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Alioto Assails GOP For Watergate Affair

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SAN JOSE — San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto has jumped into the 17th Congressional District race charging that Republican high echelon involvement in the Watergate espionage incident would go unpunished.

Spending his day off from City Hall and the Look libel trial yesterday as the star attraction in a fund-raiser for Democrat James Stewart, Alioto accused Republicans of having a double-standard of justice.

"I ask you to contemplate what would have happened to any high labor leader whose men were found in the offices of a major corporation, equipped as those men were at Watergate; you can bet they would be prosecuted to the fullest, but we will see no Republican leaders indicted in this disgraceful incident," said Alioto.

Alioto also received a plug for his possible candidacy for governor in 1974, drawing eager applause from the partisan crowd at a suggestion he join with San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta as No. 2 man on a ticket in two years.

Alioto accused Stewart's Republican opponent, Rep. Paul N. McCloskey, of trying to run as both a Democrat and a Republican.

"But make no mistake about it, McCloskey is a Re-

publican who has been endorsed by the top people in the congressional campaign organization," he said.

Alioto told the crowd of 200 who had paid \$25 a plate to hear him that environment and economics were the big issues of the current campaign.

He suggested that McCloskey, who first came to pub-

lic attention in an environmental fight, was one of the radical conservationists who would stop all growth and building.

"Nature unadorned is not always more beautiful than nature somewhat adorned," Alioto contended, adding that a delicate balance is necessary between the needs of man and his environment.