberger's conclusion was: "I

therefore hope Nixon will be given the thumping majority he deserves of American voters."

Now that is straightforward and clear. It is precisely the opposite of the editorial position of the New York Times, James Reston and Tom Wicker their leading columnists. Whether this is a case of seldom-seen

editorial freedom for their writers or because of his relationship with the Times president, I will leave to the reader's opinion.

NOW LET US deal with Reston. To paraphrase Marc Antony, "I came to bury Reston, not to praise him." Reston says that Nixon would win and that this is easy to believe and that "it is much harder to believe" that the people will give him the greatest popular election of this century.

The reader may decide whether the election outcome sustains Reston's view. But when Reston gives his reasons for his position he moves to

quicksands. These are the emergence of a new silent majority, "we got ours so let them (the blacks and the poor who have been left behind) get theirs."

Then Reston moves to much less valid reasons for criticism of President Nixon. These are that he failed to define his programs for the next four years. This seems to me most invalid criticism of a man who has been "on the record" for four years, who has recently vetoed many bills and who has had a definite and positive budget policy which is so badly needed after his own past budgetary failures.

FINALLY Reston asserts: "In addition the presidential power is now unbalancing the whole American system of a government of equal and separate powers . . . and effectively dominated Congress on the war, changed the balance of the Supreme Court by his appointments, and mounted a major offensive against the press whenever it has questioned his tactics and policies."

Shades of Congressional overriding of vetoes, Haynesworth and Carswell nominations and the apparent inability of the press to defend itself so that it must cry "Uncle."

On the war issue Reston must

have forgotten the public vote in San Francisco strongly supporting the war and Sen. Ful-

bright's reply to a query a few years ago of why he no longer fought the war issue. That reply was: "We just haven't got the votes."

WHEN MCGOVERN was recently privately queried on the cause of the failures of his campaign to make progress he is quoted as replying: "It was Eagleton and that lousy \$1,000."

Two final, and I am sure biting comments, come from William Buckley and Patrick Henry. Buckley, debating on TV with Kenneth Galbraith, asked why if his pro-McGovern arguments were so good, couldn't McGovern do better.

From Patrick Henry there is a quotation that may have some hints for guidance to Wicker, Reston and Galbraith: "Caesar had his Brutus, Charles the First his Cromwell and George III may profit by their example. If this be treason, make the most of it."

I guess the best conclusion is: "The American people done it to 'em."

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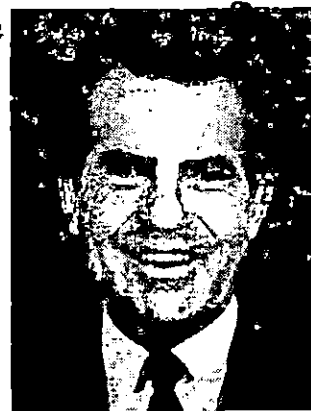
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BY HAVING a tax fairly spread over all of us according to income, we would avoid the heavy inflation tax on those families with lower incomes and transfer, according to ability to pay, some of the tax to those with higher incomes and those who spend a much smaller proportion of their incomes on food.

That fact makes inflation a regressive tax. A graduated tax according to income is a progressive tax or at least it could be proportional.

So the Administration's tax record continues to be a sad and dubious record. Perhaps the Congress will improve it in the year and a half that it will be going thru the Congressional mills.

The tax law to be enacted to carry out these changes could decide whether or not the debentures should be treated as income (as they would be if sold by the shareholder upon receipt) or treated as capital gains at the time the shareholder may hold them and sell them later.

Let the rates of taxation on personal incomes be adjusted so that the taxes passing to the Federal government would be equal in amount to the present tax receipts derived from the present corporation income tax.

5 Modest Proposals

By ARTHUR UPGREN

SEC's Chairman G. Bradford Cook and the Wall Street Journal are now greatly worried about the disappearance of the small investor and the resulting shrinkage in funds flowing into investment. That common stock averages have not gained in more than five years and higher commission rates for buying stocks have been discouraging to the small investor.

At the same time the New York Times is worried about "skimpy tax reform" as recently proposed by President Nixon.

ed which should please these three authorities and add greatly to the fairness of the tax system. The proposed plan works out this way:

- Let the corporation income tax be abolished.
- Let the corporation pay to its owners, its shareholders, all of its earnings, or if there may be indeterminate bookkeeping let it pay 90 percent of its earnings to its owners.
- Let the corporation withhold taxes on these dividends according to the rate, or bracket, of taxable income as

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Arthur Upgren



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Urbain, Mike
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May 16, 1973

Mr. Mike Urbain
4808 N. W. 9th Street
Plantation, Florida 33313

Dear Mike:

I was so pleased to receive your recent letter, and to learn that even though you are not yet of voting age you are a loyal Republican and working for the Party.

While I share your concern relative to the Watergate matter, I really believe that more and more people are coming to realize that the Republican Party is innocent of any complicity in this affair. I have every confidence that as our judicial processes progress, Watergate will be put in its proper perspective.

I think your bumper sticker ideas are great and I am bringing them to the attention of Miss Barbara Wells, National Director of the Teen Age Republicans here in Washington. I know she'll be as pleased as I am to know of your affection for the Republican Party.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

bcc Barbara Wells

GB:RZ:jj

MAY 1 1973

Mike Urbain
4808 NW 9th Street
Plantation, Florida
33313

George Bush
110 1st Street S.E.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Bush:

As I write this letter to you, I referring to your position as head of the Republican party.

Right now I am not eligible to vote because of my age, but that has not kept me from working with the Republican party. I am a active member in the Broward County Teen Age Republicans, I work on Nixons campaign, and attended the inauguration.

But people down here that are loyal Republican are worried about the future of our party, because of this dumb Watergate affair.

We know that it was not

the Republican party itself, but
the committee to elect the president.
Even though we know that the
majority of the public doesn't
realize that.

We all know that something
has got to be done to restore the
public faith in Republicans.
We have thought of some things
that Republicans can do.

Why can't the party put
out bumper stickers to the effect
of. I am proud to be a Republican,
you are behind a Republican,
Another Republican family, etc.

Once did all a better
that said Republicans are great.
I don't know if the national
Republican party or if it was
the local group.

My TR group would be happy
to help in any way to restore
the prestige that has always gone
along with our great party

Sincerely yours
Mike Maki

Ussery, Mrs Stephanie
8
Watergate

July 6, 1973

Mrs. Stephanie Ussery
10931 Hazen
Houston, Texas 77072

Dear Mrs. Ussery:

Thank you for your letter about the Watergate affair.

I'm sorry if my comments were interpreted as meaning that the American people are apathetic about Watergate. My intention ~~was~~ simply to say that most people, at least those I encounter in my travels and meetings around the country, have put this matter in the proper perspective. Deplorable as it is, the wrongdoing of a few misguided individuals should not ~~obscured~~ the otherwise fine record of this Administration, nor should it detract from the urgency of other issues and problems confronting the country.

I am particularly concerned, Mrs. Ussery, at the many judgments which are being made about the President and others in the Administration before all the facts are in. Our judicial process is based on the premise that everyone should be considered innocent until proved guilty in a court of law. I feel very strongly that this principle should apply to public as well as private citizens. Indeed, men and women in public office are the most vulnerable to the ravages of hearsay and innuendo, and I think they -- including the President -- should be given the utmost protection of their rights. I have not seen any facts supportable in a court of law which would dispute the President's statements that he was not involved in this Watergate mess. I believe him. Whoever ~~was~~ responsible for Watergate did not serve the President well, and I think it terribly unfair to hold him responsible for the breach of faith by the people around him.

Mrs. Ussery

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July 6, 1973

I do appreciate your writing, and I fully support your belief that all the facts should be brought out and that the investigation should go forward unstintingly. But until that process has been completed and the courts have spoken, I will support the President and continue to believe his statements. I think he has a proud record of achievements in his four years in office, and I hate to see that record clouded by Watergate.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/EO

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Mrs. Stephanie Ussery
10931 Hazen
Houston, Texas 77072

May 21, 1973

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Dear Mr. Bush,

Please excuse the informality of this letter, but I feel that you should be informed of my opinions (as well as those of all other Americans). I was very deeply disturbed by your recent statement that the American people are not concerned by the Watergate situation and that there are more important things for us to worry about. The validity of the later is undebatable, but you err greatly in your assumption that we are blaise. I, for one, have voiced by concern to my congressmen. I am sure that many other concerned citizens have not because they assume that their elected officials were put in office to pursue truth and justice. This apparently is not the case.

Let me also state my opinion of the Watergate. I am sure that this is hardly the first episode of political espionage in this country. Nor are the Republicans the only culprits. But I do not find these valid excuses. It is certainly possible that such things have also happened in previous administrations. That, however, is past history. We should concentrate on investigating Watergate now in order to determine whether the men at the head of our government at the moment are competent. This is vital.

I am shocked at the far reaching implications of this "third rate burglary." The story of the incumbent administrations shady tactics apparently dates back to early in Nixon's presidency. It is both fascinating (for its audacity) and appalling. It indicates incredible disrespect and contempt of the law and the American people. I personally feel that my rights jeopardized by a President who has hypocritically sworn twice to uphold the Constitution and the laws of the land. Nixon and his associates have attempted to "pull the wool" over the eyes of us all with his law and order jargon. It is ironic that a President who was elected for his conservative views should be involved with, and possibly responsible for, such gross violations of the law, not only where Watergate is

concerned. These violations include the Pentagon Papers trial and the Charles Manson case; in the impounding of funds, the usurpation of legislative powers, the killing of OEO, and the bombing of Cambodia. He has openly violated the principle of separation of powers. These are indeed areas of greater concern and gravity than Watergate.

I am aware that you are no longer an elected official and that you are not responsible for Watergate or the actions of the President. However, I feel that when you publicly underestimate the impact or the meaning of Watergate you do us all a great injustice. This should be a time for saving our form of government and our integrity. This should supercede party loyalties and even personal loyalties to the president. It does for me-it should for you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Stephanie Ussery

cc/su: President Richard M. Nixon

*Van Antwerp, Mildred
Watergate*

April 24, 1973

Mildred Van Antwerp
1732 Blue Bonnet Drive
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Ms. Van Antwerp:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of March 30. I very much appreciate knowing your views about the Watergate affair.

I agree with you to a degree that the Watergate incident has been blown out of proportion, but at the same time I think the connotations of this for our political system are very serious. Certainly the President's announcement of full cooperation with the investigating committee indicates his distress and concern over the charges that have been made, as well as his sincere desire to clear the matter up once and for all.

I concur wholeheartedly with your suggestion that the best way we can all contribute to morality in government is to set the proper example. Unfortunately the good examples set by the majority of our public servants are often overlooked or overshadowed by a few very bad examples.

Thanks so much for your kind words. I'm finding this job very exciting and challenging, extremely hectic, and just a bit frustrating -- which means I'm delighted to be back in the political arena!

Thanks again for sharing your views with me.

Yours very truly,

George Bush



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MILDRED VAN ANTWERP

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

1732 BLUE BONNET DRIVE

PHONE TE 8-2555

FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76111

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APR 3 1973

March 30, 1973

Mr. George Bush,
Republican National Chairman
Republican National Headquarters
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

Re: Opinions

Every spring during the tax season, I break out with a rash of compulsion to communicate opinions. It may be a form of escapism from the hard discipline of income tax work. I've cut my morning newspaper perusal short in order to have time to write you, Senator Scott, and President Nixon a few such lines.

An AP Dispatch from Washington this morning (Star Telegram) reads "Bush Brands Watergate 'Grubby' Affair." and quotes Senator Scott as having said "the general public seems to be dismissing the matter as a quarrel between political parties...those of us whose profession is politics are deeply disturbed at any development which taints the political process."

I think Senator Scott and all politicians should take their cue from the attitude of the "general public", which, after all, is not devoid of common sense. This is not to say that we condone wrong-doing. But Watergate should be Water Under the Bridge by now. There is absolutely nothing to be gained by a persistent effort to discredit the President and his aides. There is no other man in the world today with the international prestige of Nixon, and he has demonstrated a competence in office that is also of magnitude value. We have suffered enough fraud here in our Texas government within the last two years to know that WATERGATE is not, alone, going to destroy confidence in politics. And to the point, here, Republican Agnich of Dallas has been the key figure in preventing political reform measures in Austin this session. The reaction of my clients to the voluntary filing of Form 4875 (enclosed) has been "No, I don't think I want to do that." Even when I have explained that it will cost them nothing, and that it should result in Presidential Candidates being more free from big-contributor pressures. They say, "I don't know at this time whether I would want to contribute to the Democratic or the Republican Party in 1976. It all depends upon the candidate." And they reject the Non-Partisan General Account as well.

MILDRED VAN ANTWERP
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
1732 BLUE BONNET DRIVE
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Nixon speaks to this majority, and I think the best thing you and the other Republicans can do is to support him. And the best way each of us can contribute to more morality in government is to look to the "mote in our own eye" and set an example. Emerson says that is the only way anyone can teach. So tell the Young Republicans this. Nobody has a monopoly on virtue. I do not observe any more honesty, any less greed in the poor, the uneducated, than in the affluent and the educated. We simply find it more convenient to attack our own weaknesses when we see them displayed in others. There are more significant, positive issues for them to concern themselves with. Give them some imagination - don't acquiesce in their pre-occupations.

I was in the audience of a TCU Ex-Alumni meeting a few years ago when you addressed the group at the Fort Worth Club. I was impressed with your wholesome look, intelligent attitudes, and general objectiveness. I am happy you are Chairman of the Republican Party and I look for great things for you. But the Old-Guard Republicans have never captured my affections and if they don't rally around and support Nixon, they are not going to be able to elect anybody. (an opinion).

Yours very truly,

Mildred Van Antwerp

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October 16, 1973

Vander Jagt. Hon Guy
is
Getting Watergate
out DDP message

The Honorable Guy Vander Jagt
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Guy:

Thank you for sending along that helpful letter from your constituent regarding getting the message out to Republicans on Watergate and getting Watergate in its proper perspective. Many of us have been trying to do that here, but the suggestions that your constituent made were very helpful.

Warmest personal regards.

George Bush

GB/hc

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GUY VANDER JAGT
9TH DISTRICT, MICHIGAN

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

October 12, 1973

OCT 15 1973

Mr. George Bush
Republican National Committee
310 First Street S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear George:

I thought you might be interested in seeing a copy of a letter I received from a constituent who is offering some ideas for "getting the message out" to Republican party members.

With best regards.

Sincerely,



Guy Vander Jagt
Member of Congress

GVJ:sr

Sept. 27, 1973
Muskegon, Mich.

My Dear Congressman:

Of late I am receiving urgent letters from the Finance Committee for financial support to the party.

I'm aware of the urgency of our loyalty but the money can do little good as long as even loyal members are duped with the false conviction that Watergate bugging was a crime instead of a patriotic endeavor, a disgrace instead of extensive protection to make sure our defenses are safe. Same goes for Ellsberg's Office.

Such a letter as Gov. Reagan constructs ought to be in the hands of every Republican as well as every good Democrat for Nixon - those who voted for Nixon. Both these classes have been tragically duped with the lies television has sounded on their ears, the Democratic papers have clouded their eyes with that Watergate bugging was a crime. It was not a moral crime. It was a patriotic endeavor to safe guard our defenses.

They should also be informed about all the bugging the Democrats did in the past. Let them see what hypocrites they are to put the GOP to trial while they perform the same acts, or have done so in the past. Let them know of all the moral corruption of this party. Of Kennedy's affair, Jane Fonda, the Bay of Pigs, dumping of voting machines for Nixon, of all the acts of violence by their youth groups, demolishing of buildings.

It would cost very little if one good form letter were placed in the hands of every local GOP chairman and these chairmen could make several copies of it to hand out to their members, and these members make copies on their office typewriters to mail out. In this way it would get spread around. Also, the daily papers have a view point column. Urge GOP members to write on views in them. Church papers is another source of publication. I have written 3 articles in the Church Herald, some in the daily paper defending our views. Only one other woman writes in this column in defense of Nixon.

The point is each individual member can do much much more than just discuss the matter.

Sincerely,

I pledged \$40. to the campaign, have sent some of this in and intend to send more soon. However, money alone will not do it. Each must do all he can to bring about the truth of Watergate.

*van der Voort, H.F.
8
Watergate*

July 31, 1973

Mr. H. F. van der Voort
7297 Darien Drive
Hudson, Ohio 44236

Dear Mr. van der Voort:

Thank you for your letter of July 21. I appreciate your sharing your views with me.

