

Notes on People by Laurie Johnston

Shortly after 6 A.M. yesterday, nearly two hours earlier than previously announced, James W. McCord Jr. slipped out of a side gate of the Federal prison camp at Allenwood, Pa., to go on parole. The 55-year-old former Central Intelligence Agency employe, whose letter to Judge John J. Sirica broke open the Watergate scandal, had served less than four months of his one-to-five-year sentence for his part in the break-in. A prison official, apologizing to reporters waiting at the front gate, said an employe who "didn't get the message" had driven Mr. Cord to the public highway to be met by his wife and daughter.