

s Nixon Nominee

firms are subject to security "overobligation." Such over- and management monitoring spending also causes problems at all times. . . . Use of the sys- for the businessmen who deal tem constitutes consent to with the Pentagon. Last fall, monitoring for these pur- for example, the American poses." Presumably, those who Transfer Company of Balti- do not consent are required to more hauled some general install their own telephone freight for the Navy and rou- system. tinely submitted its bills. Back

OAS Skulduggery — Em- came the reply that, because ployees of the Organization of of the "over obligating," the American States have come to company would be paid only us with details of internal when the Navy received skulduggery. The charges in- "additional funding and ap- clude mismanagement of funds proval from Congress." In and violation of employee other words, the day of reck- rights, especially American oning comes when a contrac- employees. This latter revela- tor has to be paid. Then the tion is likely to affect the men with scrambled eggs, on the American contribution to OAS. their hats winds up with egg The U.S. has supplied 66 per- on their faces.

Super Punch Bowl—Brig. Gen. Edmund Montgomery II, chief judge of the Army's Judge Advocate General re- serve corps, appreciates the cooperation his men have re- ceived from the JAG school in Charlottesville, Va. To express his thanks, he has initiated "Operation Punchbowl Mem- orial." He is dunning some 600 reservists \$5 each to buy the school a punch bowl. The most expensive punchbowls rarely cost more than \$300. A rough calculation, however, shows that the general could raise as much as \$3,000. He would even be happy, he told us, if he col- lects \$2500. As one amused re- serve colonel told us, it prom- ises to be "one helluva punch- bowl."

Telephone Monitoring—Fac- ulty members at the U.S. Na- val Academy have been told "Big Brother" may be listen- ing to their telephone conver- sations. An item in the school's weekly administrative bulletin states: "All personnel are advised that DOD (Department of Defense) Tele- phone Communications Sys-

the State Department has as- sumed a "hands off" posture. **Unpaid Bills** — Several months ago, we reported that the brass hats who run the U.S. Navy had, in the past sev- eral years, spent some \$100 million more than had been authorized by Congress—a se- rious law violation that the bu- reaucrats refer to as