I can assure you that we in no way condone this Watergate ugliness. It was deplorable, stupid, illegal, wrong, and a sordid mess in my estimation, and I've been saying so publicly ever since I became National Chairman.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/EO



From

H. F. VAN DER VOORT

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TO:

Mr. George Bush

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Dear Mr. Bush,

The "First Monday" should not be used to defend Watergate. This deplorable action cannot be condoned nor its investigation belittled by:

- 1.) Agnew's criticism
- 2.) Democratic sins
- 3.) Kennedy pleas
- 4.) Slaps at the press
- 5.) Anarchist tactics of some Americans.

If the Republican Party cannot assume a mature,

From,

H. F. VAN DER VOORT

19__

TO: _____

righteously outraged posture
at evil in the white house,
cancel my mailings of first
Monday and seek financial
support elsewhere.

H. F. van der Voort

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7297 Darien Drive
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310 1ST St. S.E.
Washington, D.C.
20003

Van Driest, Dirk
8
Watergate

July 6, 1973

Mr. Dirk Van Driest
P. O. Box 1871
Taos, New Mexico 87571

Dear Mr. Van Driest:

Thank you for your letter of June 21 about this Watergate mess. I appreciate your sharing your thoughts with me.

I agree with your feelings that this sort of thing has happened before and that a lot of the publicity on it looks like an attempt to implicate the President. I do feel very strongly, however, that the full truth must be brought out. I just hope all the investigators and the news media keep in mind the American judicial premise that everyone should be considered innocent until proved guilty. I think when all the facts are known, the President will be vindicated and the handful of misguided individuals who broke the law will be punished.

Yours very truly,

George Bush



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DIRK VAN DRIEST

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21 JUNE 73

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THE HON. GEORGE BUSH,
CHAIRMAN REPUBLICAN NATL COMMITTEE,
310, FIRST ST. S.E.,
WASHINGTON D.C. 20003.

SUN 25 REC'D

SIR,

THE DEMO'S ARE STILL AT IT : TRYING BY HOOK AND BY CROOK TO DISCREDIT EVERY PRESIDENTIAL MEASURE , AND THE NEWS MEDIA HELP THEM ALL THE WAY. THEY HAVE BLOWN-UP THE WATERGATE-AFFAIR OUT OF PROPORTION INTO A SCANDAL. THEY DO NOT TALK ABOUT THE REAL SCANDALS DURING THE TRUMAN AND DURING THE JOHNSON-ADMINISTRATION. SCANDALS THAT COST THE STATE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THEY DO NOT TALK ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE LEADER OF THE DEMO'S SOUGHT CONTACT WITH HANOI WHILE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WERE AT WAR WITH THAT COUNTRY !!!!!!! THIS AIDING AND ABETTING THE ENEMY USED TO BE CALLED TREASON !!! IS NOT IT ABOUT TIME THAT THIS FRIEND OF FLAG_BURNERS AND THEIR COMRADES BE PUT ON TRIAL ? SAME GOES FOR THE FEMALE SENT TO HANOI BY THIS SAME MAN THE FEMALE , WHO TRIED TO CORRUPT G.I.'S IN S. VIETNAM BY RADIO , AND WHO LATER HAD THE GALL TO CALL "LIARS" THE RETURNED P.O.W.'S WHO REPORTED "TORTURE" !!!!! ABUSE OF FREEDOM AND PERMISSIVENESS GO HAND IN HAND, ENCLOSED FRONT-PAGE OF U.S. NEWS & WORLD-REPORT SHOWS IN RED "WILL IT WORK" CASTING DOUBT IN THE PUBLICS MIND , INSTEAD OF "LET'S HELP TO MAKE IT WORK" DO THESE CLEVER (????) NEWS-MEN REALLY THINK THEY ARE DOING A SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ?

THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION .

VERY SINCERELY

Dirk Van Driest
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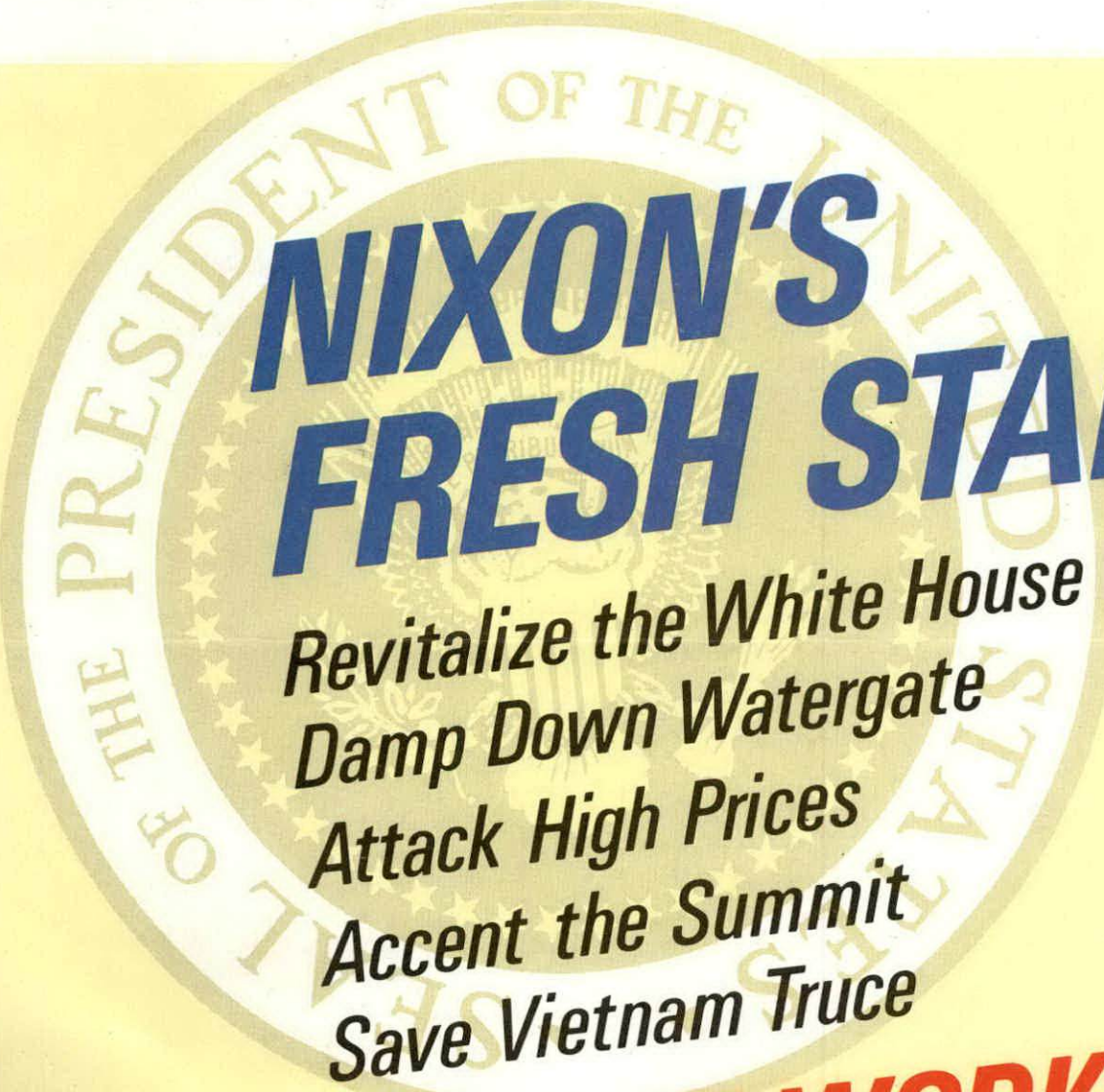
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THE HON. GEORGE BUSH,
CHAIRMAN REPUBLICAN NATL COMMITTEE,
310. FIRST STR. S.E.
WASHINGTON D.C. 20003.



April 5, 1973

The Honorable George Bush
Chairman, Republican National Committee
Washington, D.C.

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APR 9 1973

Dear Sir:

The manner in which certain people are trying to discredit the Republican Party by blowing small incidents such as the "Watergate case" out of all proportions makes me sick, and probably has the same effect on many other people.

One wonders, if such outspoken leftists should be financially supported by the Government of the United States.

A lot of McGovern-types are or were around in the Aeronautics Department of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

Professor Lester Lees, for example, who gave a speech on the CalTech campus, condemning President Nixon's war-shortening move into Cambodia in 1970, now receives Government support for his Environmental Quality Laboratory at CalTech. In 1970/71 he bungled two other Government contracts, No. DA-31-124-ARO(D)-33 from the Air Force, and Training Grant No. 51343 from NASA, maybe because he was so preoccupied with attacking President Nixon. Similarly, Dr. E.E. Zukoski, another CalTech leftist, apparently could not keep his mind on his work, as shown in the near-total failure of the mixed-jet windtunnel project. Dr. Hans W. Liepmann, whose enclosed letter reveals that he, too, would have liked to see President Nixon defeated, is now trying to get the U.S. Navy to make a contract with CalTech, which would primarily benefit McGovern-supporters there, whose mental kindred are so viciously attacking the Republican Party.

I am hopeful, that the Government will make its contracts with more deserving people.

Yours Respectfully,

G. Van Halewyn

G. Van Halewyn,
Republican

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Pasadena, California 91106

MRS. EMMETT A. VAUGHEY

4300 old canton road, jackson, mississippi 39211

JULY 9, 1973

JUL 12 REC'D

DEAR MR. BUSH,

ENCLOSED IS A LETTER I WROTE TO SENATOR
MIKE MANSFIELD.

SINCERELY,

Nancy B. Vaughey
(Mrs. Emmett A.)

RECORDED
MRS. EMMETT A. VAUGHNEY

4300 old canton road, jackson, mississippi 39211

JULY 9, 1973

DEAR SENATOR MANSFIELD,

WE ARE ALWAYS BEING URGED TO WRITE TO OUR SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES, AND I HAVE BEEN ADVISED TO WRITE TO YOU AS LEADER OF THE SENATE AS YOU ARE INFLUENTIAL IN APPOINTING THE CHAIRMEN OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES.

THE FIRST OF LAST WEEK THE NATIONAL MEDIA AND REUTERS STATED THAT SENATOR ERWIN IN A SPEECH IN NORTH CAROLINA SAID THAT PRESIDENT NIXON WAS "THE MOST REPRESSIVE PRESIDENT THIS COUNTRY HAS EVER HAD."

IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THIS IS A MOST UNBECOMING PUBLIC REMARK FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WATERGATE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE. THE PURPOSE OF THIS INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE WAS TO INVESTIGATE THE WATERGATE BREAK-IN AND ITS SUBSEQUENT COVER-UP. IT HAS DEFINITELY NARROWED DOWN TO WHETHER THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS INVOLVED. ALMOST ALL THE SENATORS OF THE COMMITTEE HAVE SO STATED.

AFTER SUCH AN OPINIONATED PUBLIC STATEMENT, CAN THIS CHAIRMAN REALLY FULFILL HIS DUTY TO SERVE IMPARTIALLY ON A HEARING INVOLVING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES?

IF, AS THE COMMITTEE SAYS, THEY ONLY WISH THE AMERICAN PUBLIC TO HEAR ALL THE TRUTH AND JUDGE, THEN SHOULDN'T SENATOR ERWIN READ HIS

STATEMENT AT THE HEARING AND EXPLAIN WHETHER HE
STILL CAN CONDUCT IMPARTIALLY? THE PUBLIC WILL
THEN BE HEARING ALL THE TRUTH AND CAN JUDGE.

YOUR OWN CAREER IN THE SENATE HAS BEEN NOTABLY
MARKED BY SCRUPULOUS FAIRNESS. I IMAGINE YOU ALSO
FEEL THAT THE SENATOR FROM NORTH CAROLINA HAS BEEN
INDISCREET. IT IS FUNNY AND VERY SAD WHAT A
MICROPHONE AND A T.V. CAMERA CAN DO TO A MAN.

AS A FAIR MAN, SHOULD HE CONTINUE TO BE
CHAIRMAN OF A COMMITTEE SO IMPORTANT TO OUR
COUNTRY'S IMMEDIATE FUTURE?

SINCERELY,

Wm. B. Kaufman
(Wm. B. Kaufman)

P.S. I THOUGHT I SHOULD TELL YOU, I AM SENDING
A COPY OF THIS TO SENATOR ERWIN, SENATOR BAKER
AND GEORGE BUSH.

WBL

Van Halewyn, D.
8
Watergate

April 24, 1973

Mr. G. Van Halewyn
529 N. Catalina Avenue, Apt. #1
Pasadena, California 91106

Dear Mr. VanHalewyn:

Thank you for your recent letter, and I do
appreciate your taking the time to write.
Your views on Watergate are most interesting.

The Administration is aware of the situation
existing in the area of grants, and agrees there
is a definite need for improvement. Every
effort is being made to correct the situation.
Thanks for bringing the matter to my attention.

With kindest regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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June 16, 1972

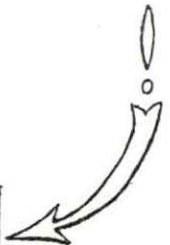
Mr. Gerrit W. Van Halewyn
529 N. Catalina Avenue, Apt. #1
Pasadena, California 91106

Dear Gerrit:

I have been away from the office for several days at a time over the past month and have not had the opportunity to thank you for your letter and congratulations.

I am sorry to say that this is about the worst time to take over a job like mine because the financial situation in the Institute is not the most pleasant one. Therefore I have little to add to Brad's remarks to you, but we will certainly keep you in mind for any position which may open up in the future.

My own guess is that it will take at least until after the presidential elections and most probably about a year before the climate in this country has a chance to change; I hope toward more scientific and technological support.



Sincerely,



H. W. Liepmann
Director, Graduate
Aeronautical Laboratories

HWL/jb

Vaughey, Mrs Emmett
8 Watergate
Letter to Sen Mansfield
re Sen Evans as Chairman
the Watergate Comm

July 13, 1973

Mrs. Emmett A. Vaughey
4300 Old Canton Road
Jackson, Mississippi 39211

Dear Mrs. Vaughey:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Senator Mansfield. I appreciate your sharing it with me.

I think the Senate investigating committee has a legitimate role in searching for the truth, and determining what legislation is needed to prevent such abuses of our political system in the future, but I agree wholeheartedly that it should not turn into a vendetta against the President. What concerns me most is that so many charges are being tossed about without any substantiation other than hearsay and innuendo. I am afraid they will jeopardize the rights of a lot of people, who may have been implicated but who will eventually be proved innocent in a court of law.

Again, my thanks for your good letter.

Y Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/eo

Veysey, Hon Victor
8
Watergate
RNC - CREP separate

August 17, 1973

The Honorable Victor V. Veysey
U. S. House of Representatives
1227 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Vic:

I have received your recent letter, the questions and the clippings from the Riverside newspaper. Thank you for passing these along.

In the last several months I have been interviewed and asked questions similar to those posed by your letter. I am enclosing copies of several of those interviews which you may find useful to send along to your constituents.

The RNC and the Committee to Re-elect the President were separate entities. I have been saying repeatedly that I think the RNC should be the beneficiary of any leftover funds that CREP might have. But we certainly don't want those funds if they are encumbered by the liabilities of law suits against them.

Thanks again for passing these queries along to me.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/TL:kp

VICTOR V. VEYSEY

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August 13, 1973

The Honorable George Bush
Chairman, Republican National Committee
Dwight D. Eisenhower Republican Center
310 First Street, Southeast
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear George:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I received along with two clippings from the Riverside Daily Enterprise. As you will note the writer asked eight questions concerning the relationship of the Republican National Committee and the Committee to Elect the President.

Any comment that you might want to make on this will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



Victor V. Veysey
Member of Congress

VVV/Ges
Enclosure

Hon. Victor V. Veysey
Congressman from California
Longworth Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

P.O. Box 102
San Jacinto, Calif. 92383
Aug. 1, 1973

AUG 7 1973

Dear Mr. Veysey:

Enclosed are two clippings from the Riverside Daily Enterprise on the subject of Watergate. I think the summary by Anthony Lewis--who as a foreigner is able to look at it objectively, and sums the situation up very concisely.

I think the Watergate Hearings are one of the most important hearings ever held in this country and of extreme importance to the people of the United States, And I am very grateful for their non-partisan attitude.

However, one thing has only been touched on very lightly, and that chiefly by Senator Wiecker. Is the Republican National Committee looking into the following:

1. Were the funds that were left over from the 1968 campaign at the sole authority and discretion of the President? It would appear to be so, as they were placed in trust with the President's personal attorney, Herbert Kambach. How much, and how disbursed?
2. Why were not these surplus funds turned over to the Republican National Committee, since they were campaign contributions?
3. Is the Republican National Committee satisfied with the way the funds were handled by the CEP?
4. Since the CEP had 50 million dollars in contributions to disperse, plus the funds left over from 1968, what funds did the RNC have?
5. Did the Republican National Committee concur with the White House that it was right to withhold funds from Southern Republican candidates opposing incumbent Democrats?
6. Will the Republican National Committee request and press for an accounting of the dispersal of the funds carried over from the 1968 campaign, and those collected for the 1972 campaign? Are they not campaign funds, and while it is not necessary to make the collection and dispersal of the bulk of the funds public, should not the Republican National Committee have this information?
7. Or, is the CRP and the Republican National Committee to all intents and purposes one unit?
8. What is the attitude of the Republican National Committee, if it is a separate entity from the CRP, toward the \$5,000,000 suit brought against it jointly with the CRP, by the Democratic National Committee.

