

Nixon's career is based upon and characterized by a series of the most outrageous false pretenses. ~~XXXXXX~~ From the re-baiting of the anti-Communist Jerry Voorhis to The Watergate, there is no end to them. Nor was there one too preposterous for him to attempt for the press to accept. Nobody ~~any~~ else could have gotten away with them and lmost nobody else would have had the gall to try them.

The key one when he was caught re-handed in his opponents' pockets was the pretense that the Committee for the Re-Election of the President was somehow not ^{him} ~~how~~, was separate and distinct from him. In fact, it ~~is~~ as him, his paranoid creation. He just ~~didn't~~ didn't trust the party pros at a time when he had ever reason to believe he was in trouble, the first President of recent years not to be re-elected. Despite the overwhelming total of his vote, two things seems to have made his re-election possible: the attempted assassination of George Wallace and the success of his Gestapo in its ~~war~~ domestic warfare against his stronger opponents. Questions about Arthur Bremer, the would-be and very sick assassin who delivered the Wallace vote to Nixon, remain unanswered, indeed unasked by Nixon's FBI and Department of Justice. And they were so anxious to preempt the case from Maryland jurisdiction that FBI agents literally shook the local prosecutor. To this day the government, Nixon's government, has never accounted for the financing of the man who may well have put Nixon back in the White House.

May 1971 polls shows Senator Edmund Muskie with a significant eight-point lead on Nixon. Wallace was then a candidate and in good health.

The "when I'm the candidate I run the campaign" Nixon consulted his kind of people, not politicians. His Madison Avenuers, based on his very low personal popularity, urged him to stress the office rather than his name. His ~~own~~ personal campaign machine, his ~~way~~ way of by-passing the professionals of his party he did not trust, mentioned neither his name nor that of the party. It was made to appear to be some kind of noble project, a high dedication, "The Committee for the Re-Election of the President."

For it ~~he~~ emptied the White House and gather from elsewhere not experienced, professional politicians but loyalists from the advertising world and young lawyers

led by a few experienced men of demonstrated lack of scruple, men like Mitchell and Stans. The simple tests seem to have been primarily personal loyalty to Nixon, ~~then~~ that meant there would be no questioning, a blind following of orders, and unscrupulousness, with the professional prerequisite an ability to sell the product. It was like a project for selling a deodorant.

Creep immediately became Nixon's weapon against his stronger opponents, and here it took over from the White House the function and some of the personnel of Nixon's personal Gestapo, Senators Edward Kennedy, wrongly believed to be a secret candidate, and muskie, were then the two strongest. So, Nixon's thugs in Ivy Leagues went to work on them.