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John Ehrlichman told the Ervin committee that he was too busy with momentous problems to devote much time to Watergate. One of the matters to which he gave priority has now come to light. The editors of *Compton's Picture Encyclopedia* had routinely sent a copy of the *Compton Yearbook* to the White House library, and Ehrlichman on March 12 found time to fire off a letter criticizing the new volume. "Nothing that Senators [Vance] **Hartke** and [Hubert] **Humphrey** have written on today's veteran justifies in any way the price of the book. To the contrary," wrote Ehrlichman, referring to an article on amnesty by Humphrey and one on veterans by Hartke, the chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Ehrlichman said he was sending the *Yearbook* back because it was a "journal of very slanted opinion."

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