If you have listened to the hearings, as I have, were you not revolted by the testimony--especially that of Erlichmann, in connection with his conversation with Dean about L. Patrick Gray, particularly, and also by Haldeman, both of whom appeared to think they, along with the President of the United States, were above the law?

Sincerely,


Edna B. Breen

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No excuse for holding the tapes

Some small corner of Richard Nixon's mind must be crying out, "Make me give up the tapes." It is almost as if he has purposefully painted himself in a corner: There can be no justification for letting H. R. Haldeman, a private citizen, listen when others cannot.

The President has undercut his own case. All the high rhetoric about separation of powers and personal executive papers, about preservation for historical purposes, went out the Caucus Room window when Mr. Haldeman revealed that he had heard two recordings, one of which he was allowed to take home overnight after he was separated from his post as White House chief of staff.

Mr. Haldeman's review convinced him of one thing which he's amenable to sharing with the committee: John Dean can't be trusted.

Even Mr. Nixon was more circumspect. When he originally refused the request for the tapes, he acknowledged that certain comments could be interpreted in different lights. Mr. Haldeman is not so charitable.

The two meetings he listened to, those cited by John Dean as the principal source of his belief

that the President knew what was going on, assured Mr. Haldeman that, in fact, Mr. Nixon knew nothing. There is Mr. Haldeman's word for it.

He regrets, however, that he is under presidential orders not to discuss in further detail what's on the tapes. Unfortunately, he says, the notes he took on the conversations are locked in the President's files and beyond committee's reach.

The President has rejected subpoenas for the tapes. He won't let Chairman Ervin, Vice Chairman Baker and Special Prosecutor Cox listen to them privately and sift any subjects not directly related to Watergate. He has rebuffed overtures to permit a preview by a distinguished outsider such as former Republican Sen. John Williams.

But H. R. Haldeman, a private citizen under grand jury investigation, can have access. Not only access but the tapes themselves, surrendered by the Secret Service and played in the confines of his own home.

The President's own people can listen, but no one else. His *and their judgments are absolute*. The rationale is so weak that it seems he wants it to be shot down.

Stonewall John shows his stuff

After five days of this Watergate witness trampling his way through common law and common sense, a psychiatric profile has emerged of John Ehrlichman. He has the skin of a rhino, and the sensitivity to match.

In vain, the committee listened for regrets, for apologies. Others before him have had the grace to show remorse, to acknowledge that "in hindsight" their judgment could have been better. Some confessed to crimes, while all appeared chastened by the experience. Mr. Ehrlichman is made of sterner stuff.

Confronted with damaging documents, he went ahead as if they did not exist. Unshaken by former friends and associates putting him deep in Watergate, he dismissed their testimony almost off-hand, with the same certitude that took him so high in the White House.

He insisted that his every act was legal, proper and ethical. Sworn statements to the contrary did not faze him, any more than such ancient charters as the Hippocratic Oath or Bill of Rights got a good word from him.

He could not comprehend objections to stealing another man's medical files. He saw nothing wrong with dangling the FBI directorship before the Pentagon Papers judge. He couldn't understand why some senators think the Fourth Amendment means what it says — a guarantee against unreasonable search and seizure in good times and bad.

It was enough to drive the "great constitutionalist," as Richard Nixon has called Sam Ervin, up the walls. Rolling out citations from the saints to William the Pitt, the senator tried to impress upon the witness that a president is not a king. The lecture had all the effect of a colonialist petition to the court of George III.

Where Mr. Ehrlichman had his chance to lecture was on the evils of legislators falling under the influence of drink. This genuinely concerned him. It was one of his few concerns.

Thus, investigations were commissioned on others' sexual habits, their domestic problems. Edmund Muskie's driver, a man invited to the family home for dinner, was all the time photographing the senator's mail. Techniques that the CIA applies to foreign foes were domesticated. The loyalty of the Loyal Opposition could not be assumed.

During his Fourth Amendment discussions, the witness was asked, almost pleadingly, to confirm that a president's powers did not include murder in the name of national security. He answered that "I do not think I am the one to try to respond to that kind of question as to where the line is."

There, then, is a capsule profile of John Ehrlichman, until recently one of the most powerful men in this Republic: He would not draw a line. Anything went, just don't get caught. When caught, don't back down an inch. The tough will inherit the earth.



ANTHONY LEWIS

From The Daily Enterprise

Worse than the horrors of the Watergate affair is the smugness of those who condone it

LONDON — Looking at Washington from a distance in these days of serial horror, one is struck by a generality even more devastating than the particular disclosures of crime and arrogance. It is the failure of the men who committed these acts to show the slightest consciousness of wrongdoing.

Consider some of the things we have learned in recent weeks — matters not subject to factual dispute:

— The President of the United States taped every sound in his office for years, betraying others' expectation of confidence and denying himself the dignity of privacy.

— At the direction of the President, his chief domestic aide offered high federal office to a judge than presiding in a controversial criminal trial of great political interest to the President.

— White House agents broke into a psychiatrist's office to steal the records of a patient who was being prosecuted in that trial, after the FBI had requested the records in a lawful manner and the doctor had properly refused them.

— American planes bombed Cambodia for 14 months without the knowledge of the public, of Congress, of the civilian head of the Air Force or of its vice chief of staff. False official reports were made on those raids, and apparently on others in Laos.

— American soldiers led combat patrols in Laos in violation of a specific legal prohibition voted by Congress and signed by the President.

No apology has been voiced for any one of those acts. Far from it. They have been defended at the highest level

as necessary, authorized, constitutional and proper.

The unrepentant attitude has been on public display in the face and words of John Ehrlichman. In essence his position has been that anything is within the power of the White House if it declares a national security interest. When a senator asked whether murder was permissible along with burglary, Ehrlichman replied that he did not want to draw the line.

Such obliviousness to the reality of wrongdoing raises disturbing questions.

Do these men have personality defects that make them literally unable to distinguish between right and wrong? Do they reflect some terrible new flaw in American society, in our family life and education? Or may the world military role of the United States, and the power concentrated in the White House, inevitably produce a tendency to hubris?

There can be no definitive answer to such mysteries. But Americans must be concerned with their society's attitude toward the corruption of power now that it has been so dramatically exposed. And here there are some worrying signs of cynicism.

Too many Americans, including visitors to Europe, dismiss Watergate as the sort of thing "all politicians do." They do not, and it would be death in a democracy to assume that they did. Then there is the reported inclination of leading Democrats to keep Richard Nixon in office until 1976, so it will be easier to beat any Republican then. Merely to state that proposition is to know how unworthy a response it is to a crisis of confidence in government.

Another troubling idea in the air is that we must get back to government business as usual. Both Time and Newsweek last week conveyed, with a ring of Establishment approval, a call by Henry Kissinger for a sort of Watergate ceasefire to let the Nixon foreign policy go forward. "We could come together on the fundamentals," he was reported as saying.

The fundamental that Kissinger has never understood is respect for the institutions of democracy. The foreign policy of which he has been a principal author has operated too often with open contempt for Congress and law. And for truth: After 14 months of secret bombing in Cambodia, President Nixon announced his 1970 invasion in a speech saying that for five years we had not moved against enemy sanctuaries there "because we did not wish to violate the territory of a neutral nation."

When Justice Brandeis said "crime is contagious," he was warning against official crimes, done in the name of the national interest. Recent events have shown how wise he was. Men who wage war in secret find it easy to tap telephones, and justify burglaries, and treat their own wishes as superior to the law made by Congress.

All governments do some nasty things, in foreign affairs especially. But when those things come to light, a decent government treats them as aberrations or disowns them. It does not embrace lawlessness as policy.

What the United States needs now is a cleansing awareness of wrongdoing, not pieties about carrying on the business of government. The only thing worse than Watergate would be cynical acceptance of its values.

New York Times News Service

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Vincent, Mrs Maude
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Watergate

June 26, 1973

Mrs. Maude B. Vincent
1805 Crocker Street
Houston, Texas 77004

Dear Mrs. Vincent:

Thank you for your letter of June 9 about this Watergate situation. I very much appreciate your taking the time to share your views with me.

Let me assure you, Mrs. Vincent, that I agree wholeheartedly with you. I support the President fully. I believe that he had no involvement in the Watergate bugging, and I am convinced he is doing everything he can to bring out the full truth. I am further convinced that only a handful of misguided individuals were guilty of wrongdoing and that the guilty will be convicted and the innocent cleared. I am very pleased by your expression of support for the President, and I think it represents the feelings of most concerned citizens around the country.

I have enclosed the list of Congressmen and Senators which you requested.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/EO/br



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1805 Crocker St
Houston, Texas 77030
June 9 1973

The Honorable Geo Bush
Nth. Republican Party
Washington DC -

JUN 13 1973

Sir:

Don't you read Houston Chronicle?
The two attached citizens, ViewPoint
June 5th is tone all daily letters therein

We do not believe Pres Nixon of
any wrong doing. You Republicans
should stand by him. Now when
he, as Senator James Buckley
said "All Americans should give
all the support the President
now needs and deserves, in these
troubled times."

During Campaign McGovern
and Schlesinger criticized Nixon
for not giving time to his election.
The President was too busy
getting our boys home as POWs
trying to get an honorable peace
& free -

So his campaign for election
as President. (con)

Since we don't believe all Republican
guilty of Watergate, neither
do we believe Pres Nixon had any
thing with wrongdoing -

Why don't you Republicans
get busy holding up Presidents Arms.

Many allege since Witness gave
same information to Justice Dept
and Grand Jury - An Atty Cox to
debate into all Phases -

They allege Senate Committee
is Purely for Publication -

Each of seven men have turn
to ask same questions so each
would be seen before T.V.

Congress cannot build Prestige
and Power by destroying Nixon
all over state and other states

are disgusted with Senate TV. investing

Why make so much to do about
Watergate which hurt no one and no
one died -

and cover up and ignore the
death at Chappaquiddick -

Please send me list of all
Congressmen - Senate & House
and address Sincerely
Mande B. Vincent

June 4, 1973

Watergate Was a Tragedy But Not Chappaquiddick

From E. B. Buffington, 10721 Pillot.

Recently, I was fortunate to hear two knowledgeable and sincere people, Clare Boothe Luce and George Bush, being interviewed on television. Both were high in their praise of the wonderful job President Nixon has done in getting over half a million of our boys and our POWs out of Vietnam and getting better relations and trade with China and Russia. Both are well known for their integrity, and they stated that in their opinion, President Nixon had no prior knowledge of Watergate or the attempted cover-up of same, if such there was.

On the other side of the coin: Sen. Edward Kennedy told the American Society of Newspaper Editors the people of this country and other countries could not have any confidence in American leaders because of Watergate. He told those editors that it is "A traumatic national tragedy and you know its name is Watergate."

Later, in speaking at Syracuse University, Kennedy said that Watergate was a wound that the Senate should supervise an operation on to bring the facts to the people. He did not say anything about an operation to bring the facts of Chappaquiddick to the people.

Democrats Revitalized By Watergate Scandal

From W. Roy Ledbetter, 2622 Werlein.

Thanks for printing the statement made by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, "This is no time to become cynical. Much good may come of Watergate" (The Chronicle, May 29).

I can forgive illiterates but I do not forgive or excuse the educated, the literate, those who say they want the truth and yet who do not read a good daily newspaper. If honest, sincere, open-minded, seekers of truth would only read both sides of this Watergate investigation, they would agree with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Far more wrong and more damage have been done to our country, to our country's relations, and to our security by this attempt to discredit our government and President, than the breakin.

The Democratic Party can be and is thankful for the breakin. The Democratic Party was dead. It was in a state of coma. The breakin brought it back to life. It now is at least breathing. And apparently its only chance to survive is to blackmail the Republican Party.

So much violence - such poverty -
People not safe on streets after
dark and millions of dollars
spent on this proves we need
men in the Senate who care
about their people and their
problems rather than trying to
build prestige & power.

Ed Stanton
1805 Crocker

Voelker, Roy E
Watergate letter
to Ervin, Sen Sam

May 29, 1973

Mr. Roy E. Voelker, Chairman
Mahaska County Republican Central Committee
1510 South 1st Street
Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577

Dear Mr. Voelker:

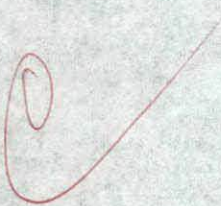
Thank you for sending me a copy of your May 23 letter to Senator Ervin. It will indeed be interesting to note his reply.

Glad you enjoy MONDAY and FIRST MONDAY.
I'll pass on to John Lofton your complimentary remarks.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

bcc John Lofton (w/incoming)



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Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First St., S. E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Mr. Bush:

Enclosed is a letter which I have today written to Senator Sam Ervin, Jr. I thought you might be interested in its contents. I will be awaiting the Senator's reply.

The latest issue of Monday and First Monday are absolutely priceless. John Lofton is doing a commendable job as editor of these publications and it is obvious much research has gone into the contents. I read every word.

Very truly yours,

R. Voelker





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May 23, 1973

Hon. Sam Ervin, Jr.
337 New Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Ervin:

I'm not too smart and all and have only sat in the courtroom for 27 years plus and am from out here in the sticks, but I have a question to ask of you inasmuch as you are one well versed in the law, both constitutional and criminal.

In light of the case portrayed in part on the Xerox copies enclosed (Sheppard vs Maxwell, 86 S.Ct. 1507), can you tell me when indictments are handed down in the future on the Watergate case how the defendants to be are going to receive a fair trial inasmuch as the newspapers, under the doctrine of the public's "right to know" have already formulated the opinion of prospective jurors and the TV "Roman Circus" to which the Supreme Court alluded in the Sheppard case is now taking place?

Anticipatingly yours,

purpose. Cf. 18 U.S.C. §§ 4244-4245 (1964 ed.). If the State wishes to obtain additional evidence for the federal inquiry by examining Rees in its own facilities, we do not foreclose such a supplemental course of action. The District Court will hold such hearings as it deems suitable, allowing the State and all other interested parties to participate should they so desire, and will report its findings and conclusions to this Court with all convenient speed.

It is so ordered.

Jurisdiction retained with directions to District Court.



384 U.S. 333

Samuel H. SHEPPARD, Petitioner,
v.

E. L. MAXWELL, Warden.
No. 490.

Argued Feb. 28, 1966.

Decided June 6, 1966.

Habeas corpus proceeding by state prisoner seeking release from custody. The United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, 231 F.Supp. 37, held conviction void, and an appeal was taken. The Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 346 F.2d 707, reversed, and certiorari was granted. The United States Supreme Court, Mr. Justice Clark, held that failure of state trial judge in murder prosecution to protect defendant from inherently prejudicial publicity which saturated community and to control disruptive influences in courtroom deprived defendant of fair trial consistent with due process.

Reversed and remanded with instructions.

Mr. Justice Black dissented.

1. Constitutional Law ⇐90

Unqualified prohibitions laid down by framers of Constitution were intended to give liberty of press broadest scope that could be countenanced in orderly society.

2. Constitutional Law ⇐90

Freedom of discussion should be given widest range compatible with essential requirement of fair and orderly administration of justice, but it must not be allowed to divert trial from very purpose of court system to adjudicate controversies, both criminal and civil, in calmness and solemnity of courtroom according to legal procedure.

3. Criminal Law ⇐857(1)

Jury's verdict must be based on evidence received in open court and not from outside sources.

4. Habeas Corpus ⇐85.2(1)

Burden of showing essential unfairness in criminal trial as demonstrable reality need not be undertaken when television has exposed community repeatedly and in depth to spectacle of accused personally confessing in detail to crimes with which he is later to be charged.

5. Criminal Law ⇐633(1)

Extensive newspaper, radio and television coverage of criminal trial, together with physical arrangements in courtroom itself for news media, deprived defendant of judicial serenity and calm to which he was entitled.

6. Criminal Law ⇐633(1)

Court has power to control publicity concerning criminal trial.

7. Courts ⇐72

Courtroom and courthouse premises are subject to control of court.

8. Criminal Law ⇐635

Presence of press at judicial proceedings must be limited when it is apparent that accused might otherwise be prejudiced or disadvantaged.

9. Constitutional Law ⇐267

Due process requires that accused receive trial by impartial jury free

from outside influences. U.S.C.A.Const. Amend. 14.

