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Ehrlichman (Indians) - Leo Watchman, a Democratic member of the New Mexico House of Representatives, a Navajo, says on the House floor he had read that "an individual involved in Watergate is going to do penance on the Indian reservation. Here's one Indian that would like to go on record as opposing this individual...."

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Leo Watchman - See entry, Ehrlichman (Indians)

Special prosecutor - Column by Anthony Lewis on the unfinished business of special prosecutor's office, which Lewis says includes "a substantial amount of investigation that has been stymied until now for one reason or another. There is, notably, the whole large problem of the Nixon tapes and documents.... There is a widespread impression that the Special Prosecutor has had access to the Nixon materials since his resignation. That is not true. Court orders have kept the files closed during complicated litigation about their control and ownership. But the U.S. Court of Appeals has now indicated that it will help the Special Prosecutor if he cannot soon get an agreement on access from Mr. Nixon's lawyer. Within a relatively short time, that long-delayed scrutiny should begin.

"The single most significant area for investigation is the doctoring of evidence.... Who erased 18½ minutes from the tape of June 20, 1972, before it was given to the Special Prosecutor? Who altered and omitted large amounts of incriminating material on the tapes in making the transcripts for the impeachment inquiry?

"Another area still being investigated is violation of the campaign spending laws. Despite some reports to the contrary, the Special Prosecutor is continuing his inquiry into the use of political money by Mr. Nixon's friend Bebe Rebozo...."

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