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President's brother Donald

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is a noisy wheeler-dealer

WASHINGTON — Donald Nixon, the President's likeable, loquacious brother, is an inveterate wheeler-dealer.

He talked expansively about his business ventures recently to a few visiting businessmen. One was my associate George Clifford,

Jack Anderson

posing as a realtor.

They met in a big, pastel building just off the Los Angeles-San Diego freeway in Fountain Valley, Calif.

The sign outside said "Hallamore Homes," but the proprietors were building empires, not houses. They were floating a stock offering; they were trying to line up customers for their modular housing; they were hustling; they were playing for the big buck.

Everything about their operation looked big. The founding father, Lloyd G. Hallamore, was large enough to dwarf most football linemen. His son, Barry, was even bigger.

But the biggest man in the room was Donald Nixon, who is only six-foot-two in physical size but sits high on the shoulders of the President of the United States.

The stocky, amiable Nixon, who was wearing blue trousers and a light blue, open-necked sports shirt with a monogram on the breast pocket that looked like a jelly smudge, did most of the talking.

Government deals

He said the Navy was close to purchasing 1,200 Hallamore homes for personnel at El Toro Marine Air Station, near Richard Nixon's San Clemente estate.

Donald said other deals were being worked with Fred Harvey, Inc., a concessionaire in the national parks, which depends on the continued good will of the Interior Department to keep its lucrative contracts.

Donald Nixon winked.

He had also encountered considerable interest in Hallamore homes, he said, while traveling abroad as a vice president for the Marriott Corp., a large restaurant, food catering and hotel chain.

Discussion with Onassis

In Greece, he discussed modular houses

with Aristotle Onassis. Donald remembered that Onassis had sent to his hotel room roses with the longest stems he had ever seen.

There was also interest in Hallamore homes, said Donald, in Spain, Portugal and Brazil.

"The director of the National Bank in Spain told me he wanted these houses over there," Donald said, and he winked.

High finance

After the meeting, the participants drifted away. Four of them, including Donald Nixon and George Clifford, went to a roadside restaurant not far from the Hallamore plant.

"I've already eaten," Donald said from his side of the booth. But he eyed the menu hungrily and ordered a "melted burger" — a hamburger with melted cheese on pumpernickle — and a chocolate milk shake.

"Don't tell my wife," he said, and he winked again. He has a serious weight problem. But he would rather talk about making money than losing weight.

ANDERSON RIPS HALDEMAN

President Nixon's doorkeeper, H. R. Haldeman, has charged on the Today Show that I (Jack Anderson) was "grossly irresponsible" for releasing secret White House documents about the Indian-Pakistan conflict. Here is my reply:

This is a case of the liars calling irresponsible those who expose their lies.

Let me make the record perfectly clear.

On Dec. 6, President Nixon told congressional leaders that the United States was 'neutral' in the Indian-Pakistan conflict.

On Dec. 7, his foreign policy czar, Henry Kissinger, told newsmen that it was 'inaccurate' to say the United States was anti-India.

On Dec. 8, Kissinger issued secret presidential orders to the State Department, Defense Department and Central Intelligence Agency to seek ways to tighten the screws on India, and, if possible, to ship arms to Pakistan by way of Jordan.

In view of this record, I will leave it to the public to decide who is "grossly irresponsible."