10. Criminal Law ⇨693(1), 1134(3)

Given pervasiveness of modern communications and difficulty of effacing prejudicial publicity from minds of jurors, trial courts must take strong measures to ensure that balance is never weighed against accused, and appellate tribunals have duty to make independent evaluation of circumstances.

11. Criminal Law ⇨126(1), 591

Where there is reasonable likelihood that prejudicial news prior to trial will prevent fair trial, judge should continue case until threat abates or transfer it to another county not so permeated with publicity.

12. Criminal Law ⇨918(1)

If publicity during proceedings threatens fairness of trial, new trial should be ordered.

13. Criminal Law ⇨633(1)

Courts must take steps by rules and regulations that will protect their processes from prejudicial outside interferences, and neither prosecutors, defense counsel, accused, witnesses, court staff nor enforcement officers coming under jurisdiction of court should be permitted to frustrate its function.

14. Criminal Law ⇨633(1)

Collaboration between counsel and press as to information affecting fairness of criminal trial is not only subject to regulation but is highly censurable and worthy of disciplinary measures.

15. Constitutional Law ⇨268(7)

Habeas Corpus ⇨25.1(4)

Failure of state trial judge in murder prosecution to protect defendant from inherently prejudicial publicity which saturated community and to control disruptive influences in courtroom deprived

defendant of fair trial consistent with due process and necessitated reversal of denial of defendant's habeas corpus petition. U.S.C.A.Const. Amend. 14.

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F. Lee Bailey, Boston, Mass., for petitioner.

Bernard A. Berkman, Cleveland, Ohio, for American Civil Liberties Union, and others, as amici curiae.

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William B. Saxbe, Columbus, Ohio, and John T. Corrigan, Cleveland, Ohio, for respondent.

Mr. Justice CLARK delivered the opinion of the Court.

This federal habeas corpus application involves the question whether Sheppard was deprived of a fair trial in his state conviction for the second-degree murder of his wife because of the trial judge's failure to protect Sheppard sufficiently from the massive, pervasive and prejudicial publicity that attended his prosecution.¹ The United States District Court held that he was not afforded a fair trial and granted the writ subject to the State's right to put Sheppard to trial again, 231 F.Supp. 37 (D.C.S.D.Ohio 1964). The Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit reversed by a divided vote, 346 F.2d 707 (1965). We granted certiorari, 382 U.S. 916, 86 S.Ct. 289, 15 L.Ed.2d 231 (1965). We have concluded that Sheppard did not receive a fair trial consistent with the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment and, therefore, reverse the judgment.

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Marilyn Sheppard, petitioner's pregnant wife, was bludgeoned to death in the upstairs bedroom of their lakeshore

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1. Sheppard was convicted in 1954 in the Court of Common Pleas of Cuyahoga County, Ohio. His conviction was affirmed by the Court of Appeals for Cuyahoga County, *State v. Sheppard*, 100 Ohio App. 345, 128 N.E.2d 471 (1955),

and the Ohio Supreme Court, 105 Ohio St. 293, 135 N.E.2d 340 (1956). We denied certiorari on the original application for review. 352 U.S. 910, 77 S.Ct. 118, 1 L.Ed.2d 110 (1956).

*Vogeltanz, Caroline
&
Watergate
etc*

April 24, 1973

Mrs. Caroline Vogeltanz
Dwight
Nebraska 68635

Dear Mrs. Vogeltanz:

Your letter addressed to the Republican National Finance Committee has been brought to my attention.

As far as the Watergate is concerned, I am enclosing a copy of the President's statements. I sincerely hope the air is soon cleared and that the positive aspects of the Administration will not be obscured by the ugliness of Watergate.

The abortion question is one of the most controversial and highly emotional issues of our time. You may be interested in a statement made by the President on April 13, 1971 in which he expresses his personal view on the subject. "...From personal and religious beliefs I consider abortion an unacceptable form of population control. Further, unrestricted abortion policies, or abortion on demand, I cannot square with my personal belief in the sanctity of human life - including the life of the yet unborn."

However, as Chief Executive, the President recognizes the separation of powers concept as written in the Constitution. This doctrine states that decisions on laws by the Judiciary Branch shall be followed by the public and members of the Legislative and Executive Branches - thus the President.

I thank you for your interest in these matters. Letters such as yours give us in Washington a better feel for the thoughts and concerns of the voter.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:RZ:jj

Republican National Finance Committee
Sustaining Fund Membership Program

Dwight, Nebr.

Sirs:

During the campaign to reelect President Richard M. Nixon I have been his strong supporter and donated a larger amount than was deductible for income tax, and was happy when he and Mr. Agnew were reelected. But now since the Federal judges legalized abortion January 23-1973 in our own and beloved United States of America, which is an act of murder of innocent unborn humans, and allows many sexual minded people do as they please, immorally and then get rid of the consequences as a matter of course. Without no obligation to God, or any one else.

This I cannot understand. Then why is it a crime to kill a man or a woman or a child? Do these judges have any conscience or feeling for human life? Is that the kind of people we have in the highest office of judgship? Is that what they stand for? We shuddered when Hitler was killing people by millions without mercy. Is this any different in our great society? And nothing is being done to revoke this sinful and immoral act.

And besides I do not go along with the watergate incident. it certainly did not add no honor to the republican party. For these reasons I decided not to support any political efforts especially as long as this legalized abortion is in effect. so save yourself the time and expense by asking me for support

Sincerely, Mrs. Caroline Vogeltang, Dwight Nebr. 68635.

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*Taylor, Mrs George
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Watergate*

August 21, 1973

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

Thank you very much for your recent letter regarding the Watergate and my support of the President.

Enclosed are some of my statements. Please be assured that I have spoken out frequently and consistently in behalf of the President. I am confident that he'll emerge from the sordid Watergate mess unscathed.

Thank you very much for letting me have the benefit of your views. Please feel free to write us anytime to express yourself on matters of interest to you.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Mrs. George Taylor
1007 Lanark Way
Silver Spring, Maryland 20901

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1007 Lanark Way
Silver Spring Maryland. 20901
August 16 1973.

AUG 20 1973

Mr. George Bush Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street S.E.,
Washington D. C.

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Dear Mr. Bush:

I cannot understand why someone in the upper echelon of the Republican Party does not come to the aid of our President at such a time when such support is so desperately needed. What we need is inspired leadership!

I have watched the Watergate hearings on television and am amazed at the number of opportunities that have come up for the Republicans to counter attack the Watergate committee collectively and individually. There is plenty of ammunition available to the Republicans for a full scale offensive. One example is the Senator from Hawaii who, at the end of the testimony of John Erlichman, muttered under his breath "What a liar" which should have disqualified him. He should have been verbally attacked and been removed from the hearings. Nothing was done about it!

I have not heard you come to the defense of our President. The deafening roar of the Watergate Circus was constantly being interrupted by your silence. In this highly controversial issue let us stand and be counted.

I am very much surprised and disappointed that the Republicans don't stand united and fight back. Why don't they initiate a full scale investigation of the Democrats?

A very concerned citizen

Mrs George Taylor
Mrs. George Taylor

August 20, 1913
Watergate

JUL 1 RECD
and
President

Dear Sir:
I think you are an
honorable man and I think
you are in a bad spot as

Chairman of the Republican party
at this time. This Watergate mess
is the foulest political thing
I have ever witnessed in a
long life.

Although the President
perhaps did not know the
details, he sure ^{going} knew there was
some serious ~~dump~~ ^{going} going on, before
the break in. I think he was in
on the cover up from the beginning.
He didn't get the name "Ducky Ducky"
all through his political career
as an ally and got together.
Let me say I have
been a life time Republican
but the present President
actions have caused me on

the party.

This President thinks he is a monarch, not the servant of the people as we conceive of a President in this country. Not even his White House lawyer could get to him personally except through Haldeman. This was ridiculous. R M N. is not a God just an ordinary human being like you and I, who happened to get lucky and was elected President.

I think the fact that the taxpayers have paid over 1 million dollars to renovate his personal property, is a disgrace. They did this under the cloak of security Bologna and bunk. What do gazebos and fancy walks and landscaping have to do with security. Also putting in a new furnace was the Presidents responsibility. He is a leech and a vampire on the tax payers.

He nearly broke his neck trying to get into the

White House, why doesn't he
spend more time there,

3 months and it costs
\$6,000 for him to fly to
California in his new plane

plane and then there are two
trips to London, besides coming
plane fly back and forth

with material for the "thing"
However, he refused bills that
would provide housing for
the poor and aged.

However the White House
must be said that this
incident created an atmosphere

in the White House in
which such things could occur.
It seems to me that
the man who will be
purchased are the ones who
steal the chicken while the

man who stole the chicken

Coop will go free.

It seems to me the Presidents financial deal in the purchase of his residence at San Clemente with millionaire Ablanakap is certainly peculiar and fuzzy.

Personally I would like to see the President impeached.

However, this will never happen but I believe that the "Mills of the Gods grind slowly but they grind exceedingly fine." Everyone will be judged finally and no one not even a President will be exempted.

If I were you I would resign, but of course you have your own thought about this.

Yours truly
John B. Taylor.

Mr. George Bush,

National Chairman
Republican Party
Executive Center
Washington D.C.



Taylor, Ron
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Watergate

August 7, 1973

Mr. Ron Taylor
75 Banff Road
Toronto, Ontario
Canada

Dear Ron:

Pete showed me your great letter. First, congratulations on your job as manager. It sounds like you had great success. Also, I was pleased to see where you're racking up a great record as you polish off the education.

As to Watergate, I'm getting sick and tired of it. The concentration of attention on it is not good for our country as your letter points out, but Watergate was bad. It offended all my values but, Ron, it's totally out of perspective at this point and it's damaging many institutions and I'm afraid it could eventually affect our foreign relations; but maybe we'll be smart enough to figure out a way to get it over with, get the guilty in jail, and go on about the business of making this an even greater country.

It was good hearing from you through Pete.

Best regards,

George Bush

GB/hc



Orig. incoming re'd to
Pete Roussel

Your comments in response to our plea for support of our Sustaining Membership Program have been brought to my attention. I very much appreciate your sharing your views with us.

No one would like to see Watergate cleared up more than I. I don't like it, and I have spoken out openly and publicly against it. I want to see the matter cleaned up and cleaned up promptly. I am glad to know of your concern on this matter. Believe me, I share it.

I am convinced that the President has nothing personally to hide. He has said that his people would answer all written inquiries from the Ervin Committee; he has ordered his people to appear before the Grand Jury; and he is trying to work out some ground rules under which White House people can appear before the Committee. This certainly shows cooperation, but, again, I agree the whole matter must be cleared up.

Please don't lose faith in our political system or the Republican Party. Having served in politics many years in a number of different capacities, I look upon it as a noble profession. Politics is, after all, basic to our free system of government, and my experience at the United Nations, where I worked with representatives of 131 different government systems, reinforced my belief that ours is the best by far.

I can assure you, Mr. Taylor, we also share your concern about inflation. The President is doing everything he can to curb prices, and at the same time reduce unemployment and keep the budget at a workable level. Unfortunately, one of his major problems has been lack of Congressional cooperation. One of the best things you can do to keep government spending down, which in turn will help in the whole economic realm, is to let your Congressional representatives know you are concerned about high prices and government spending and that you hope they will support the President in his efforts

Mr. T. T. Taylor
8240 Fairview Road
Elkins Park, Pa.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

April 11, 1973

Taylor, T. T.
Watergate

Mr. T. T. Taylor

April 11, 1973

to curb inflation and keep the Budget down.

Thank you again, Mr. Taylor, for your good comments. All our efforts at the RNC are geared toward building and strengthening the Party and electing a Republican majority to Congress in 1974. We cannot succeed without your help. I would be pleased if you would reconsider and support the Sustaining Membership Program. I'll do my best to merit that support.

Yours very truly,

George Bush



SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Watergate / Inflation

Yes, I wish to continue as a member of the Republican Sustaining Committee. Enclosed is my contribution for:

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★ \$50.00

★ \$100.00
★ (OTHER)

see other side
Please send me a receipt.

MR T T TAYLOR
8240 FAIRVIEW RD
ELKINS PARK, PA 19117

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I do not want to
continue until
you tell us the truth
about the Watergate
affair, & take more
drastic steps to
slow down inflation

CHRONOLOGY OF TEAPOT DOME

1. Harding elected 1920
2. Teapot Dome lease executed in April 1922
3. November 1922 Congressional elections -- Republicans lost seats but maintained majority in both houses.

Losses were due to general disenchantment of Harding administration.
4. Harding died in San Francisco, August 1923 (on his way back from Alaska)
5. Coolidge succeeded to Presidency.
6. Early in 1924 Congressional hearings began on Teapot Dome scandal
7. Coolidge appointed special prosecutor to investigate scandal.
8. Presidential election November 1924, Coolidge won easily

Peter Russell
1st approach

Then try to

over John W. Davis.

Republicans gained 3 seats in Senate and 22 seats in House.

9. Republican victory generally perceived as due to Coolidge not being tainted with involvement in the scandals.



THE NICK THIMMESCH COLUMN

RELEASE DATE: Tuesday, July 24, 1973

POST 'LIST' DISSERVICE TO COUNTRY

Post list

by Nick Thimmesch

WASHINGTON--In the wake of one of Vice President Agnew's heavy criticisms of the media, Sen. Edward W. Brooke (R-Mass.) once remarked that the press should criticize itself more, and then maybe it wouldn't catch so much outside criticism.

Sen. Brooke was, and is, right. I hereby chastise The Washington Post for recently publishing a list of Nixon campaign workers now holding government jobs and putting the story in the context of the Watergate scandal.

By innuendo, The Post is saying that, despite Watergate, the 95 persons cited are still in government departments and agencies. After all, notes The Post, many who worked in the White House and in the campaign are in legal trouble now because of Watergate, and here are many more still in government.

A man named Joe McCarthy used to make charges like that, and The Post went cross-eyed fighting him. Maybe The Post learned some of Joe's dirty tricks.

Making lists is a dubious practice anyway. That "enemies list," compiled in the White House by some flunky, was a monstrous stupidity.

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Los Angeles, California

Page Two...THE NICK THIMMESCH COLUMN...July 24...stupidity.

So were the lists of "Reds" put together by superpatriots in the McCarthy era. And so is The Post's list today.

The Post is careful not to accuse any of the 95, though it cleverly included Jeb Stuart Magruder and John Caufield, both long ago resigned. Guilt by association? The Post was sensible enough to note that since Andrew Jackson, "every Administration has rewarded its political allies with governmental appointments." The Post, however, published no such list when John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Baines Johnson won their Presidencies. The current list is a precedent.

Who is on the list? Indeed, some first-rate people that any Administration, Republican or Democrat, liberal, centrist or conservative, would eagerly welcome. In fact, at least 98% of the people who worked in the Nixon and McGovern campaigns last fall are highly motivated, hard-working, competent, honest people, and should be commended for helping make our political system work.

Scan The Post's list and one finds Republicans, Democrats, Independents, Catholics, Jews, Protestants, young and old, executive, scientist and clerk. No shame at all. There's C. Langhorne Washburn, who took leave as director of the U.S. Travel Service to become deputy chairman of the Nixon finance campaign.

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He is now back in his old position at the Commerce Department and doing a great job, as the United States experiences a record year in foreign tourists.

Then there's Alexander Butterfield, honest enough to reveal the White House taping activities, who is now the respected head of the Federal Aviation Administration; John Whitaker, an ecology expert, now undersecretary of interior; William L. Gifford, very able in legislative matters, now assistant to Treasury Secretary Shultz; Ann L. Doar, who did public relations in the Nixon campaign, doing the same work now at the Environmental Protection Agency, and Nancy Steorts, who worked in the campaign volunteer division, now a special assistant in consumer affairs at the Department of Agriculture.

I salute all of them for staying in government, which isn't the greatest place in the nation to work anyway. And I salute another on The Post's list, Dr. Clayton Yeutter, who dealt with agricultural issues in the campaign, now an assistant secretary of agriculture, because he's an exceptionally knowledgeable man in this field. He's worked in technical assistance for South American nations and taught at the University of Nebraska.

(MORE)

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"I dislike The Post's innuendo," he told me, "but I expect it in the environment of the moment in this town. We've moved back into the McCarthy period. Anyone who worked in the campaign is fair game, I guess. Citizens should keep Watergate in perspective. The majority of people who work in campaigns, in both parties, have integrity. We're not all in government for a living. We're here to make a contribution to the country."

Henry Kissinger said some weeks ago that there is the atmosphere of the "lynch mob" in Washington these days over the Watergate. The Washington Post, which performed admirably in riding herd on the Watergate story, did everybody named on its list, and the country as well, a disservice with this stunt.

