

Nixon Rejects Session With Probe Panel

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President Nixon yesterday rejected proposals that he meet with the Senate Watergate committee but promised full disclosure of all Watergate information to Congress, the public and the courts.

After two more meetings with congressional Republicans, Mr. Nixon was quoted as saying it would be inappropriate for him to submit to cross-examination by the committee. But he indicated a willingness to meet privately with Chairman Sam J. Ervin Jr. (D-N.C.) and Sen. Howard H. Baker Jr. (R-Tenn.).

Ervin insisted that the President should meet with the full committee and not with a part of it.

While rejecting the formal meeting with the committee which some Republican congressmen suggested to him, Mr. Nixon said he intended to speak out in defense of his record in interviews, press conferences, public meetings and conferences with members of Congress.

The President's first public speech since he began the series of meetings with congressional groups will be before the National Association

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tion of Realtors here this morning.

Three additional speeches tentatively have been planned out of the city in the next few days but have not yet been officially announced. The first of these would be Friday or Saturday before the Associated Press Managing Editors' meeting in Orlando Fla.

The President plans to fly Sunday to Macon, Ga., where he will participate in two ceremonies, one honoring former Democratic Rep. Carl M. Vinson and the other marking the 100th anniversary of the Mercer Law School.

On Tuesday, the President is scheduled to speak to the Republican Governors Association meeting in Memphis, Tenn.

The President has not spoken in public outside Washington since Aug. 20 when he addressed the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in New Orleans, an event mired by an assassination threat and Mr. Nixon's shoving of White House press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler.

One White House official described the President's efforts to explain his case to congressmen as the prelude to "taking the offensive in every form possible."

In addition to the speech before the realtors today, the President has scheduled another breakfast meeting with House Republicans, a late afternoon meeting with Senate Republicans, and a

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Rep. Marvin L. Esch (R-Mich.) said yesterday he thought that President Nixon's most interesting comment at his breakfast meeting with House Republicans came in his discussion of the probable effect of any appearance he might make before Congress to state his case in the Watergate affair.

Mr. Nixon "said the Democrats would say 'he's a lying son of a bitch,' and the Republicans would say 'he's probably lying but he's our son of a bitch,'" Esch said.

luncheon for an estimated 50 or 60 House Democrats.

Rep. Joe D. Waggonner (D-La.), one of the most conservative Democrats in Congress, is making up the luncheon guest list with White House aides.

Yesterday the President held a breakfast meeting with 75 House Republicans and a late afternoon meeting with 14 Senate Republicans. By the end of the week, all congressional Republicans will have been invited to the White House meetings.

One House member reported that the President promised strong support for special prosecutor Leon Jaworski, promised to keep more closely in touch with members of Congress, including "backbenchers," and to go along with any court order. Rep. William S. Cohen (R-Maine) said that the President indicated he wanted a "meeting or discussion with Ervin and Baker about the documents and other stuff that they think is necessary. But he does not think it would be appropriate for the President of the United States to be interrogated by the committee itself."

Cohen said that the President told the group that "what I have said in the past will stand up in the future" when more documents are made public.

The President argued against a court or congressionally appointed prosecutor because it would delay completion of the Watergate investigation, Cohen reported.

The congressman said that Mr. Nixon criticized former Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox for engaging in "fishing expeditions" and for being more interested in bringing lawsuits than in getting the facts.

Rep. Albert H. Quie (R-Minn.) reported that the President said many of the Watergate facts had been given to Cox and that he did not make them public. Jaworski has the facts and will soon be ready to publish them, the President was quoted as saying.

Rep. Hamilton Fish Jr. (R-N.Y.) said after the breakfast meeting that the President "drew a cheer" when he vowed he would not resign.