

Js, HR- It seems to have dawned on the Post that in printing the verbatims on Ehrlichman and now Haldeman what they are really doing is retailing Nixon's propaganda, not testimony. So, they cut back on that. With parts of Haldeman's testimony, this is sad, for me. I would particularly like as much verbatim of that cute point where he said it you tell me I have to I'll tell you about the tapes. Any my lawyer has the letter. The Post paraphrased without understanding the exquisite Chotiner that was to follow. Now don't rush to copy anything. If the Times carried, based on his "track record" and his "game plan", at this point in time I'd say that it would become operative from HR. But if the Times doesn't carry it, I'd like any direct quote from Haldeman and Wilson. Somehow, in all that jazz about conflict of interest, they all forget he also represents GL. Great staff work, that. As most of it has been. (Mine, too, when Jim raised questions about Butterfield's spontaneity! What timing!) They missed much today, too, on the tapes. Don't know if Sussman really understood when I phoned, before H. said he had the tapes for 24 hrs. Reel-t-reel yet, which can be erased. If they dubbed, they "transcribed", GL's operative word, that he hadn't, hadn't permitted, and wouldn't, written after he had... Pay close attention to several short snatches if the Times has a verbatim. On Helms on Bay Rigs mention, on how defunct the whole FBI and DJ are because they have no proof of any Demo connection with violence when everybody just knows they are behind it all. Ask Haldeman, GL, Ehrlichman. (This was one of the rare moments iron-puss showed emotion-what hate! (He doesn't even blink as much as humans do.)...I watched Baker and Thompson work today and my ideas are firming. They are open but undetected. People listen to Baker's tone, watch his face, believe his self-representations, but the words are the thing, and they are covering up and smoothing over. He is conning old Sam. His motto is speak loudly but carry a soft stick... That they have all taken the most serious misconduct from that disgrace to white liar (mine still brown) Wilson is not a good augury. His sole function is to counsel his client. Past that he trespasses. Loudly and insolently. Today party-politically... I've seen as many as 1,000 Nazi Nazis, close up, at one time, and never have I seen such emotionless faces except the few flashing, fleeting moments when they permitted anger to show. Then it was hate. HW 7/31/73