

14 Apr 73 (1)

Dean takes his documents (see 13 Apr) to Silbert and makes accusations against Haldeman, Ehrlichman, Mitchell and Magruder.

Jack Anderson, SFC 26 Apr 73

Magruder tells federal prosecutors that Mitchell and Dean approved and helped plan the bugging.

SFC 27 Apr 73 Bernstein/Woodward, p. 292

(from New York?)

Mitchell called to White House, visit not announced.

NYT 18 Apr 73 See entry, Mitchell, much of ....

Magruder tells Herbert L. Porter (according to Porter), "It's all over. I just came from the White House. The President has directed everyone to tell the truth."

SFB 2 May 73

"... an approach by Ehrlichman to Richard Kleindienst on 14 Apr." - Joseph Alsop, who gives no details.

WXP 1 Jun 73, Alsop

Kleindienst - Bernstein and Woodward: "The [Saturday] night before Kleindienst met with the President [Sunday, 15 Apr] to discuss the case, the Attorney General said that the 'Watergate case is going to blow up.' In a brief interview with a reporter Saturday night at the White House Correspondents' Association dinner, Kleindienst told a reporter who has been covering the Watergate case 'to follow the courage of your convictions.'" [This "reporter" apparently is either Bernstein or Woodward.]

WXP 18 Apr 73, Bernstein and Woodward

today  
Dean compiles list of those he thinks might be indicted, which he shows, same day, to Haldeman and Ehrlichman; list includes their names and his own. (See NYT 26 Jun 73 for names on list.) During his testimony 25 Jun 73 Dean submits this list to the committee.

NYT 26 Jun 73

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Nixon - "President Nixon's Watergate transcripts indicate he decided to expose the cover-up only after it dawned on him that he might be legally regarded as an accessory to it. In a strategy session with his two top aides April 14, 1973, Mr. Nixon, a lawyer, is warned by [Ehrlichman] that 'once you are possessed of a reasonable body of knowledge, you have an obligation to do something.' And the President himself conceded during that meeting that if knowledge of the cover-up makes one guilty 'then I have been since a week ago, two weeks ago.'"

Wall Street Journal 6 May 74, Carol H. Falk

Mitchell - "Much of a long April 14 meeting [one of several that day - check transcripts] between the President and aides Haldeman and Ehrlichman was devoted to how to get former Attorney General John Mitchell to accept some responsibility for the break-in at the Democratic National Committee offices." Ehrlichman suggests Rogers go to Mitchell and say, "The jig is up. And the President strongly feels that the only way that this thing can end up being even a little net plus for the administration and for the Presidency and preserve some thread is for you to go in and voluntarily make a statement." Nixon points out that Mitchell "hates Rogers." A M P A

Wall Street Journal 2 May 74, Carol H. Falk and  
Albert R. Hunt

- See entry, Mitchell called to White House ....

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① - Ehrlichman was the one who spoke to Mitchell, in effort to persuade him to take the blame for the break-in. Nixon suggested that he tape the conversation. This tape is not among those subpoenaed by the special prosecutor since ~~it is~~ ~~between~~ ~~Ehrli~~ Nixon is not involved in the conversation, but NYT 31 May 74 says Jaworski has the tape in his possession. The "sources" who confirmed this will not say how it was obtained. Ehrlichman-Mitchell meeting was this afternoon.

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NYT 31 May 74, John M. Crewdson