

# Nixon 'Unaware' of Spending on Home

## San Clemente

President Nixon was unaware of the details of more than \$700,000 in federal spending for improvements at his San Clemente home, a spokesman said yesterday.

Deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren repeated that most of the improvements were requested by the Secret Service as necessary for security of the President and his family.

The expenditures disclosed by the General Services Administration includ-

ed such items as \$1800 for a flagpole and \$4800 to furnish the President's study.

Warren would not respond when asked why such items were needed for presidential security, referring questioners to the GSA. He said Mr. Nixon's study is used as an office, and that the furniture would be returned to the government at the end of his term.

Asked whether Mr. Nixon was surprised by the number of projects, Warren said, "The President was unaware of much of this."

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