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Richardson denies statements made at two of the meetings between Nixon and congressmen, by Nixon and Haig, that Richardson lied about his role in Cox's dismissal. See story, which gives Time Magazine's account of Richardson's version of the events just before Cox was fired 20 Oct, including the fact that he was twice assured that Cox would not be dismissed; once on the morning of 19 Oct by Haig (when Richardson went to the WH to turn in his resignation) and again that same evening by Bryce Harlow, a few hours before WH announced Stennis "authentication" which included order to Cox not to take court action to get WH tapes and documents.

SFC 19 Nov 73 [Reuters]

Nixon, in Macon, Georgia, to attend birthday celebration for Carl M. Vinson, is cheered and jeered, including placard saying "The Emperor Has No Clothes."

SFC 19 Nov 73 [NYT]

Impeachment - At press conference on eve of Republican Governors' conference, Gov. Tom McCall of Oregon and Gov. Winfield Dunn of Tennessee agree that Nixon's decision to take the offensive against allegations of scandal involving the WH has succeeded in forestalling any resolution by the governors calling for impeachment or resignation, but warn him that he must answer the charges completely if he hopes to restore his credibility.

SFC 19 Nov 73 [WXP]

Milk price supports - Mansfield and Proxmire, on separate panel shows, reject Nixon's explanation at APME meeting 17 Nov that if he had not proposed an increase of supports to 85 per cent, Congress would have legislated an increase to 90 per cent and would have overridden his veto on that amount. Both point out that his vetoes have not in general been overridden; Mansfield says that in the current congressional session Nixon has vetoed nine bills and only one has been overridden, the war powers bill.

SFC 19 Nov 73 [Reuters]

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Tapes - See article by James McCartney, on tape and dicta-
belt of Nixon-Dean conversation 15 Apr 73.

SFEx 18 Nov, James McCartney [Knight News Svc]

Impeachment - Second column by J.J. Kilpatrick. "In
urging that the House get on with the impeachment of
Richard Nixon, I have in mind chiefly what seems to be the
good of the country. The nation deserves a formal
resolution.... If two-thirds of the Senate failed to
vote for his conviction and removal, he would have survived
the crisis and regained a position of leadership not
likely to be challenged again during his term. A
recent Harris poll turned up a shocking statistic: If
Congressional elections were being held right now, and the
choice were simply between Democrats and Republicans, the
Republicans would lag 22 points behind. In a close
race [next year] between evenly matched candidates ...
the GOP loss in the House and Senate ... could spell dis-
aster for the party. Some of the prospective damage could
be minimized, it seems to me, if House Republicans
themselves would now join a movement to get this misery
settled, once and for all, by the formal procedures laid
down by the Constitution. "

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Tapes - Panel of technical experts chosen to examine
subpoenaed tapes meets for first time in EOB to develop a
draft proposal for "pilot tests [and] to explore possible
ways to validate the recordings." See entries 12 and
21 Nov 73.

SFC 1 Dec 73 [WXP]

Rebozo apparently quintupled his income between 1969 and
1970.* He listed his net worth in 1969 as \$673,257, and
in 1970 as \$1,193,776. See very detailed story on his
real estate holdings, etc.

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1969: \$35,800

1970: \$170,000

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Hoffa says he was double-crossed by Colson and Frank Fitzsimmons, who succeeded him as Teamster president, in the deal releasing him from prison. For details see story.

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Ⓐ - Haig had claimed that Richardson originated the idea of stopping Cox from taking court action to get WH tapes and documents, contrary to sworn testimony by Richardson by Richardson before Senate Judiciary Committee (no date), and that Richardson had approved Nixon 's plan to stop Cox from taking court action.

Laurence Stern in WXP says Haig "went so far ... as to suggest that Richardson reversed himself at the last minute on the issue of Cox's dismissal as a political ploy aimed at winning the Massachusetts governorship."

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WXP 28 Nov 73, Stern