

News story on Kissinger's address at AP annual meeting, New York, 23 Apr 73, does not mention his remarks on Watergate. * The following excerpts are from Reston's analysis, p. 1.

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At the end of his speech, Mr. Kissinger dealt with the editors' questions about Watergate and its effect on foreign policy. He ducked most of them, but asked for perspective and compassion: This is a hard time both at home and abroad; it is easy to divide over practical economic or personal problems, but after Watergate, the nation has to go on.

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It was quite an occasion. Mr. Kissinger knew that everybody in his audience was thinking about Watergate - and somehow he managed to deal with it with compassion for its culprits and victims - but mainly he managed to bring the great questions of the nation to the fore, and demonstrate what a serious man can do when he thinks and speaks about the fundamental questions before the nation.

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*Quote from Kissinger included in story on Dean by Seymour Hersh, NYTimes 24 Apr 73.

Also Reston, NYTimes 25 Apr 73.

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