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Nixon (co-conspirator?) - LATimes says it has been told by "sources close to the defense" ~~in~~ (no date) that Watergate grand jury voted unanimously in Feb to name Nixon as an unindicted co-conspirator, and that this was communicated to Sirica and defense lawyers by Jaworski in a closed-door meeting "early last month." Indictment returned 1 Mar against seven defendants did not mention Nixon by name, listing only "other persons to the grand jury known and unknown." Sources say Jaworski made this disclosure to strengthen his arguments that Nixon should not be allowed to quash subpoena for tapes of 64 conversations.

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Nixon speaks at Naval Academy graduation ceremonies, on foreign policy.

Hughes' Hollywood office, which serves as a message and communication center for Hughes' personal affairs, is burglarized, "armed safecrackers" taking "rifling" personal files and escaping with \$60,000. LATimes says this is the third time this year that a Hughes office has been robbed or burglarized.

Chapin, by letter (no date) apologises to Humphrey and Jackson, taking responsibility for Segretti's acts.

Ehrlichman - WH, apparently breaking the specific agreement worked out 3 Jun with Judge Gesell that Ehrlichman would have full and direct access to his personal notes on presidential meetings, now takes the position that the WH will screen the notes to remove unrelated matters before turning them over. Hearing on WH compliance had been scheduled for ~~xxxxxxx~~ 7 Jun by Gesell.

Rebozo has sold (no date) Monroe Land and Title Co. to First Federal Savings and Loan Association of the Florida Keys.

F. Donald Nixon, Edward Nixon are intv'd by investigators of Ervin Committee staff, decline to answer some of the questions and do not return for a second session.

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Milk fund - Members of Judiciary Committee listen to tape, 23 Mar 71, of Nixon and others discussing milk price support; some members say later they heard no mention of campaign ~~contribution~~ pledges.

Tape, 23 Mar 71 (Nixon and others, milk price supprts) - See milk fund.

Ehrlichman, Mitchell - Jaworski, in answer to claims by the defendants (Ehrlichman, Mitchell only? - unclear) that their cases should be dismissed on various grounds, files legal documents in which he says Ehrlichman and Mitchell "had extensive knowledge" about the break-in when they told FBI agents that all they knew was what they had read in the papers.

Edward Kennedy - Jack Anderson says Kennedy, "it now appears from confidential White House documents," was the real target of the Watergate break-in. Says Nixon expected Larry O'Brien to manipulate the party machinery in 1972 in such a way that at the last minute McGovern would step aside, enabling Kennedy to win the nomination. "Nixon had scarcely settled into the White House in 1969 before he began searching for political ammunition to use against Kennedy and O'Brien."

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(A) - Sources on House Judiciary Committee say the grand jury's vote on Nixon was not included in the secret report and briefcase of evidence Sirica forwarded to the committee in March.

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(B) - "At the hearing on March 6 [on what ~~is~~ was to be done with grand jury's report turned over to Sirica 1 Mar] nearly all of the lawyers for the seven defendants argued that disclosure of the grand jury's report would lead to publicity that would prejudice the defendants' right to a fair trial. The defense lawyers who argued against release of the grand jury report did so in part to put their objections on the record. As one of the lawyers, John J. Wilson, stated, "We are making a record that if this does leak and it does prejudice us, the trial judge was warned of this the moment it could have been avoided."

NYT 18 Mar 74, Oelsner

(C) - See entry 7 Feb 75, Howard Hughes (break-in, 5 Jun 74).
13 Mar 75, "C.I.A. Link "
18 Mar 75, "C.I.A. Salvage Ship "
Hughes (burglary 5 Jun 74)

(D) - "A secret report given U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica March 1 [74] by the Watergate grand jury described the jury's belief that Nixon was involved in a conspiracy to obstruct justice in the case, The Washington Post reported. The contents of the sealed report were of particular interest, because the indictment itself did not discuss Nixon's guilt or innocence. The Post said that the report contained about 50 paragraphs outlining the evidence against the President. The document reportedly cited specific acts by Nixon as well as a theory of the case that he participated in the conspiracy to obstruct justice."

Congressional Quarterly, p. 556, under date of March 2.