

Public Apathy on Watergate?

To the Editor:

It is appalling that the American public could remain apathetic and not want to be apprised of what is going on in their government. I have been a student of history for many years. I could never believe, because I was too young to be involved in World War II, how Hitler came into being . . .

A little incident such as Watergate brought about an awareness that we were in a "Hitler regime." I too, as the people of Germany, sat passively by and permitted it to happen . . . Hopefully the events that have been brought to light will not permit our country to go the way of the dictator . . .

MARGARET BRADY
San Francisco

As the Watergate probe continues, the American people are slowly approaching the triumphant truth . . . The Democrats being envious of Richard M. Nixon's record have been unable to find a strong leader within their own party. Thus they are capitalizing on Watergate as an avenue to ride the donkey in to the White House in 1976.

There are also those Democrats and a handful of liberal Republicans who are happily attempting to penetrate the impeccable record of a great man. It is most interesting that these noise-makers have become so enthralled with morality . . .

K. J. FORSHEE
San Mateo

President Nixon was a shoo-in and didn't need the millions of dollars to buy an election but the lesser candidates did. If those lost dollars had been used to elect U.S. Senators and Congressmen the Republican party might have been able to control the various committees of the House and Senate. We end up paying for the investigations when in fact the elected representatives should spend their time legislating instead of procrastinating . . .

SHIRLEY BREWER
San Francisco

During the investigation it was clear that no positive actions could be taken to restore confidence in the American economy. I therefore sold my modest portfolio of run of the mill stocks and invested it all in gold stocks. Everything has gone according to plan. My gold stocks have doubled or tripled in value while almost all other stocks are down . . . I want to thank the Senate Select Committee for my good fortune . . .

H. H. SHERLEY
Daly City

We are controlled by hate. Liberal and conservatives alike. There are those who hate Nixon so much that no matter what evidence is presented in his behalf, they could not conceive of his innocence. There are also people who hate the people attacking Nixon so much that they would refuse to believe him guilty of anything — even if we saw pictures of him with Gordon Liddy in the Watergate . . . We're a miserable jury . . .

JOSEPH P. MEYERS
San Francisco

The government will live long after Watergate and it will be stronger than ever because of it. Already the monopolistic trails

of the oil companies, the ITT and others are beginning to have a closer look as their machinations are being uncovered. More attention is being given to the failures of the legislative bodies and the men that have been elected for a "per diem" instead of acting as representative of the people who elected them. Each of us will have to get into the act . . .

J. LEE MASON
San Francisco

As a Christmas gift, President Nixon commuted the prison sentence of America's top labor racketeer, Jimmy Hoffa . . . And now we are informed President Nixon has pardoned through "irregular channels" a major Mafia kingpin, Angelo "The Gyp" DeCarlo, after having served only 19 months of a 12 year sentence . . .

FORREST DYER
San Francisco

The new Cambodian compromise is surely the most sickening spectacle of all. Here's a Congress of spineless wonders knuckling again to Mr. Nixon and becoming his equal partner in the systematic bombing of the country whose people have never harmed or threatened us in any way . . . The only time this total insanity will stop is when we demand of our representatives in Congress that they stand up as men to the incumbent . . .

ARTHUR J. OST
Foster City

served humanity in Korea and thereby may have spared mankind from the scourge of global war.

President Truman termed the Korean intervention a "police action." Some GIs derisively responded, while doing duty in Korea, that it was "Truman's War" but Truman not only had the backing of the bulk of American people but was joined by more than 16 other nations of the world in the "peace keeping."

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