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*Thoerner, Mrs. Margaret
Watergate
Committee*

August 24, 1973

Mrs. Margaret M. Thoerner
585 South Negley Avenue, Apt. 6
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15232

Dear Mrs. Thoerner:

This will acknowledge your letter and I appreciate your taking time ~~out~~ to give me the benefit of your thoughts in relation to a number of issues and especially your reference to the Senate Select Committee investigating Watergate.

In view of your interest, I am taking the liberty of enclosing some recent articles from our headquarters on this very subject.

Frankly, every once-in-awhile we do receive a letter which gives us all a real lift and yours certainly comes within that category.

I do hope you had an opportunity to hear both the President's and Vice President's recent press conferences and if you did I am sure you concur with me that their participation would meet with the general approval of the rank and file of Americans.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Enclosures

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M. M. Thoerner

AUG 20 REC'D

585 So. Negley Ave., Apt. 6, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232

August 18, 1973

Dear Mr Bush,

I'm writing to you because I just don't know where to go to give my opinions and ask questions. I always wrote to Mr. Dole who was very kind and responsive to my letters.

Last week I heard that a poll was being taken about two questions -

1. Do I have confidence in the president or not
2. Should the Senate Committee hearing be continued on TV or not.

I don't understand The Harris and Gallup polls. Last week they came out with this - 31% have people have confidence in President Nixon. They stated that they had interviewed 1400 people. Is that a fair analysis?

M. M. Thoerner

585 So. Negley Ave., Apt. 6, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232

I am 74 years old and no one has ever asked me for my opinion.

I think President Nixon is getting a dirty deal. No wonder he retreats more and more within himself. The day after day hounding he has been receiving for past 6 or 8 months is ridiculous. Whether I am saying it or not I think the News Media has done the damage. Wonder how they would feel if it happened ^{to} them. They have ruined President Nixon's character, reputation and integrity. I'm for President Nixon all the way.

Now to answer the questions:-

- { 1. Confidence - loads of it. - Yes.
- { 2. TV discontinued - Yes, by all means.

It has been very damaging.

In behind Vice President Agnew also. Would make a wonderful President.

Sincerely,
Margaret Thoerner

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Watergate
clips*

April 24, 1973

Mrs. Margaret M. Thoerner
585 S. Negley Avenue, Apt. #6
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15232

Dear Mrs. Thoerner:

Thank you for your letter and the newspaper
clippings. I was most interested in their
contents.

I am sure President Nixon is deeply grateful
for your loyalty and support, especially during
these trying times.

I am also sure Senator Dole enjoyed hearing
from you from time to time.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB:RZ:jj



M. M. Thoerner
585 So. Negley Ave., Apt. 6, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232

April 18, 1973

Dear Senator Bush

I wanted to send these to someone to express my feelings about the Watergate affair, so I chose you.

During the election campaign, I mailed clippings to Senator Dole every two or three weeks and he always responded with a letter mentioning the articles. Of course I realize he didn't write them personally but he did sign them and made comments about the articles. Have sent some to Senators Scott and Schweiker, also. But they responded with letters which didn't answer my note.

Very sincerely
and

Thanks for your time

Margaret M. Thoerner

P.S. I think the Democrats and the News Media are too critical of our fine president, Mr. Nixon. 100% for him

Letter to Editor with which I agree

The People Speak

I Say Stick With Dick Nixon

To Reva L. Brenneman in The People Speak of April 12, I say, "Stick with Nixon and there will be no next time." He is not about to involve us in another war after straining his guts and his brains to extricate us from one he had nothing to do with starting.

As for the red carpet treatment given returning POWs, would you be happier if they were simply returned to their former duty without even a thank-you?

JAMES K. TRUXAL
Pittsburgh

Want to Know Why Watergate Bugs Me?

I am fed up with hearing about the so-called Watergate affair.

Here we have the sorry spectacle of a bunch of senators and congressmen and their staffs wasting the taxpayers' money, when instead they should be attending to the nation's business. Not to mention all the newspapers' paper, ink, and reporters' time wasted.

All of this because Democrats are sore because they did not think of bugging the Republican headquarters first.

JOHN H. ALDEN
Pittsburgh

Watergate Publicity Out of Proportion

There has been a tremendous amount of publicity being given to the Watergate case, which appears to be all out of proportion to the events involved . . .

There is also continuous reference to the name of Nixon in most all of the news media's stories about this case. Is this a calculated effort to link

President Nixon to the case? This linkage, if repeated often enough, could convince some of the public that the President was personally involved. Or is this an effort by the news media to embarrass the present administration for its past criticism of the news media?

HARRY SINEWE
Pittsburgh

Too Much Splash Over Watergate

The continued screeching over Watergate turns my stomach. No damage has ever been reported, although the exposure probably hurt the Republican congressional candidates.

The Democrats are afraid to have disclosed what conversations were taped, if any.

If the Democrats continue their harassment some latter-day Daniel Ellsberg will steal the tapes and publish them, to the probable discomfiture of the Democrats.

Some skullduggery went on at Watergate, but to whose detriment, and so what?

That Watergate horse has foundered after having been written to death.

JOHN R. CHARLES
Highland Park
Agree

Agree with Mr. Rieker, Jr.

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Watergate Not That Important

For many months I have been belabored with news coverage and editorial opinion concerning "Watergate." As far back as the election, it was generally conceded that the public cared little about the matter, yet the barrage goes on, and on, and . . .

Your editorial of March 30 implies that Watergate is a matter of national honor, of import similar to Vietnam. Come, come now gentlemen, the real question must be not whether Watergate is a matter of national honor, but why you wish to make it so?

I do not question that the action was illegal, for the law seems clear enough. What I do question is the perspective of your editorial and the news coverage.

Is the issue of Watergate more serious than that of Ellsberg, or that of the Berrigans? Is it more important than the problems of inflation, taxation, violent crime, judicial laxity, energy shortages, etc.?

Certainly it is not! And because it is not, a perceptive public cares not.

C. E. RIEKER, Jr.
Pittsburgh, Pa

Thomas, Kenneth
8
Watergate

August 9, 1973

Mr. Kenneth D. Thomas
343 Second Street, N.W.
Hickory, North Carolina 28601

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Thank you for your letter of August 1. I appreciate your sharing your views with us.

I can assure you that we are doing everything in our power to support the President. We believe him, and we believe in him. I am ~~speaking~~ speaking out at every opportunity, traveling extensively around the country. What I am saying is that I believe the President's statements that he was not involved in Watergate; I am proud of the fine record of this Administration; and it must not be obscured by this Watergate mess. We are supporting the President in another vital way, too -- doing everything we can to elect a ~~REP~~ublican majority in Congress in '74.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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August 1, 1973

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Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, S. E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Mr. Bush:

Receipt is acknowledged of letter under your signature dated July 16, 1973, in which you state that the Republican National Committee has suffered a severe decline in contributions.

It is quite understandable that this decline would take place inasmuch as I have been unable to find any support from the Republican National Committee for President Nixon since the Senate Watergate Committee has started its inquisition. It might be helpful if certain Republicans in Washington would review the history of inquisitions and realize what's happening. It is obvious to many people in this area that the Watergate Committee, since its inception, has had but one principal function and that is to hang President Nixon. It has acted as prosecutor jury and judge, and in that capacity has not only permitted hearsay evidence two and three times removed but insinuations, beliefs, understandings and every other type of evidence which would be totally incompetent in any court of justice.

With the history of the Watergate Committee, it is certainly understandable why President Nixon, under no circumstances, would consent to permit that Committee or any of the members, with possibly one exception, to examine any tapes --why yourself, as Republican National Chairman, and other Republicans have not arisen to condemn this, is beyond my understanding. As I recall, the only one who has vocally objected to the procedure is Senator Barry Goldwater but it is entirely possible, of course, that there have been others.

This does not mean that I condone the actions of the participants, but at the same token, I am certain no member of that Committee is free from criticism as to contributions made on his behalf during election or as to how his party has conducted elections. The latter is certainly true to my own knowledge in the State of North Carolina as far as Senator Ervin is concerned.

President Nixon has rendered a great service to this country in various ways, particularly in ending the Vietnam entanglement and attempting to straighten out the economic situation and to curtail the excessive spending that Congress has authorized from time to time. It is ridiculous that we, as Republicans, have permitted the

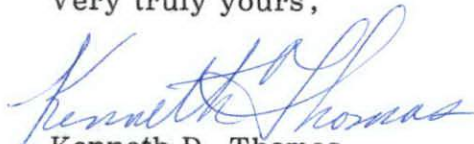
Mr. George Bush, Chairman
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August 1, 1973

Watergate hearings to supersede other business of Government when the problems of the world and the problems of this country are as great as they are.

When the Republican National Committee and the Republicans in Washington have the courage to take a position opposed to the inquisition process of the Committee and the violation of every rule of judicial procedure, contributions, in my opinion, will substantially increase, but contributions are not coming in as long as the elected members of the Republican Party in Washington are more concerned of their own political neck.

This position can be taken without condoning the actions that are illegal but adhering to the American system of justice and requiring that those who are responsible for any illegal acts be tried in courts of law in accordance with established principals of evidence and in accordance with the American judicial system. If we, as Republicans, and for more than twenty years I've held almost every political position available in this state except State Chairman, do not have the courage of our convictions and the courage to uphold American principals of liberty and innocence until proven guilty in a court of law and the American system of justice, then we as a Republican Party are not entitled to exist and expenditure of money is not warranted.

Very truly yours,



Kenneth D. Thomas

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Thomas, Loren
8
Watergate

April 18, 1973

Mr. Loren E. Thomas
1002 Rieh Street
Waterloo, Iowa

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Thank you very much for your recent letter. It was good to hear from you.

I agree with you to a degree that the Watergate incident has been blown out of proportion, but at the same time I think the connotations of this for our political system are very serious. Certainly the President's announcement of full cooperation with the investigating committee indicates his distress and concern over the charges that have been made, as well as his sincere desire to clear the matter up once and for all.

I consider myself a very loyal Republican, but I don't consider the bugging of Democrat headquarters to be the kind of thing we should condone or cover up. I have been saying all along that this matter should and would be cleaned up through disclosure. Incidents of this nature hurt the political process. Thus, the President's announcement, based on his latest information, has been welcomed and saluted across party lines.

Thanks again for sharing your views with me.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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April 14, 1973

Chairman George Bush
Republican National Committee
310 First St.-S. E.
Washington, D. C. 20003

Dear Sir:

It is surely distressing to hear good stalwart Republicans such as Block-Goldwater-Armstrong-Scherle, and others criticizing President Nixon regarding the Watergate incident.

It would be better, I would think, if they would hold their tongues and carry a low profile.

It does give aid and comfort to the Nixon "haters" such as the media and Democrats.

Every night when NBC-TV comes on the air the lead headline is nearly always Watergate, and most of the time it is the same thing re-hashed.

// I enjoy "First Monday"-its format is short and snappy. //

Sincerely,

Loren E. Thomas

Loren E. Thomas
1002 Riehl St.
Waterloo, Iowa

September 11, 1973

*Timmons, Bill
'81 Watergate
Dorsen letter from
Senate Select Comm*

Mr. Bill Timmons
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

Thanks for sending me a copy of that ugly letter signed by Mr. Dorsen and sent out by the Senate Select Committee. I have written a very strong letter to Ervin but I have not had time for a reply yet. I'll let you know what he says. Several people had called that letter to my attention.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

GB/hc

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date 9-6-73

TO:

Hon. George Bush

FROM:

WILLIAM TIMMONS

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ✓

FOR YOUR COMMENTS _____

FOR APPROPRIATE HANDLING _____

OTHER I suppose this has been
brought to your attention already.
This will hurt future contributions
in sure.

Toland, John A.
8.
Watergate

May 30, 1973

Mr. John A. Toland
Dover, Ohio

Dear Mr. Toland:

Thank you for your concerned letter of May 23. I hate to see you so discouraged. Certainly the ugly revelations of Watergate have rocked many of us. I, myself, have gotten into politics because I believe deeply in our system and I don't like to see it sullied or abused by a handful of people.

Attached are some of the things we have put out about Watergate. I hope that you will draw the distinction between the handful of guilty and those innocent people who have had their names dragged through the mire. And, also, I hope you will be able to draw the distinction between the Republican Party and the machinations of a few individuals.

This is no time to be faint-hearted or to quit. In spite of the furor over Watergate we are continuing to win important local elections. Please do not leave the Party now. We need men of your conviction.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Atts.

GB/hc

JOHN W. TOLAND

DOVER, OHIO

May, 23, 1973

Mr. George Bush
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20003

Dear Mr. Bush;

Since 1921 (52 years) I have never missed voting in a Republican primary nor in an election. I have never voted for other than a Republican for any National office.

We are receiving almost weekly pleas for money with which to carry on the congressional elections next year.

I believe the case is hopeless. There is little doubt but that many people including Republicans have lost faith because of the current revelations. In all honesty there is a credibility gap.

I believe that the President should resign and that in the best interests of our Country, Mr. Agnew should be elevated to the Presidency.

Whatever the outcome of the Hearings, the cloud will remain and the orderly processes of government greatly impaired.

I believe the President has been less than frank with the American people and that any chances for a Republican victory in either the congressional elections of 1974 or the presidential election in 1976 are becoming more remote as the days pass.

Respectfully,


John W. Toland

Tomczak, Dennis J.
Watergate

May 14, 1973

Mr. Dennis James Tomczak
743 East 11th Street
Erie, Pennsylvania 16503

Dear Mr. Tomczak:

Thank you very much for your comprehensive analysis of our system. I can see that you spent a great deal of time in gathering information and in putting your proposals together, and you are to be commended for taking your responsibility to your country so seriously.

Let me reply by saying that your proposals for change certainly merit consideration. It is my belief, however, that our system and our freedoms can work very well as they are if each and every person accepts his responsibility to them and does not attempt to abuse them.

When the whole truth is revealed and justice is done in this affair, not only will the Party emerge strong and undamaged, but the American system too will have been strengthened and will be freed of many of the abuses it has apparently suffered in the past. People and the actions of people behind the system make the real difference.

I commend you for your personal efforts in thinking out the matter so completely and for taking the time to share your views with me. I appreciate that very much.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

DENNIS JAMES TOMZAK

743 EAST 11TH ST

ERIE PA 16503

MY DEAR MR. BUSH,

FIRST I HAVE NOTHING TO DO
WITH WATERGATE, BUT WANT TO
TALK ABOUT IT, BECAUSE IT IS
EVERY, REPUBLICANS, RESPONSIBILITY
TO SOLVE IT, YOU SEE, I AM A
PERSON, WHO DOES NOT BELIEVE
IN DIRTY TRICKS, BUT I SEE IT GO
ON EVERY DAY, FOR EXAMPLE,
ONE POLITICAL POSTING HIS
PICTURE ABOVE ANOTHERS, OR
POLITICAL BLACKMAIL, ALL THIS
I CONSIDER, TRASH & DIRTY
TRICKS, BUT IT IS BEING USED
BY DEMOCRATS, TO OUST KEY
REPUBLICANS, AND I FEEL
SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE.
EITHER, YOU, THROW DIRTY
TRICKS BACK, OR LOSE, OR
YOU DO, WHAT I WOULD
PROPOSE, IT IS A SIMPLE
2 PART SOLUTION, WHICH,
WILL RETURN HONOR,
DIGNITY TO POLITICS, TO
NIXON, AND, FREE THE
PRESS, WHICH I WILL NOW

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GO INTO

PHASE [I], FREE THE PRESS, HOW

BY AN FCC, LAW, BRANNING,

ALL NATIONAL NETWORKS, (CBS,

NBC, AND ABC) FROM BROAD-

CASTING ANY NEWS, OR AFTER

PRESIDENTIAL SPEECHES, ANY SNIDE

REMARKS THEY USUALLY HAVE,

LIKE SAYING NIXON KNEW ABOUT

WATERGATE, BEFORE HAND, EVEN

THOUGH HE DID NOT, AND JUST

NOT DARE SAYING SO, THE SECOND

PART OF SUCH AN FCC, BRANN,

WOULD BE TO EXPAND, THE

LOCAL STATIONS NEWS, WITH,

POWER OF WHAT IS TO BE

AIDED, ANYWAY, TO EXPAND,

THE LOCAL STATIONS NEWS,

BROADCAST TO GO 1 HOUR,

TO COVER NATIONAL NEWS,

SPORTS, LOCAL NEWS & WEATHER,

THIS WOULD BE GREAT FOR,

IT, WOULD, RETURN TRUST,

INTO THE PRESS, AND GIVE

LOCAL PRESS MORE FREEDOM,

OF WHAT IS TO BE SAID, NOT

SAID, WHEREAS, ONLY 3 NOW

DECIDE THAT, ABC, CBS, NBC,

THIS WOULD GIVE THOUSANDS OF

STATIONS FREEDOM OF CHOICE

WHERE AS NOW, THERE IS NONE,
DID THE NATIONAL PRESS PLAY
UP THIS

CONTRADICT URELLA

Police Say Wiretap Probe Limited, Unsuccessful

By LARRY M. GASAK
Associated Press Writer

HARRISBURG (AP) — Two state police witnesses testified Thursday they conducted a limited and unsuccessful investigation to discover who tapped a state official's telephone.

