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James J. Kilpatrick's account of exclusive interview of Nixon
14 May. A.M.P. - A

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- Nixon: "I would have to rule out the rather fatuous suggestion that I take the 25th Amendment and just step out and have Vice President Ford step in for a while."

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25th Amendment - Nixon view. See entry James J. Kilpatrick.

Vesco (drugs) - Hearing is set for today by Senate Permanent Investigations subcommittee; first witness, Frank Peroff.

See entry 16 May 74.

WXP 17 May 74, Morton Mintz

Nixon flies from Key Biscayne to Abplanalp's island, Grand Cay; leaves at 3:05 p.m., plans overnight stay. Takes Rebozo with him. "This is the first time [Nixon] has gone to Grand Cay since last May 26.... At Grand Cay, Mr. Nixon will be with two of his closest friends - Rebozo and Abplanalp." See entries on Nixon mood, 12 and 21 May.

WXP 18 May 74, Stuart Auerbach

- NYTimes says Nixon and Rebozo were accompanied on flight to Grand Cay by Abplanalp. A.M.P. - B

NYT 18 May 74, Philip Shabecoff

Japan - WH announces Nixon will meet 21 May with Japanese Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ohira, who is visiting the U.S. The announcement "came as the Kyodo News Service reported from Tokyo that because of the impeachment proceedings in Washington, planning for an exchange of visits between President Nixon and Emperor Hirohito has been suspended." Japanese Embassy, WX, says Ohira's visit with Nixon was initiated by the WH.

WXP 18 May 74, Stuart Auerbach

"Rebozo Tied to Firing of Hughes Aide [John Meier]."

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Rebozo (A.D. Davis, \$50,000) - "A Rebozo associate" says Rebozo has carbon copy of a letter from Stans to Davis (no date) acknowledging receipt of a contribution received through Rebozo, with no mention of the amount involved.

Same Rebozo friend says Jaworski investigators are

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in Miami-Key Biscayne area and are expected to spend about ten days investigating Rebozo.

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Porter is released from jail (Lompoc) after serving 27 days of 30-day sentence; three days off for good behavior. Will now be on one-year probation.

WXP 21 May 74 [UPI]

- Three days added to the 27 served would have made the date of release 20 May, the dateline of the UPI story, which suggests UPI kept track and enquired at Lompoc.

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Ⓐ - From story by Lou Cannon on Kilpatrick intv:

"Warren confirmed that the President rather than Kilpatrick had sought the interview [the first personal intv since 14 Jan 73 with Saul Pett]. Asked about it at his daily briefing, Warren said: 'The President wanted to see Mr. Kilpatrick.'"

"The President said he expected that the remaining tapes of his conversations ultimately would wind up in a presidential library under guidelines that would protect his former associates from being embarrassed in their lifetimes."

WXP 17 May 74, Lou Cannon

Ⓑ - Mrs. Nixon and Mrs. Cox remain at Key Biscayne.

Reporters and photographers are not notified until half hour after Nixon's departure; follow two hours later by helicopter.

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