

Excerpts From Statement by Dean to Senate
Committee Investigating Watergate

Washington, June 25 - Following are excerpts from the prepared statement of John W. Dean 3d before the Senate Watergate Commission [sic] today:

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somewhat strained relationship with Kleindienst and I thought he would rather have that than not have an assurance from Kleindienst that he would take care of everything. I did report, however, that I felt Pearson would handle the matter fairly and not pursue a wide open inquiry into everything the White House had been doing for four years. I made the statement that because of anything Pearson specifically said, as much as the impression he gave me that he was really the person who would be in charge of the White House in the next year.

Reputable news in the United States of Mr. Hunt's case. I was in the office on Tuesday, June 20th, when Mr. Callahan called several times to my office which contained the contents of Hunt's suit. During that period, I saw Mr. Callahan and through the review of the materials included in the case, which contained the audio recordings.

Among the items were various memoranda to the Chief of Staff, including a memorandum of the President's unit, a number of memos relating to Mrs. Fanny Hillberg de Bogus, some that had other cables sent together into one cable, several in the name of persons in the Kennedy Administration in the fall of 1969, in relation to Vietnam, and information regarding some discussion about the time between Mr. Tolson and Mr. Callahan, some later. The tendency to an investigation that had been conducted for Callahan, Chief of Staff, and Mr. Tolson, during the period of the Pentagon Papers.

Told to Shred Papers
I told Mr. Callahan that I had told me to shred the documents and that was the first time I ever saw what he meant by "shred". Since he had made it clear that he had said "You have a choice, you can either look at it or you can shred it," he said, "Yes, when you have a choice."

bridge on your way home, just toss the briefcase into the river."

After the FBI came to the office, I thought about what Mr. Callahan had said and I was very troubled. I raised it with Fielding and he shared my feelings that this would be an incredible action to destroy potential evidence. I think Mr. Fielding agreed with my quarry when Mr. Callahan said something, he expected it to happen.

I believe that it was on June 21st that I first met with Mr. Callahan in his office and he later mentioned regarding