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Hunt, who had³ been "blackmailing" the White House "from the beginning," sent at least five "messages" to White House and CREP officials, ~~then~~ threatening to disclose involvement of high WH officials in illegal activities unless he received large sums of money and a guarantee of clemency. * ~~Hunt's officials demand~~ "Sources" (story mentions government sources, investigators, Senate and Justice Department investigators) say that without the crucial element of a conspirator clearly being paid for silence, it would be difficult to prove obstruction of justice. Hunt's final demand ~~was~~^{is} to ~~be~~ Dean, asking for \$130,000 in addition to \$200,000 he had already received; Dean refused.

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*See entry 21 Mar 73, and AMP C, esp. footnote which refers to clemency.

Hunt meets with Paul O'Brien, CREP lawyer, in Bittman's office, makes demands for money which he insists must be paid by 21 Mar.

See entry 21 Mar 73, AMP- C, E, F, G