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**Mrs. Nixon Tells Press  
That She Is 'Full of Faith'**

WASHINGTON, May 17 (UPI)—"I'm full of faith and confidence," said Mrs. Richard M. Nixon Thursday when asked for comment on the Watergate scandal.

Asked whether President Nixon had been duped by his staff, she said: "I'm not going to say that they let him down until we find out whether they did or not."

"You know, really and truly," she told reporters, "there hasn't been anything that's happened for sure yet, and I'll have faith until I'm proven wrong."

She said that the Nixon family and the President had been deriving solace from letters expressing confidence in Mr. Nixon.

Mrs. Nixon chatted with reporters at the White House after receiving 60 wives of the participants in the President's Executive Interchange Program.