

Washington Merry-Go-Round

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Agnew Muzzled—In an
 earlier column, we reported
 the backstage events that
 forced Spiro Agnew out of the
 vice presidency and lost him
 the chance to become
 President.

According to sources close
 to him, Agnew feels he was

euchred out of office by
 President Nixon and is eager
 to tell the story.

However, the former Vice
 President is "muzzled," said a
 friend, for another four years.
 Because criminal charges still
 hang over Agnew's head, he
 won't be free to publish his
 book until the statute of
 limitations runs out.

Meanwhile his attorney and
 erstwhile Nixon intimate,
 Charles Colson, has written a
 book, which discusses
 Agnew's downfall. We have
 had access to the page proofs.

As Vice President, Agnew
 sought to be impeached by
 Congress rather than indicted
 by a grand jury. Colson claims
 that President Nixon worked
 behind the scenes on Capitol
 Hill to undermine Agnew.
 "White House lobbyists,"
 wrote Colson, "had cut the
 ground out from under their
 own Vice President."

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