Following the testimony before a House investigating committee, Chairman H. Joseph Hepford, R-Dauphin, said their accounts differed from that of the former state police commissioner.

Former Commissioner Rocco

P. Urella previously testified the two men—Lt. Herman Faiola and Lt. Stephen Luchansky—were to conduct a thorough investigation, Hepford said.

The hearing by the committee, investigating law enforcement in Pennsylvania, dealt solely with the tap found last September on the office phone of Harry Kapleau, chairman of the Milk Marketing Board.

"There's certainly a misunderstanding over what was meant in the instructions of Col.

Urella," Hepford said.

Faiola and Luchansky said their entire investigation consisted of checking Kapleau's office and the surrounding area for further bugging devices.

Luchansky, dismissed from the force earlier this week on wiretap charges stemming from another incident, and Faiola said Urella never told them known technical facts about the bugging device.

The telephone company removed the device after one of its maintenance men discovered it on a routine call.

"I was not given the technical facts, nor had I seen it (the device)," Faiola said.

Hepford: "You could not make a sufficient, competent investigation?"

Faiola: "I would say not."

The two witnesses said they used electronic antibugging equipment to check Kapleau's office.

"Would you consider yourself an amateur in the operation of this equipment?" Faiola was asked by committee counsel Downey Rice.

"Very definitely so," Faiola replied.

OR DID THEY PICK THIS UP...

Activists' Trial Slated

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — U.S. District Court Judge Winston Arnow on Thursday set a July 17 trial date for eight anti-war activists charged with conspiracy to disrupt with violence the 1972 Republican National Convention.

Arnow also ordered the trial, at Gainesville, limited to three weeks.

Despite objections from both the prosecution and defense, Arnow said he wanted the trial to move "with deliberate speed" and would hold night sessions if necessary to meet his deadline.

Arnow's ruling came on the final day of a four-day pretrial

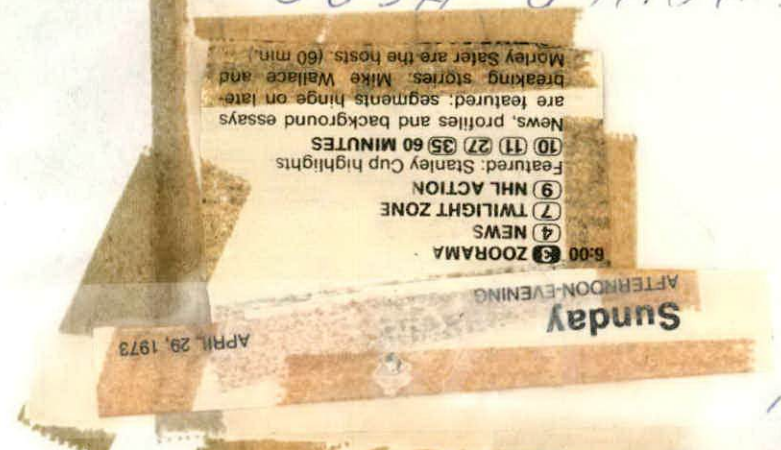
hearing for the seven members of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War and one supporter known as the Gainesville Eight.

Arnow has yet to rule on defense challenges to the indictments which were returned last year by a federal grand jury in Gainesville.

Protesting the judge's three-week trial deadline, chief defense attorney Morton Stavis said he knew of no conspiracy trial of this kind that had been completed in less than four months.

But Asst. U.S. Atty. Jack Carouth said he had often tried conspiracy cases in one day.

THIS WAS NOT BROUGHT UP, NOR, THE REASON FOR WATERGATE, THAT IT WAS TO PROTECT THE PRESIDENT FROM THE RADICAL STUDENTS, AND IT GOT TO THIS POINT,



YOU SHOULD HEAR WHAT WAS SAID, ON POINT COUNTER POINT, IT, WENT TO THE THIS, "NOBODY CARED ABOUT THE BUGGING, IT WAS THE COUREURS, THAT CAUSED IT, TRYING TO HIDE IT FROM THE PRESS, "SO THE PRESS DECIDED TO RUIN, THE PRESIDENT, EVEN TO IMPEACH MEANT TALK, WHICH ALL WAS WRONG, ALSO, WHY NOT, BRING THE NEWS, BACK TO THE PEOPLE LET THE LOCAL STATIONS, DECIDE, WHO WHAT IS NEWS, AND ALSO IT COUSES, MORE IMPACT, MORE CITIZEN INVOLUE MEANT, PEOPLE WILL REACT, WHEN THE GUY, READING THE NEWS IS A LOCAL MAN, NOT SOMEONE

WHO IS UP IN THE AIR IN FRESH & BLOOD, ALSO, YOU PROBABLY COULD PUT IT UNDER THE FCC'S PRIME TIME LAW.

NOW TO PHASE II, WHY NOT CALL OFF THE POLITICAL WAR, & SIGN A PEACE TREATY, WITH THE DEMOCRATS, THIS WOULD TAKE A LOT OF STING OUT OF THE WATERBATE, NOW, THE IDEA IS SIMPLE, & 3 PART

1 IN THE PRIMARIES, LET THE PEOPLE CHOOSE A CANDIDATE, INSTEAD OF ONE, IN THE CONGRESS & PRESIDENT RACE

2 WOULD BE TO HAVE, THE NOW, BALLOT DECIDE THE CONGRESSMAN, AND PRESIDENT,

NOW WHAT I AM TRYING TO GET AT, IS, TO GIVE THE DEMOCRATS ONE HOUSE, AND THE REPUBLICANS ANOTHER, IT, GIVE THE REPUBLICANS, THE WHITE HOUSE, WITH MORE THAN TWO TERMS, WHY, THE REPUBLICANS ARE FEW AND WELL TO DO, FINANCIALLY, AND TO GIVE THE DEMOCRATS, AND THEIR HOUSE, CONGRESS,

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WHY
THE DEMOCRATS ARE MANY & POOR
AND, THIS WOULD STIMULATE,
PATRIOTISM, A RETURN TO

GOVERNMENT, FOR, THE WHITE
HOUSE IS WAY OFF, BUT THE
LOCAL CONGRESSMEN IS NOT,
THUS, A NEW, IMAGE, PEOPLE
WILL LOOK AT THE LOCAL,
CONGRESSMEN MORE AND MORE,
THUS GOVERNMENT IMPROVES,
ALSO DEMOCRATS, WILL TOTALLY
CONTROL THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTS...

BUT THE PRESIDENT WILL BE
REPUBLICAN, & CONTROL THE
WHITE HOUSE, ALSO, THE
NEED FOR DIRTY TRICKS WOULD
STOP, THE REPUBLICANS AND
DEMOCRATS, WOULD BOTH

CONTROL, A CHECK AND,
BALANCE, TYPE OF THING,
NO ONE PARTY COULD BECOME
A RULER, AND, NOW I AM
GOING TO GIVE YOU A LIST,
OF REPUBLICAN, CONGRESS

MEM...

NO. OF REPUBLICANS IN HOUSE PER STATE

TOTAL AMOUNT OF REPUBLICANS IN HOUSE 177

STATE NAME

CONGRESS MANS NAME

ALABAMA 3

- 1 JACK EDWARDS,
- 2 WILLIAM L DICKINSON
- 3 JOHN H BUCHANAN JR

ALASKA 0

ARIZONA 2

- 1 JOHN J RHODES
- 2 SAM STEIGER

ARKANSAS 1

- 1 JOHN PAUL HAMMERSEHMDT

CALIFORNIA 18

- 1 DON H CLAUSEN
- 2 WILLIAM S MAILLIARD
- 3 CHARLES S GUBSER
- 4 PAUL N. MCCLOSKEY JR
- 5 BURT L TALCOTT
- 6 CHARLES M. TEAGUE
- 7 ROBERT B MATHIAS
- 8 H ALLEN SMITH
- 9 DELWIN M. CLAWSON
- 10 JOHN H ROUSSELOT
- 11 CHARLES E WIGGINS
- 12 BARRY GOLDWATER JR.
- 13 ALPHONZO BELL
- 14 CRAIG HOSTER
- 15 JERRY L PETTIS
- 16 JOHN G SCHMITZ
- 17 BOB WILSON
- 18 VICTOR V VEYSEY

COLORADO 2

- 1 JAMES D MCKEVITT
- 2 DONALD G BROTZMAN

CONNECTICUT 2

- 1 ROBERT H STEELE
- 2 STEWART B MCKINNEY

DELEWARE 1

- 1 PIERRE S DUPONT IV

FLORIDA 3

- 1 LOUIS FREY JR
- 2 C. W. YOUNG
- 3 J HERBERT BURKE

GEORGIA 2

- 1 BEN B BLACKBURN
- 2 FLETCHER THOMPSON

HAWAII 0

IDAHO 2

- 1 JAMES A MCLURE
- 2 ORVAL HANSEN

ILLINOIS 12

- 1 EDWARD J DERWINSKI
- 2 HAROLD R COLLIER
- 3 ROBERT MCLORY
- 4 PHILIP M CRANE
- 5 JOHN N ERLNBORN
- 6 CLIFFARD D CARLSON
- 7 JOHN B. ANDERSON
- 8 LESLIE C ARENDES
- 9 ROBERT H MICHEL
- 10 THOMAS F RAILSBACK
- 11 PAUL FINDLEY
- 12 WILLIAM L SPRINGER

INDIANA 6

- 1 EARL F LANDREBE
- 2 ELWOOD H HILLS
- 3 WILLIAM G BRAY
- 4 JOHN T MYERS
- 5 ROGER H ZION
- 6 DAVID W DENNIS

IOWA 5

- 1 FRED SCHWENGER
- 2 H. R. GROSS
- 3 JOHN H KYL
- 4 WILEY MAYNE
- 5 WILLIAM T SCHERLE

KANSAS 4

- 1 KEITH G SEBECIUS
- 2 LARRY WILSON JR
- 3 HARPER E SHIVER
- 4 JOE STUBITZ

KENTUCKY 2

- 1 MARION G SYNDER
- 2 TIM LEE CARTER

LOUISIANA 0

MAINE 0

MARYLAND 3

- 1 WILLIAM O. HILLS
- 2 LAWRENCE J HOGAN
- 3 GILBERT GODE

MASSACHUSETTS 3

- 1 SILVIO O COMTE
- 2 MARGARET MITCHELL
- 3 HASTINGS KEITH

MICHIGAN 12

- 1 MARVIN L ESCH
- 2 GARRY BROWN
- 3 EDWARD HUTCHINSON
- 4 GERALD R FORD
- 5 CHARLES E CHAMBERLAIN
- 6 DONALD W RIGGLE JR
- 7 JAMES HARVEY
- 8 GUY A VANDER JAGT
- 9 EL FORD A CEDERBERG
- 10 PHILIP E RUPPE
- 11 WILLIAM B FORD
- 12 JACK H McDONALD

MINNESOTA 4

- 1 ALBERT H QUIE
- 2 ANCHER NELSON
- 3 BILL FRENZEL
- 4 JOHN H ZWACH

MISSISSIPPI 0

MISSOURI 1

- 1 PURWARD G HALL

MONTANA 1

- 1 RICHARD L SHOUR

NEBRASKA 3

- 1 CHARLES THORE
- 2 JOHN Y MCCOLLISTER
- 3 DAVID T MARTIN

NEVADA 0

NEW HAMPSHIRE 2

- 1 LOUIS C WYMAN
- 2 JAMES CLEVELAND

NEW JERSEY 6

- 1 JOHN E HUNT
- 2 CHARLES W SANDMAN JR
- 3 PETER H. B. FREELING-HUYSEN
- 4 EDWIN B FORSYTHE
- 5 WILLIAM B WIDNALL
- 6 FLORENCE P DWYER

NEW MEXICO 1

- 1 MANUEL LUTAN JR

NEW YORK 16

- 1 JAMES R GROVER JR
- 2 JOHN W WYDLER
- 3 NORMAN F LENT
- 4 SEYMOUR HALPERN
- 5 PETER A PEYSER
- 6 HAMILTON FISH JR
- 7 CARLETON J KING
- 8 ROBERT C MEEWEN
- 9 ALEXANDER PIRNIE
- 10 HOWARD W ROBINSON
- 11 JOHN H TERRY
- 12 FRANK HORTON
- 13 BARBER B CONABLE JR
- 14 JAMES F HASTINGS
- 15 JACK F KEMP
- 16 HENRY P SMITH III

NORTH CAROLINA 4

- 1 WILMER D MIZELL
- 2 EARL B RUTH
- 3 CHARLES R JONAS
- 4 JAMES T BROYHILL

NORTH DAKOTA 1

- 1 MARK ANDREWS

OHIO 17

- 1 WILLIAM J KEATING
- 2 DONALD D CLANCY
- 3 CHARLES W WHALEN JR
- 4 WILLIAM M MCCULLOCH
- 5 DELBERT L CATTA
- 6 WILLIAM H HARSHA
- 7 CLARENCE J BROWN JR
- 8 JACKSON E BETTS
- 9 CLARENCE E MILLER
- 10 J WILLIAM STANTON
- 11 SAMUEL L DEVINE
- 12 CHARLES A MOSHER
- 13 CHALTERS P WYLLIE
- 14 FRANK T BOW
- 15 JOHN M ASH BROOK
- 16 WILLIAM E MINSHALL
- 17 WALTER E POWELL

OKLAHOMA 2

- 1 PAGE BELCHER
- 2 JN HAPPY CAMP

OREGON 2

- 1 WENDELL WYATT
- 2 JOHN DELEN BACK

PENNSYLVANIA 13

- 1 LAWRENCE G WILLIAMS
- 2 EDWARD G BIESTER JR
- 3 JOHN A WARE III
- 4 JOSEPH M MCDADE
- 5 J IRVING WHALLEY
- 6 LAWRENCE COUGHLIN
- 7 EDWIN DESHLEMAN
- 8 HERMAN T SCHNEEBELI
- 9 H. JOHN HEINZ III
- 10 GEORGE A GOODLING
- 11 JOHN P SAYLOR
- 12 ALBERT W JOHNSON
- 13 WILLIAM S CONOVER II

RHODE ISLAND 0

SOUTH CAROLINA 1

1 FLOYD D SPENCE

SOUTH DAKOTA 0

TENNESSEE 4

1 JAMES H QUILLEN

2 JOHN J DUNCAN

3 LAMAR BAKER

4 DAN H KUYKENDALL

TEXAS 3

1 JAMES M COLLINS

2 BILL ARCHER

3 ROBERT D PRICE

UTAH 1

1 SHERMAN PLEOYD

VERMONT 1

1 AL RICHARD W MALLARY

VIRGINIA 5

1 G. WILLIAM WHITEHURST

2 J KENNETH ROBINSON

3 WILLIAM LLOYD SCOTT

4 WILLIAM G WAMPLER

5 JOEL T BROYHILL

WASHINGTON 1

1 THOMAS M PELLY

WEST VIRGINIA 0

WISCONSIN 5

1 VERNON W THOMPSON

2 WILLIAM A STIEGER

3 JOHN W BYRNES

4 GLEN R DAVIS

5 ALVIN E OIKONSKI

WYOMING 0

THIS IS AS
OF JAN 4-1973
AND DOES NOT
INCLUDE
NOVEMBER
ELECTION

PRESIDENT
RICHARD MILHOUS
NIXON

Now the first step would be to ask the Republican Congressmen to turn Democrat, and ask to turn Democrat, to put a Congress on, only a Republican can be President, and, only a Democrat can be a U.S. Congressman, thus creating a balance of power, thus, showing an official Republican apology, for, water-gate, and an offer to work together to form a two house, control, so no other water-gate could happen, never, ever again, and this also shows, an asking of forgiveness, & mercy, now, the next step would be to have Democrats, elect two Democrat candidates for each congressional seat, and ^{two} Republicans, and ^{two} Republicans, for President, than in the general election, both Democrats and Republicans vote in with

THEY WANT TO BE: PRESIDENT,
AND CONGRESSMEN, THUS, YOU GOT,
PATRIOTISM, INTEREST RETURNS,
FOR CONGRESSES HOUSE WILL
BE THE CHECK AND BALANCE TO
THE WHITE HOUSE, AND NOW
DAYS NO ONE CARES, WHO IS
A CONGRESSMEN, AND WHO
IS NOT, IN SOME SPOTS, THERE
ARE NO OPPONENTS, THIS IS WRONG,
AND IF PEOPLE ONCE AGAIN,
RETURNED TO LOOK INTO CONGRESS,
MANY, PRINCIPALS, WOULD BE
CHANGED, NOT REMAINING,
THUS NO RIOTS, NO DISCONTENT,
BUT INTEREST IN GOVERNMENT,
ALSO YOU ARE CREATING A
TWO PARTY SYSTEM, WORK-
ING TO MAKE AMERICA,
BETTER, NOT TO WORK TO
MAKE AMERICA BITTER TO
CHALLENGE & DESTROY EACH
OTHER, AND AS FOR SENATE,
LEAVE IT ALONE, LET IT BE,
THE NEUTRAL FORCE, IE,
THE, SENATE, WILL BE THE
SCALE, HOLDING, UP THE
DEMOCRAT CONGRESS HOUSE &
REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT HOUSE

BY BEING LAW, CONSTITUTIONAL LAW,
WOULD CAUSE BOTH PARTIES TO BE
FOREVER PRESERVED, AND CRACK
POT PARTYS, WOULD GO BY THE
WAYSIDE, IE COMMUNIST, ATHEIST,
SOCIALIST, 3RD PARTY, ALICE COOPERS,
ALL OF THEM,

NOW THE NEXT STEP, WOULD
BE TO GET AN WELL LIKED
SENATOR, WHO IS A REPUBLICAN,
TO FORM A COMMITTEE, IN SENATE,
TO WORK WITH THE WHITE HOUSE,
AND CONGRESS TO, DEVELOPE,
SUCH A FUNCTION, ALSO I,
WISH YOU WOULD WORK TO GET
THIS SENATOR, INTO THE VICE
PRESIDENCY, HE IS WELL LIKED,
AND COULD REMOVE WATER
GATES, BAD IMAGE, ON THE PARTY,
PLEASE NOTE ARTICLES,

IN A FINE sense of timing, the Observer bannered a story on a recent poll showing that Senator Richard Schweiker is gaining on Senator Hugh Scott in popularity and particularly in the recognition factor. That is quite an accomplishment for the junior senator who will be seeking a second term in the "most exclusive club in the world," the U.S. Senate, in 1974. Senator Schweiker is campaigning right now. One prominent Democrat told us that there is no line of candidates waiting to oppose Schweiker. It is an expensive effort particularly if it results in a loss.

