

Dear Js, Some time back I decided I'd have to address the workings of the Nixonian mind. I have since been looking for clues and keeping notes and clips that seem relevant. Perhaps I have addressed this more than what I remember, once saying I'd not be surprised if he really flips. Despite my beliefs, I was taken a bit aback when I saw and hears his boasting and posturing (and telling himself how important he is and how much meaning there is in what he does) on leaving the hospital yesterday. This was SuperNixon as SuperPresident at his Super-Best. From TV, and I saw two nets, it seems that he made not one but at least two statements. So, if you see any quote other than what the Post and Times carry, I'd appreciate those deathless words, few as they may be. HR will probably send the Times. He has been since returning. Too early for today's WxPost. And how odd, even for so odd a one, that he laughed about those who say the Watergate sickened him. Particularly if innocent, should it not have? He does these weird things. I'm sorry now that I gave away his post-midnight to the kids at the Lincoln Memorial, when they were there to protest his war policies and he went down to talk football to them. The bugging may well be part of this, not something more sinister, because all his imperishable words are also preserved, and editing would be a lifetime job. Is there one he could trust, paranoid that he is? He has actually come to believe that his thinking is great thinking. Whom the Gods would destroy! HW 7/21/73

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One of the interesting details of the Bennett (Mullen) deposition in the civil suits is that it has him on the lam from the first, when he was delayed, initially, by changed orders then, rapidly, changed again, and Liddy in the role of stay-behind contact man, getting and receiving orders and messages. During the early period, the Wed. after that Sat, hunt either had not left the area or Liddy had and joined him. It also has the wife back in NYC that Wednesday, I think 6/21, Hunt surprised in an expression conveying no warmth. He did not return to DC until after the beginning of the 7/4 weekend, then delaying until he had a lawyer. He rejected Caddy when Liddy arranged that. However, without it being spelled out, Hunt was also back in DC, for sometime about a week after the story was in the news they changed the locks. He returned after they had been changed, got in with the guard's help, removed his personal possessions. FBI never searched his office. No indication they examined it either of two visits. USAtty had airline tickets, motel bills, etc, so FBI did conduct an investigation. When Hunt went to work for the WH, his Mullen work dropped from 22-3 days per month to 17-20, vert little. Or he gypped, moonlighted or both (probably). Each day at WH cost him \$25, for his Mullen per diem was \$125. HW 7/19/73

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Bud, the secretaries from whom the Democrats took depositions are Diane Konowalski and Linda Jones. HW 7/19/73

Got NYTimes 7/10-13 inc today. Much!
Unread. But a note on a Saffire is "An Abomination!" I'll indulge myself and read instead of just filing, which I now much do with too much. HW 7/19/73

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