

Two Men Arrested

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Nixon's Life Threatened

MIAMI (AP) — Two men charged with threatening the life of President Nixon in connection with the war in Vietnam were ordered held on \$200,000 bond each here Friday as Nixon relaxed a few miles away on Key Biscayne.

The men, both arrested Thursday just before the President arrived for the weekend

were George W. Baker, 51, of Miami and John Anthony Baker, 24, of Breezewood, Pa.

Police said they were not related.

Asst. U.S. Atty. Mike Osman said George Baker was arrested on a charge of assaulting a federal officer and John Baker on a charge of threatening the life of the President.

The Miami man, Osman said, wrote Nixon in May and said if his son in Vietnam were killed he would kill every federal official he could find from the members of the local draft board all the way up to the President.

"Because the President was coming to Florida the Secret Service went to his house Thursday," Osman said, "and he invited them inside and then got the drop on them with a high powered rifle."

Baker was subdued without anybody being injured, authorities said.

Osman said the rifle, complete with a telescopic sight, was confiscated along with three other rifles and three pistols.

Neighbors of the Baker family in Miami said four carloads of Secret Service agents were awaiting Baker Thursday evening when he came home from his job at Pan American Airways.

"A short time later," said a woman, "they came out with an armload of guns. I didn't hear any shots."

She said Baker was a husky man with close-cropped white hair, who kept to himself.

Nixon left for the Bahamas Friday afternoon but Ron Ziegler, his press aide, said shortly before he left that Nixon had not been in any direct danger on Key Biscayne.

"There was no problem involved in the direct security of the president on his visit to his Key Biscayne compound," Ziegler said. "And at no time was the personal well being of the President directly involved."

Ziegler said both men were

arrested before Nixon arrived Thursday night.

In Washington, D.C., Jack Warner, a Secret Service official, said George Baker's letter contained "a veiled threat to the President."