

Nixon Plays Hide-and-Seek

San Clemente

President Nixon spent about two hours at the beach here yesterday and then went for a drive over the Southern California countryside, eluding newsmen attempting to follow him.

A Secret Service automobile successfully blocked off two cars carrying photographers and reporters in the President's motorcade.

A White House spokesman said the President, accompanied by First Lady Pat

Nixon and his daughter, Tricia Cox, drove through the Camp Pendleton military reservation.

The President has shown increasing frustration with newsmen recently and apparently directed his press secretary, Ronald L. Ziegler, to end an agreement whereby newsmen from the two major wire services — United Press International and the Associated Press — are notified when Mr. Nixon leaves his compound here.

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