

Nixon to Blast Senate on Asia War

Key Biscayne, Fla.

President Nixon breaks a six-week moratorium on public appearances today with a speech criticizing the Senate for what he calls its moves blocking his efforts to achieve a permanent peace in Southeast Asia.

With his address to a

Veterans of Foreign Wars convention in New Orleans, the President also will be embarking on a campaign to reassert his leadership in the wake of the Watergate scandal and he was reported ready to appeal for maintaining a strong defense posture in the post-Vietnam war period.

With him were his wife Pat and three of his aides — chief of staff Alexander M. Haig Jr., press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler and speechwriter Patrick J. Buchanan.

The President's last public appearance outside of the White House was on July 9 when he spoke in Kansas

City, Mo., at swearing-in ceremonies for FBI director Clarence M. Kelley.

From New Orleans, Mr. Nixon will fly to California for a stay of about two weeks at his estate in San Clemente. While there, he is scheduled to hold his first news conference since March 15. *United Press*