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Former President Nixon became furious and cursed at a newspaper photographer who was waiting to take his picture outside a Long Beach Memorial Hospital laboratory yesterday,

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KENT HENDERSON He said he was stunned the cameraman said.

Kent Henderson of the Long Beach Independent Press Telegram told his colleagues he was in a hallway outside the hospital's nuclear medicine lab when the former President was wheeled out by an attendant.

Henderson said Mr. Nixon's face twisted angrily and he shouted, "You goddamn son of a bitch!

The photographer was so stunned he failed to shoot. the picture before the at-tendant whirled the wheelchair and returned the patient to the laboratory, where he had been undergoing testing to find the cause of his phlebitis of the leg.

Karen Krantz, hospital public relations staff member, said Mr. Nixon had asked that no more photographs be taken during his stay.

Mr. Nixon is expected to be released from the hospital today.

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Mr. Nixon was being wheeled down a hospital corridor in this photo taken Monday.