Schweiker Raps Staff

PITTSBURGH (UPI) — Sen. Richard S. Schweiker, R-Pa., said Thursday the only way to restore public confidence in the Nixon administration was to replace the White House staff with "men of integrity and intelligence."

Schweiker said the presidential aides linked to the Watergate case should be dismissed now before further indictments are made in connection with the bugging incident.

He praised the news media for uncovering the scandal.

NOW EXCUSE MY WRITING IT IS
ABOUT 2 AM, NOW CONGRESS
HOUSE IS JUST AS POWERFUL,
AS THE WHITE HOUSE, SO THE
DEMOCRATS WOULD NOT LOSE POWER
BY CONTROLLING THE CONGRESS HOUSE,
NOR WOULD THE REPUBLICANS,
WHICH POWER, BY CONTROLLING
THE WHITE HOUSE, THIS WOULD
BE A PEACEFUL WAY TO GET
JOINT CO-OPERATION, AND,
STILL PEOPLE WOULD HAVE
FREEDOM OF CHOICE, AND
WOULD HAVE A MORE POWERFUL
VOICE IN GOVERNMENT, AND,
POLITICIANS CAN THAN MATURE,
ENOUGH, TO GET ACTION NOT
RE-ACTION, FOR TIRED CITIZENS
NOW HOW DO YOU GET THIS
DONE, BY GOING TO THE

PRESIDENT, AND THEN TO ME,

STRASS, ALSO THIS WOULD

SHOW TRUST & RESTORE FAITH

IN THE WHITE HOUSE, NOW

ALL THAT IS NEEDED IS A

CONGRESSIONAL AMENDMENT,

AND BOTH DEMS & REPS,

WOULD VOTE YES, THIS

WOULD BE A PEACE TREATY,
AND NOT ONLY THAT, IT

Now you, get also a chance to

get Nixon a 3rd term, how

the law will make congress

Nixons equal, ie all democrat,

and they would have more

than 2 terms, so total power

of the president, could not

happen,

Now Mr. Bush, I wrote to you

before, when you were in the

U.N., why, because you than

could have brought total peace,

how by working for the U.N.

original goal, total military

control by the U.N. ie no war,

peace & communist would have

to use other means, now I am

writing to you because I,

want to save republican

honor, & help cool angry

democrat tempers, now I

got a second plan, to aid,

to ease, the democrat,

watergate, funding, to

help the republican

the finance dept, my

idea is this, to have you,

go to H.U.D. and get a

GRANT TO BUILD A CIVIC AUDITORI-
OR AMPH-THREATER, BIG ENOUGH,
TO HOLD THE REPUBLICAN,
PRESIDENTIAL CONVENTION, AND
THEN, TO, SINCE H.U.D. IS PAYING
FOR IT, HAVE THE PRESIDENTIAL,

CONVENTION, WOULD BE HELD
IN THE HALL FOR FREE, FOR
EVER, BY THIS I MEAN, THIS
WOULD BE A PERMANENT FREE
HOME, FOR REPUBLICAN, PRESIDENTIAL
CONVENTIONS, THEN ONCE YOU,
GOT THIS ESTABLISHED, THE
NEXT STEP WOULD BE TO
ALLOW IT, TO ALSO BE A

FREE HOME, FOR THE DEMOCRATS,
PRESIDENTIAL, FOR IF LAWS
CHANGED CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTIONS
AS TO HELP, TO REMOVE THE
WATERGATE STING, THUS THIS

WOULD HELP THE DEMOCRATS,
TO SHOW AN APOLOGY, NOW,
THEY JUST SAID, "NIXONS
PROGRAMS ARE DONE WITH
AND SENATE, DUE TO WATER-
GATE". NOW THIS WOULD
SAVE NIXON AND HIS
PROGRAMS, NOW THE NEXT
STEP IN THIS, WOULD BE TO

WORK, TO GET, A \$100,000 GRANT,
 FROM A BUSINESS MAN, TO THE,
 REPUBLICAN PARTY, SO AS TO,
 REDUCE THE WATERGATE DEBT,
 AND I WILL WORK TO FIND A
 BUSINESS MAN, NOW THIS WOULD
 NOT BE A BRIBE, FOR THE
 REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS,
 WOULD USE THE HALL, AND,
 MY SECOND VIEW IS, YOU GET
 A \$100,000, AND, H.U.D. PAYS THE
 BUSINESS MAN TO BUILD THE HALL,
 AND TO OWN IT, AND YOU AND
 THE DEMOCRATS, GET TO USE IT
 FOR FREE, ALSO, I WOULD
 LIKE THE THING, AROUND
 ERIE PA, FOR THESE REASONS,

① IT HAS A DEMOCRAT MAYOR,
 IT TO SHOW GOOD FRITH

② IT HAS A BEACH AREA, &
 PARKLAND

③ IT HAS ROOM TO DEVELOPE
 AROUND A CENTER

④ IT IS AN ALL AMERICAN
 CITY

⑤ IT HAS 3 BIG CITIES,
 NEARBY

(6)

IT MIGHT ALLOW ERIC TO BE A
PERMANENT HOME CITY, OTHER
BIG CITIES ARE SAYING **No.**
AND YOU MIGHT RUN OUT OF
CITIES,

AND YOU WOULD HAVE A FREE
CONVENTION CITY & THAT, AND
A \$100,000 GRANT, AND SINCE
IT ALSO WOULD BE FREE, FOR
THE DEMOCRATS, THE REPUBLICANS
SAVE FACE, FROM WATERGATE,
NOW MR. BUSH, LIKE ALL YOU
HAVE TO DO IS, WRITE ME,
AND TELL ME, YOU, WILL GO
TO H.U.D. ^{SEARCH AND} IN THE MEANTIME,
I WILL ^{WORK} FOR A BUSINESS
MAN, TO GIVE YOU A \$100,000
GRANT, AND A CONTRACT TO
ALLOW DEM'S & REP'S TO USE
IT FOR FREE, I WOULD,
LIKE TO DO IT, I WILL MAKE
NO PROFIT, NOR DO I WORK
FOR ANYONE WHO WOULD
MAKE ANY PROFIT, THIS IS
ONLY TO AID THE PARTY,
TO REMAIN ITS HONOR, SO
PLEASE WRITE ME, ALSO,
MAYBE WE COULD, WORK ON

THIS SILENTLY, UNTIL, ITS READY,
AND THEN GO TO THE DEMOCRATS
AS A SURPRISE,

NOW TO PART THREE,

END CAMBODIA, - ECOLOGY, - HELP

H.U.D. MAKE ENOUGH APARTMENTS -

CONSERVE LUMBER, ALL IN ONE

SET OF MOVES, PLUS, EARN A,

GRANT OF \$50,000 TO \$100,000, TO

REDUCE THE WATERGATE DEBT,

PLAN, SO HERE IT IS, ALL YOU

NEED IS THIS LETTER, TO USE IT,

THE LETTER IS FROM U.S. STEEL...

EARL W. MALLICK
VICE PRESIDENT—
ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL



*United
States
Steel
Corporation*

600 GRANT STREET
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA 15230

April 26, 1973

Mr. Dennis James Tomqak
743 East 11th Street
Erie, Pennsylvania 16503

Dear Mr. Tomqak:

I certainly was pleased to receive your very lengthy and informative letter. It is obvious that you have given a lot of thought to ways in which we can solve our problems, and I certainly appreciate your passing your suggestions along to us. I'm even more appreciative of the fact that you are interested in helping U. S. Steel with its problems. Many of the letters we receive are simply complaints without any constructive suggestions, and if we are ever to solve our environmental problems we need more people with attitudes such as yours.

I am sure you spent a great deal of time in putting your presentation together and, since you have sent us the original, I will be glad to make a copy for our files and return the original to you in the event you wish to pass it along to other companies. If you wish it returned, please let me know.

Many thanks for writing.

Sincerely,

NOT RAISE GOVERNMENT DEFECT,

④

WOULD BE TO SUBSIDIZE, NORTH VIETNAM, WITH FARM MACHINERY, SEEDS, ETC, PROVIDED, THEY, WILL SPREAD COMMUNISM, WITH FOOD NOT BULLETS AND THEY WILL DO IT, STARTING WITH CAMBODIA. THUS NO FIGHTING

⑤

WOULD BE, TO STOP, THE COMMUNIST GROWTH, HOW, BY, SUBSIDIZING PREMIER THIEU WITH AMERICAN GROWN FOOD, THAT THE FARMERS, WOULD HAVE TO PRODUCE, SINCE, THEIR SUBSIDY WAS CUT OUT, AND THIS CUTS GOVERNMENT TRADE DEFECT, AND, STOPS WARS, LIKE CAMBODIA, GROWTH OF, COMMUNISM OR AMERICANISM, WOULD BE FOOD, NOT GUNS

⑥

WOULD BE TO FORCE HUD, TO GO ONLY HIGH RISE, AND USE AND ONLY FUND, ITS PROJECT BREAKTHRU, IE, FACTORY PRODUCED, HOMES, AND TO ORDER, STEEL IN ITS BUILDING,

NOW THIS PLAN WOULD WORK
IN MULTI STEPS,

① WOULD BE, SEE IF THE U.S. STEEL,
WOULD MAKE YOUR PARTY A
50,000 TO 100,000 DOLLAR GRANT TO
DO THIS PROJECT, IF SO CONTINUE
TO DO IT IF, NOT DON'T

② WOULD BE FARMERS GROW
FOOD AND, THERE IS A SUBSIDY,
TO CUT FOOD, IE FARMERS,
GET PAID NOT TO GROW, SO
THE SECOND PHASE, IS TO
CUT OUT, OR CANCEL, ENTIRELY,
THIS, NO FOOD GROWING,
SUBSIDY.

③ WOULD BE, WITH THE,
SUBSIDY, TO NOT GROW FOOD,
MONEY, SHIP TO THE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY, TO MAKE GRANTS,
TO FACTORIES ONLY. NO ONE
ELSE, TO CLEAN UP THE
WATER & AIR, STARTING
WITH THE U.S. STEEL
CORP. AND, THIS USING,
THE FARM MONEY WOULD

PROCESS, BESIDES CEMENT, FOR, NOW,
ONLY CEMENT WALLS ARE ~~BEING~~
USED, AND A FLOOD, OR INTENSE
FIRE COULD CAUSE THE CEMENT
WALLS TO CRUMBLE, BUT STEEL
BEAMS, IN THE CEMENT WALLS,
WOULD AID, ALOT, TO PREVENT,
CRUMBLING, ALSO, WHY ONLY,
HIGH RISE, IS SIMPLE,

① IT WILL PROVIDE MORE HOMES,
FOR LESS MONEY

② IT WOULD PROVIDE LAND,
FOR PARKS & GIVE A NICE VIEW

③ IT WOULD SAVE MORE LAND
FROM URBANIZATION.

④ IT USES LESS TIMBER, WHICH
IS EXPENSIVE

⑤ IT MEANS MORE INNER CITY
LAND FOR FACTORIES, -JOBS,
NOT WELFARE

NOW WITH REFIXING OLD HOMES,
JUST WON'T WORK, 20 YEARS,
THEY WILL RETURN TO GHETTO,
AND, THEY DON'T CHANGE HUMAN
ATTITUDE, ALSO, THEY DON'T,
CONTAIN NEW TECHNOLOGY, AND
COVERING COCK ROACHES WITH WOOD

PANELING JUST DON'T STOP THE
COCK ROACHES, ALSO, IT IS BAD,
FOR PEOPLE WON'T FIX PROPERTY,
ON THEIR OWN.

AS FOR REBUILDING NEW HOMES,
IT COST TOO MUCH, TO DO, AND,
EVERY BODY, CAN'T GET A NEW
HOME, ALSO IT USES LUMBER, AND
IT IS TOO EXPENSIVE AS IT IS,
LET'S CONSERVE

AS FOR LOW COST HOMES, THERE,
IS TOO MUCH LAND USAGE,
TOO MUCH COST, & TOO SHABBY,
IN THE WORK, OR BUILDING,
THE POOR SUFFER,

Now with high risers,
GREENPARKS, GYM, POOL, MEETING
HALL, ALSO WITH STORES
CAN BE BUILT, THERE
ON THE FIRST FLOOR, THERE
WOULD BE A SHOPPING CONCOURSE,
NOW PLEASE LOOK AT THIS
PROJECT, IT IS APPENSING,
NOT, DISGUSTING, ANYBODY,
WOULD WANT TO LIVE THERE,

ALSO THE FINAL THING WOULD BE,
THE HIGH RISERS, COULD ENCOURAGE
U.S. STEEL TO MAKE A BIG GRANT,
TO HELP PAY OFF THE WATERGATE
DEBT.

NOW MR. BUSH. I AM A 20 YR
OLD, I WANT TO HELP TO GET
INVOLVED, SO I WISH, YOU
WOULD BE KIND ENOUGH TO,
WRITE ME TO GIVE ME YOUR
VIEWS, AND SEE IF MY FOUR
PROPOSEALS, WILL AID, YOU,
OR NOT, I HOPE THEY WILL,
AND I WISH YOU WOULD GIVE
ME YOUR VIEWS, NOW, I WANT
TO BE FRIENDLY, I LIKE YOU,
I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND
IN NEED, AND, WATERGATE,
IS A GIANT NEED, SO, I
HOPE, I AM HELPFUL TO YOU,

John F. Kennedy
John F. Kennedy
John F. Kennedy

DENNIS JAMES TOMCZAK
743 EAST 11TH ST
ERIE PA 16503

MAY 7 1973

MY DEAR MR. BUSH.

THIS ARTICLE IS A DIRTY
TRICK AGAINST THE REPUBLICAN
PARTY,

CITE IMPROPER FUND USE

Democrats May Sue Nixon Election Team

By TONY ZONA

Some Erie County Democrats are considering a class action suit against the Committee for the Re-election of the President on behalf of those who contributed to the committee thinking their money would pay for proper campaign activity.

Erie County Democrat Chairman Roger M. Fischer said he and other Democrat leaders have been discussing the idea of a suit. He said he had not heard of such a suit in any other area.

Fischer said he will discuss the idea with members of the state Democrat committee and possibly offer the idea to the national committee.

"If a person contributed to the Committee for the Re-election of the President," Fis-

cher said, "he may well have grounds to sue for the return of his money on the basis it was improperly used for illegal activities."

However, Fischer said he and other Democrats will be seeking disenchanted contributors locally.

"I would be more than happy to hear from disenchanted contributors," he said.

If a suit were filed it could take over a year to adjudicate, Fischer said. It would probably be filed in Washington, D. C., and closely follow the Democrats previous suit against the Republican committee.

