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Nixon - Reston column on conflicts between what Nixon says others ought and ought not to do, and what he does himself; that he "seems to be getting more restless, frustrated, and separated from his own office and even from the rest of his administration." "In one speech he plays the role of the Great Conciliator, calling for forgetfulness of the past, and in the next he is a glory merchant, forgetting nothing and forgiving nothing. It is all very odd, and even a little frightening."

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David Eisenhower, in impromptu interview: "I think it is disgraceful that Senator Ervin is willing to waive constitutional guarantees (of due process for the accused) for what he sees as a higher good." ~~Equating Ervin with Nixon's description of~~ (Echo of Nixon's description of protesters?)

Nixon's treatment of Ziegler in New Orleans was only a "slip in public ... like when he referred to student protesters as 'bums.'" But it did not represent his true feelings [in either example?]. Every President reveals himself to be human."

Was present at family discussion of Nixon resignation [4 May], says it was only an "off-hand, sarcastic" remark. ~~Like~~ "It was like, 'Should I resign? Should I jump off a cliff?'"

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Nixon and Agnew are targets of radio threats; authorities in Denver trying to pinpoint location, and believe man making the broadcasts is the same person who earlier in the month sent New Mexico authorities in search of lost boy, later said to be a hoax. Story does not say anyone has actually heard the broadcasts of the threats, quotes only one man "who first monitored the calls."

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Martha Mitchell "has told friends" she plans to leave Mitchell and has retained a lawyer to advise her on a separation.

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