

our White House sources say . . . He is also drinking more martinis. Sometimes his friend, Bebe Rebozo, mixes a small pitcherful before they sit down together for an evening's relaxation . . . The President's favorite is what he calls an "in and out" martini. He pours vermouth over the rocks, swishes it around and dumps it out. Then he adds the gin . . . The President is often restless at night and loves to take off on impulsive drives with his friend Bebe . . . The President fiercely reiterated at a private breakfast with Speaker Carl Albert that he has no intention of resigning. Nixon said he recognized his popularity had plummeted, but he wasn't going to let the popularity polls drive him out of the White House. The late Harry Truman fell even lower in the popularity polls while he was President, Nixon recalled. He swore to Albert that he had committed no impeachable offense . . . The two aides who spend the most time with the President are Gen. Alexander Haig and Ronald Ziegler. The President has developed a strong personal affection for Ziegler, but Haig has replaced the ousted H. R. Haldeman as the most powerful aide, our sources say . . . Increasingly, the President is turning all domestic problems over to Haig to handle and concentrating his own attention upon foreign affairs.

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Inside the White House—Although President Nixon meant it when he swore he would "fight like hell" against Watergate, he is losing his zest for battle and showing signs of strain,