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In case you missed it, NY Times for 11 May, p19, has two column story from Miami based on deposition taken by Gerstein's office at behest of LA prosecutor in Pentagon Papers trial by Felipe de Diego, who describes how he, Barker and Gonzales broke into Dr. Fielding's office to photograph Ellsberg's files. Not too much new, except the de Diego appears to indicate he was led to believe it was a CIA operation when recruited for it by Barker. He's described as another ex-CIA employe. Let us know if you don't have and if you want.

EnGarde!!! NY Times for 11may73, ^{p37}~~p22~~ on a page of local news, has squib by Reuters from WX to effect that McCord is working on his memoirs, which according to Post columnist Maxine Cheshire has the working title of "Malice in Blunderland." You now not only have to beat McCord to the punch but have to think up a better title!!!

How about: "Watergate -- Fascism Aborted"? More and more I am impressed with how fortunate we are that the Watergate boil burst, one hopes in time to avert what was on the drawing boards. We're not out of the woods yet, of course, and other boils would have burst if Watergate hadn't, but ITT had no such impact, to mention one that did burst.

~~Best~~ Please clip from the WX Post its address and rates for mail edition. We've decided that the only way to handle this situation is to subscribe for three months or so. NY Times, for instance, is around \$15 for that length of time. Not bad, and it will save you a very onerous chore and expenditure of time when you've better things to do. Don't forget, thanks. Best, jdw