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Nixon/tapes/Supreme Court - Newsweek magazine says it Nixon appeal of Sirica's decision "may be little more than the opening feint in a protracted strategy of delay," to allow him enough time to rebuild public support before case reaches Supreme Court. "By then, the thinking goes, he would argue that any Supreme Court ruling closer than 8-1 or 7-2 in favor of Cox was not the 'definitive decision' he had promised to obey; given enough public exhaustion with Watergate, he might even get away with it."

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Agnew investigation creative dxfrom - Investigation of corruption in Baltimore county began "sometime last fall," according to WXPost, after a disgruntled former employee of a Baltimore county engineering firm called IRS; IRS turned over what it found to U.S. Attorney's office in Baltimore; this led to letter to Agnew telling him he was under investigation.

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Gallup poll on Watergate hearings (date of polling not given) shows 52 per cent feel the hearings are "a good thing for the country" against 41 per cent who feel they are "a bad thing;" 57 per cent feel Ervin committee is more interested in getting the facts than in trying to discredit the Nixon administration, against 28 per cent who feel the opposite.

SFC 3 Sep 73 Field poll shows that of those it questioned (all in California), 74 percent had regularly followed the hearings. Approval of job Ervin committee is doing is 65 percent, against 24 per cent who disapprove. No date given for

SFC 4 Sep 73 polling. Yankelovich and Sindlinger polls (no date) find public confidence in Nixon increased following press conference 22 Aug. Sindlinger says approval is 50 per cent for the first time since the Ervin hearings began.

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