

Election-cancellation rumor/ your 7/12. The Chron 6/15/70 piece from the Times/Post service is close to enough for my purposes. Thanks for it and the list. Of the items, if the Scanlon's facsimile looks good, maybe I'd like to set it, not the piece, which I wouldn't quote. There is a certain and a possible to be considered along with this. First is timing. It could not more precisely coincide with GL's domestic-intelligence scheme, approved shortly after this leaked and surely in the works prior to it. This also fits with the paranoid fear of demonstrators of any kind, by GL and his Hustons. What may fit is the change in heads at Rand. My file has a strange void. A local man, whose father and brother I know, was made head of Rand some time ago. I don't know when Rowen left or why. Maybe coincidence. But GL is a very vindictive man who surrounded himself with very vindictive men. He/they are the kind who would have offed Rowen for the leak, perhaps not the day after the story appeared. I do not recall any Post story on this. In fairness to GL, it is the kind of thing that can't be refuted. In fairness to everyone else, it is the kind of thing he'd have pondered and could pull. So, if we have no answer, the reason given exactly fits what didn't come out for three years and could not be more credible than it is in the Ervin hearings. This tends to make it credible. If you knew about such a thing, wouldn't you leak it?...Full files: dropped the story on the local man making good. In local paper 3/30/72. It also said Rowen was leaving after five years at Rand. GL's patience that long?...Odd thing that it took more than three months for the story to be denied. Perhaps less odd that Mitchell denied, although one assumes he let no Rand contracts. Would you not say that this also is consistent with GL's apparent unwillingness to believe that he had the election sewed, his super-concentration on it to the exclusion of Congressional seats, his needless dirty-works, his hiding even his name from his re-election committee, even his divorce from the Rep. Nat Com.? HW 7/17/73