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Nixon's alternative to Agnew

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WASHINGTON — H. R. Haldeman says Richard Nixon discussed the possibility of appointing John Connally as vice president long before Spiro Agnew was touched by scandal.

Agnew was thought to be unahppy, Haldeman said, and it was rumored he might quit before the first term ended.

Haldeman said Nixon went so far as to discuss that possibility with Connally, the former treasury secretary now facing trial on bribery and conspiracy charges.

In an interview with CBS reporter Mike Wallace, to be televised tonight at 6:00 (Channel 5) on 'Sixty Minutes,' Haldeman also said:

- He though "Deep Throat," the Washington Post's mystery source for Watergate coverup information, had been Mark Felt, former associate director of the FBI.

- Secretary of State Kissinger is a highly temperamental man who often threatened to quit over major and minor issues.

- He agreed with Wallace that Kissinger was "as



ONE OF THE SCENES FROM H. R. HALDEMAN'S HOME MOVIES
Judge Matthew Byrne with President Nixon and John Ehrlichman

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hawkish as could be" in private but appeared anguished over foreign policy decisions in public.

- The late FIB Director J. Edgar Hoover fed information to Nixon —mostly to lobby for the bureau — "to pique the President's curiosity and his respect for the

FBI's ability to find things out and stay on top of things."

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Part of tonight's program will include some of Haldeman's home movies, made while he was Nixon's chief of staff. One scene shows Nixon meeting with Judge Matthew Byrne, who was

trying the Pentagon Papers case at the time he was offered the directorship of the FBI.

The interview was taped in Haldeman's Los Angeles home March 4-5 over a 6½-hour period and edited to two one-hour programs. The first was shown last Sunday.