

## Flood of Wires Against Pardon

Washington

The White House yesterday received a flood of telegrams overwhelmingly opposed to President Ford's decision to pardon former President Nixon.

A spokesman said the White House was receiving about 700 telegrams an hour and they were running five to one against the pardon.

One wire read: "Roosevelt had his New Deal; Truman had his Fair Deal and Ford had his crooked deal."

Some of the telegrams just carried one word, "Outrageous," and others charged

that the "the coverup is being continued."

The spokesman also quoted two telegrams congratulating Mr. Ford, one advising "Hang in there, Mr. Ford," and the other simply saying "God Bless."

A spokesman for Western Union Telegraph Co. in New York City said that at 3 p.m. EDT 13,000 personal opinion telegrams and 12,000 mailgrams had been sent directly to the White House. He added the volume of messages sent was expected to reach 40,000 to 50,000 by the end of the day.

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