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FUND FOR HALDEMAN

STARTED ON COAST

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LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17 (UPI) —A close friend of H. R. Halde-  
man has set up a legal expense  
fund for the former Presidential  
assistant and is soliciting busi-  
ness executives for contribu-  
tions, The Los Angeles Times  
reported Saturday. 17 AUG

Twelve hundred letters were  
mailed from Los Angeles under  
the signature of Z. Wayne Grif-  
fin, a Hollywood film producer  
in the 1940's and 1950's who  
is semi-retired but still involved  
in various business and civic  
interests.

Mr. Haldeman and five other

defendants are charged with  
obstruction of justice in con-  
nection with the Watergate  
cover-up. They are scheduled to  
go on trial Sept. 9 in Wash-  
ington, D. C.