

Haldeman in-law got \$50,000 ^{10/3/73} mystery ^{CDN} sum

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WASHINGTON — Disclosure of secret financial transactions in President Nixon's re-election campaign has drawn attention to the role of the brother-in-law of H. R. Haldeman, former White House chief of staff.

A report filed by the Committee for the Re-election of the President (CRP) shows that France M. Raine Jr., the brother-in-law, received \$50,000 in cash in March, 1972, from former CRP treasurer Hugh W. Sloan Jr.

The purpose of the payment is "not known," according to the latest report, which said the sum was "paid at direction

of others" who are not named.

A similar, mysterious sum of \$30,000 in cash was handed to John J. Caulfield, a former Treasury official who said he later relayed promises of executive clemency to Watergate wiretapper James W. McCord Jr.

TESTIMONY at the Senate Watergate hearings indicated that Raine, a real estate broker in Los Angeles, held one of the two keys to a safe-deposit box where hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash were kept for hush-hush campaign activities.

Raine got \$441.75 to pay for "travel" on April 6, 1972 — the last day the CRP could receive

contributions without publicly disclosing them under a new federal law.

Raine could not be reached for comment on the CRP report that he received the \$50,000 shortly before all spending had to be made public.

Raine worked with Herbert W. Kalmbach, then the President's personal lawyer, in buying Mr. Nixon's San Clemente (Calif.) estate in 1969, and his company received a \$25,000 commission for arranging the purchase.