When asked the chances of winning he said, "I don't know. I've never heard of a suit like this. Then again I've never heard of anything like Watergate before."

IF THINGS LIKE THIS PASS, WE WILL
GO BANKRUPT, SO I OFFER MY
SOLUTION, THEY WANT THE
MONEY BACK SINCE WATERGATE,
WAS ILLEGAL, WHY NOT, DO THE
SAME TO THE DEMOCRAT PARTY,
FOR, THE HIPPIE ATTACKS,
AGAINST NIXON, THAT WAS ILLEGAL
TOO, ALSO SINCE THE HIPPIES, WERE
FOR MCGOVERN AND THE DEMOCRAT
PARTY, YOU COULD SUE, THE,
DEMOCRAT PARTY AND MCGOVERN
CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS, FOR
THE WHOLE COST OF THE CONVENTION
\$ IS TO \$30 MILLION, AND SINCE,
THE HIPPIES, WHO WERE FOR
MCGOVERN & THE DEMOCRATS,
YOU COULD SUE, AT \$100,000 TO
A \$ MILLION, PER REPUBLICAN
DELEGATE, ON THE GROUNDS,
THAT DEMOCRAT, MCGOVERN
HIPPIES, HAD WILLFUL INTENT,
TO MALICIOUSLY, ATTACK, AND
ATTEMPTED, TO MAIM, MURDER,
AND CAUSE MENTAL CREULITY, TO THE
REPUBLICAN DELEGATES, NOW,
IF YOU DID THIS, THE DEMOCRATS,
WOULD OWE THE REPUBLICANS,
FOR THE NEXT 500 YEARS, THEY'D
BE BANKRUPTED AGAIN, AND

DO TO SUCH A LAW SUIT, THE
DEMOCRATS WOULD DROP WATER
GATE & RELATED SUITS, LIKE A HOT
POTATO, I FEEL THIS HAS TO BE
DONE, ITS LEGAL, OTHERWISE
THE WHOLE REPUBLICAN PARTY,
IS GOING BANKRUPT, SO I
HOPE I AM HELPFUL TO YOU,

Thank you
Sincerely yours
James O. Thompson

PS, ALSO MR. BUSH, NOTE HOW
GEORGE McGOVERN, IS TELLING
HIS PARTY TO COOLIT, NOT TO
PUSH ITS LUCK, THE REASON
IS HE IS HIDING SOMETHING
AND IF YOU START, TO HIT
WITH MY PROPOSED PLAN,
IT ALL GOING TO COME OUT,

Torrey, Paul D.
Watergate
To Sen Tower

May 21, 1973

Mr. Paul D. Torrey
609 West Sixth, Room 201
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Paul:

Thanks for sending me a copy of your correspondence with Senator Tower. I agree wholeheartedly with his letter to you about the Watergate mess, and I share ~~has~~ confidence that this whole affair will be cleared up.

I've attached several items about Watergate which have gone out from the National Committee -- think you might be interested in what we're saying and doing about it.

Warm regards.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Enclosures

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Dear George: Perhaps you know some able Republican members of the Congress who will support Senator Tower in

PAUL D. TORREY, Sr. D.
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Eliminating this
menace to our existence.

RESIDENCE TELEPHONE
AC 512, 327-0097

May 14, 1973

OFFICE PHONE
AC 512, 477-3396

The Honorable John G. Tower,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C. 20510

MAY 17 1973

Cordially yours
Paul

Dear Senator:

Your letter of May 9, 1973 went a long way to restore my confidence in the integrity of the government of the United States. I hope that you will not object if I pass it on to some of our good Republican friends, who share my admiration for all that you have done for the people of Texas.

Frankly, we have been dismayed and discouraged by the scandalous activities of the President's friends and advisors. It is almost incredible to me that a man who continually has proclaimed honesty in government would surround himself with such a pack of knaves and rascals.

Although I would have to admit that Mr. Connally was a good governor of Texas, much superior to his venal successor, I yet have to learn one thing that he did to help your recent campaign for reelection. Nevertheless, if you and Mr. Bush, possessing much better knowledge and information than we do, will tell the Republican Party of Texas that we should support John Connally, I, for one, will accept your recommendation.

You have asked me to call on your office if you could ever be of assistance. Thus, I feel free to request that you do something good for the oil industry of Texas, by exerting every possible effort to defeat Secretary Schultz's proposal to eliminate the intangible benefits that oil producers receive under existing income tax laws, or to make such benefits available only out of profits. Secretary Schultz's proposal will benefit the major oil companies, but it will destroy the independent oil operators of our State and our Nation. You could not do a finer thing for many people who, over the years, have supported you in every possible way, to stop this nonsense. It is hardly necessary for me to tell you that the independent oil producers have been able to exist and make a modest profit because we have learned how to produce more oil from the reserves that have been discovered in previous years, and because we have been able to attract outside capital by reason of completely justified provisions of our tax laws. With the fuel supply of the nation in such a critical state, it would be utter folly to remove the principal incentive to develop new sources of oil and gas supply.

Thanking you most fervently for your continued and generous comprehension of our problems, and expressing the hope that you will find a way to frustrate Mr. Schultz's efforts to taper with the tax laws which relate to oil production, I am,

Appreciatively yours,

Paul D. Torrey

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

May 9, 1973

Mr. Paul D. Torrey
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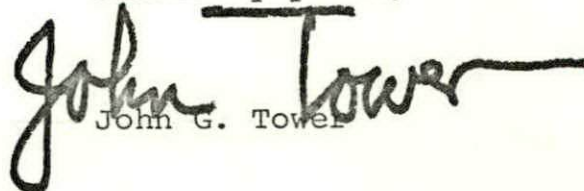
Dear Mr. Torrey:

You were most kind to provide me with a copy of your May 1, 1973 letter to the Republican Party of Travis County. I am most appreciative of your kind remarks concerning my service in the United States Senate.

Your comments concerning the recent disclosures here in Washington involving certain White House personnel are, I fear, quite accurate. I have confidence that the President is doing everything within his command to rid his staff of those who committed such a thoughtless act. It is unfortunate indeed that some of his most trusted advisors did not serve him well.

Please call on me and my office whenever I might be of some assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,


John G. Tower

JGT:WSb

postage paid

*Tremaine, Ruth
Watergate -
Pro President*

June 11, 1973

Miss Ruth E. Tremaine
Box 126
Murphys, California 95247

Dear Miss Tremaine:

Thank you for your letter of June 1. I appreciate
your taking the time to give us the benefit of your
views.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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Murphys, Calif.

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June 1 , 1973

The Honorable George Bush

Chairman of the Republican National Committee

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I do not feel like helping a committee that does not help Mr Nixon, but you may not have seen something I saw or rather heard. I live alone and my T V is my company. It is amazing how often peoples thoughts come over and above their words. There is only one man besides Mr, Nixon himself who believes Mr. Nixon had nothing to do with the bugging of Waregate and that is Senator Kennedy. When he said Mr. Nixon was not involved ^{his} voice said he knew he was telling the truth.

I was surprised to find that the Cubans were Bay of Pigs men. For years John Kennedy has been condemned for that and his brother has had to listen in silence. To listen to the Senator he simply hates the ground Mr. Nixon walks on The Cubans attended a banquet at the Watergate before they tried the first time. Do you suppose it

started as a drunken party joke and developed as time went on.

After all only the Democrats could have profitted by the stunt.

Do you have complete tapes of the President's speeches last year? ~~When he announced to the nation that he had had to~~
to send the navy and the air force to Viet Nam some where in the
Middle of his speech he made the remark that he had been betrayed
by some one he trusted. It did not fit with what he said before it
or afterward. It would have been about the time one of the men
testifying before the Ervin Committee said there was a change in the
campaign plans. After that the President mentioned at least two
times that he would not campaign but people would have to judge him
by what he did. That would leave his committee entirely on its
own. Perhaps that was when ^{someone} they became a tool for a clever
Democrat.

Democrats have always slandered Republicans by innuendo so it
with great delight when I hear them complain because people
say all politicians are alike I feel a little better then.

*Forgive my errors. I am partially blind
Do help Mr. Nixon Loyalty to candidates is
needed Ruth Freeman*

P.S.

Did you know that the treasurer of the Democratic Party
Bragged on T V that he and Bescom (is that the right name)
set up the trip to Mexico for the Treasurer of the Republican Party
to receive the bad money?

Do you suppose seals with the words" remember the half truths of
Watergate" --- seals that we could use on our letters--- could
be provided by the Republican Committee/

Don't joke about Watergate. We want a better system of
choosing our Presidential candidates.

I have just finished reading your *Letter. Truman* letter. The print was large

enough to read with a microscope.. From the T V sp eeches about
his campaign , the President did not campaign with his committee.

Republicans were not initially involved in the "Bay of Pigs
affair" so would not be so apt to contact "Bay of Pigs" people.

I have never heard the press speak well of Richard Nixon so why
should we trust the press now.

Besides listen to the broadcasts put out by the Press glorifying the Washington Post and the New York Times . Methinks they do protest a little too much. All tides do have to run all the way out. One instance of skullduggery on the part of the Democrats in any of this just might bring the tide back with a Tidal wave.

Does the Constitution say that the press has a right to rule the country because it can dell more papers if the build up a political scandal.

The President took the Easter theme for his defense. So he " As a sheep before his shearers is dumb ,he opened not his mouth. But the T V audience saw and heard only a few minutes of Republican activity at the Cow Palace in '64. Mostly riots at the Democratic convention in 68, Even the press described the skullduggery in the Democratic convention in '72. How can we believe the Democrats are honest even if we don't see all they do. Any3ay the Republicans can always say we were cleaned up by the Democrats so you di know what we are.

Miss Ruth E. Freeman
Box 126
Murphys Calif.
95247



The Honorable George Bush
Chairman of The Republican Party
310 First Street S.E.
Washington, D.C.

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*Turner, Ms. Shelia
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Watergate*

June 7, 1973

Ms. Shelia Turner
12 Exxex Street
Portsmouth, Virginia

Dear Ms. Turner:

Thank you for your recent note and for your financial support. We very much appreciate it.

The sordidness of Watergate symbolizes everything I oppose in politics and everything I know you oppose. But I am confident the Republican Party will not suffer. The losers will be those who broke the law. They will not be the workers, Party members, or Reppbican officeholders who in no way were involved. The President has taken decisive action and has guaranteed that this entire matter will be pursued until the guilty are convicted and the innocent cleared. President Nixon personally made this commitment during a recent Cabinet meeting at which I was present.

Thank you so much once again, Ms. Turner, for expressing your support in the President. Certainly his Administration has a record of accomplishments of which it can be proud. I'm taking the liberty of enclosing some statements on the issue which I think you or your friends might be interested.. in.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

Enclosure

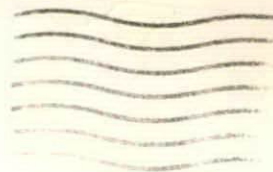
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Please don't let nothing ~~happen~~ happen
to our President, For I love him.

He has my vote

Thank You

Shelia Turner

Shelia Turner
12 Essex St.
Portsmouth, VA, 23704



Honorable George Bush
310 First Street S.E.
Republican

National Finance Committee

Washington, D.C. 20003



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Issue

People Serving You

Tuttle, J. Walton
Watergate

June 14, 1973

Mr. J. Walton Tuttle
82 Concord Street
Framingham, Massachusetts 01701

Dear Mr. Tuttle:

Thank you for your letter of May 18.

Certainly you raise some valid points about the hearings. I read Vice President Agnew's statement on this with keen interest.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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Republican National Committee

George Bush, Chairman

June 11, 1973

Mr. J. Walton Tuttle
82 Concord Street
Framingham, Massachusetts 01701

Dear Mr. Tuttle:

Thank you for your letter of May 18.

From what I have observed of the televised portions of the Senate hearings and from what I have read about them, I think the comparison with the McCarthy proceedings is not a valid one. I am concerned that the Senate investigation may make it more difficult -- or even impossible -- to obtain convictions of anyone who may be proved guilty in a court of law, and that does bother me greatly.

But I still believe firmly that the main motive of the Committee members, of both parties, is to arrive at the truth. I do hope that in their continuing interviews they are scrupulously careful to protect the rights of all their witnesses and all those who may be implicated.

Yours very truly,

George Bush
George Bush

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I recall Vice President Agnew's
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82 CONCORD STREET
FRAMINGHAM, MASS. 01701

May 18, 1973

MAY 22 1973

Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Bush:

Thank you for your reply of May 2, 1973.

I hasten to assure you that I, and no one else, objects to the prosecution of the perpetrators of this Watergate affair through regular judicial channels and the imposition of sentences that are commensurate with the infraction involved. I say this even though the leaking from the Grand Jury rooms is, to say the least, pitiful.

I do seriously object to the United States Senate carrying on a McCarthy type proceeding investigating the affair with the idea of future legislative changes, when anyone with an ounce of sense knows that this investigation is not being carried on for the purpose of future legislation but with the express intent of involving the President. It is ironic that the Democratic majority which objected so strongly to the McCarthy type hearing is perfectly willing to carry on one that is favorable to them. This Senate investigation is nothing but a political inquisition.

Very truly yours

J. Walton Tuttle
J. Walton Tuttle

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Tuttle, J. Walton
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Watergate

May 2, 1973

Mr. J. Walton Tuttle
82 Concord Street
Framingham, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Tuttle:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the Watergate incident. I very much appreciate your sharing your views with me.

I recognize that some people may be trying to blow the Watergate incident out of proportion, but at the same time I think that the connotations of Watergate are very serious, and I think they degrade our political system -- not just Republicans or Democrats-- but our whole political process. The Senators who are participating in the investigation are doing it out of conviction. They too believe in our political process and they want to see the whole matter cleaned up. I consider myself a very loyal Republican, but I don't consider the bugging of Democrat headquarters to be the kind of thing we should condone or cover up. The President recently expressed this same feeling to me.

With the decibel count rising, fair play dictates a balanced look at this matter. I worry when proceedings before a closed session of a Senate committee are methodically leaked to the press. And I worry about smearing innocent people before the grand jury calls the witnesses. I have, Mr. Tuttle, made my feelings on this very clear, and have done so repeatedly in my public statements on the Watergate incident. The entire case is now in the hands of our criminal justice system, which I am sure will clear up the matter. I believe politics to be a noble calling and these kinds of incidents hurt it. I recognize they go on on both sides, to a degree, but I'd like to lend a hand in making politics a cleaner business. I'm sure you agree. Thank you again for your good letter.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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82 CONCORD STREET
FRAMINGHAM, MASS. 01701

April 20, 1973

Mr. George Bush, Chairman
Republican National Committee
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

It's about time that the Republicans awakened on this
Watergate affair. This is not a crime of violence and
does not merit a sentence for a crime of violence.

The United States Senate is taking on the duties of a
Grand Jury and is now conducting a political prosecution.
The sooner your committee wakes up and goes after the
boob fringe of the Senate which is conducting this probe,
the better off it will be for this country.

Very truly yours


J. Walton Tuttle

JWT/gl

Tyler, Dr. Herb
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Watergate

May 16, 1973

Dr. Herb Tyler
P. O. Box 1359
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Dear Dr. Tyler:

Thanks for your good letter. You certainly do have a fine attitude. Your positive approach to this miserable affair is like a breath of spring. I am confident that when the air is cleared the Party will not be made to suffer for the misguided actions of a few.

All our efforts here at the RNC are geared to electing Republicans to office in 1973 and 1974. With loyalty and dedication like yours behind us we can't miss.

Best wishes.

Yours very truly,

George Bush

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ALOHA; Very interested in the proceedings of the RNC and the Entire GOP.
I am an old line Republican. Clean Government, States rights of control
but protective Tariffs and Free enterprise in its fullest concept.

I with others presume some eager and unwise men maneuvered to get info on
the Democrats, Alls Fair in love and War and Politics is War between Parties.
But Why they did it is Mystery to me. At the time of the incident the D. Party
leaders were charging their minds as often as a mother chages her Baby's Diedy.
Information could not have been that valuable. (sic) But now Let's not let
the Press, Media, Public, Etc Stampede us into letting good heads fall to
satisfy the sore head losers. Lets prove our confidence and leadership.

IDEA:: I am putting a 'left over' Bumper Sticker "President Nixon
Now more than ever" On my Cars to show where I stand. Lets back Him.
He is (with all due credit to Eisenhower) the greatest thing that
has happened to the Country since Teddy Roosevelt. America has gained
much of our lost presige and influence. International Trade and Power
has gained more in the last four years than in the Last Seven Decades of
War and Peace. As I backed Bob Dole, I am behind your efforts, We will win.
Lets Get those seats in Congress and State Governship in 74. *HT*

SIGNED

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Herb Tyler