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WXPost 11/11/73 finally arrived; looked all through editorial section twice, couldn't find; found on p. 1, news section, "The Inner Nixon Weighs Watergate," Lou Cannon.

We never see LATimes but SFChronicle uses its service. The edition of the Chronicle we get did not carry this article by the UCLA political science professor, Bernard Brodie, and this is the first time we've seen the name. Too bad Cannon didn't give a better date than "last week."

However, we were able to find the Wall Street Journal (copy enclosed). Had heard read on the local CBS news the paragraphs marked in the copy, treated as a ha-ha item - and with the word "soundly" changed to "lightly." This was on the 11 a.m. news; checked all through the day but didn't hear it mentioned again, either on CBS or KGO. Eason included it at the beginning of his afternoon talk show. His callers were very upset by it, had not heard of

it and some' wouldn't believe he had either; finally had to have his producer get something he could read to the audience. Don't know whether the producer called CBS or got a copy of the Wall Street Journal, but probably the former since Eason, too, didn't use the word "soundly." He might have used "lightly" or simply left the word out altogether - can't remember.

One of the callers said he had watched the Nixon-APME thing on a set in a department store, that others were doing the same, that all felt an undefinable "something wrong" with Nixon. One woman finally said she ~~said~~ thought she knew what it was: "He's acting just the way I do when I'm on my heavy tranquilizers."

By the way, did you notice on that occasion the little lurch as Nixon stepped off the podium, and the tugging at his collar?

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