

Watergate Probe Plans

Washington

The Senate Watergate committee voted unanimously yesterday to turn all of its investigative files over to the House panel considering the possible impeachment of President Nixon.

The committee also agreed to a request by Watergate special prosecutor Leon Jaworski and voted to postpone issuance of its final report in order to avoid conflict with indictments expected later this month.

Chairman Sam J. Ervin Jr. (Dem-N.C.) said the committee agreed to ask the Senate to extend its existence until May 28, three months beyond the February 28 date on which the panel is scheduled officially to go out of business.

Ervin said the extra time is needed to avoid prejudging the rights of any person indicted in connection with the scandal.

Ervin said he had been told to expect "a number of

indictments" in the Watergate case this month and that many of them would be "settled by guilty pleas."

Among the former Nixon administration officials who still face possible Federal indictment are H.R. Halde- man, the former White House chief of staff; John D. Ehrlichman, the former White House domestic counselor, and Charles W. Colson, once special counsel to Mr. Nixon.

The committee has said it

wanted to question C. G. (Bebe) Rebozo, a Florida banker and close friend of Mr. Nixon, about his role in 1969 and 1970 in accepting \$100,000 from billionaire Howard Hughes.

In asking for a three-month extension of its mandate, Ervin said the committee also agreed to ask for an additional \$300,000.

When asked if the committee could complete its work and file its final report by May 28, Senator Lowell Weicker (Rep-Conn.) called that date a target which he said probably could be met.

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