

Watergate Frustrates Workings of White House

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Mr. Nixon's habit of withdrawal in times of crisis has become part of the man's unnerving mystique.

His friends like to characterize this withdrawal as a demonstration of supreme personal self-assurance and concentration, preparatory to the making of a major decision. His detractors call it weird conduct for a man who always has a wide pool of brainpower to call on.

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