

WxPost WG covering-up- Brooke face-to-face demand that GL resign 11/14/73

At the beginning of the Jerry Williams show last night (8-12) he reported a wire-service story that Brook had told Nixon to his face at their White House meeting that Nixon should resign. This morning's Post, which begins that particular story with quotation of Gurbey on what had transpired, makes no reference to this. Space can't be the reason because the story ends with day-old "news." It and the companion story; the paired leads (cols 7,8, top p. 1) are exceptionally favorable to Nixon in what they select to quote. Both include uncritical repetition of the palpably self-service. Now Brooke is a black - former prosecutor - Senator - from the only State Nixon did not carry. All are reasons that make the newsworthy item more newsworthy. And doing this to Nixon's face, in the White House, in the presence of others, made it even more of a story. The point in referring to the Jerry Williams show is to show that it was within the capability of the Post to carry it. This also means that if the Post reporter missed it, unlikely with some experienced a man (Kilpatrick), their wires services did provide the news.

This one seems so raw I wonder how the reporters can stand it. HW