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Nixon (resignation) - David Eisenhower says Nixon "didn't intend resignation as an admission of guilt, just of exhaustion."

He says Nixon would have preferred going through the impeachment process to resigning, but did not want "to put the country through all of that. The basic struggle was political from the outset, and politically he stood convicted."

He says that for the family, after "a year and a half" (?) of Watergate, it was a relief when Nixon finally decided to resign.

Eisenhower's views are given in a copyrighted story in the Philadelphia Sunday Bulletin, but from AP's account it is unclear whether the story was written by him or based on an interview of him. Eisenhower was a "contributing" sports columnist for the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin, early May through 26 Aug 73.

SF Sunday Ex and Chr 18 Aug 74 [AP], filed Nixon Clippings, 10 May 73 through 26 Aug 73, filed Nixon

David Eisenhower - See entry, Nixon (resignation).

Court cases - List of 28 WH aides and GOP officials; charges against them, disposition of cases. (Agnew, Barker, Chapin, Colson, Connally, Dean, DeDiego, Ehrlichman, Gonzalez, Haldeman, Hunt, Kalmbach, Kleindienst, Krogh, LaRue, Liddy, Magruder, Mardian, Martinez, McCord, Mitchell, Parkinson, Porter, Reinecke, ~~Gonzalez~~ Segretti, Stans, Strachan, Sturgis.)
Newsweek 19 Aug 74 (filed 12 Aug), p. 50-51

Nixon (pardon?) - Ford, at first press conference as President, ^{28 Aug} is asked, "Specifically, would you use your pardon authority if necessary?" Ford: " In the last 10 days or two weeks, I've asked for prayers for guidance on this very important point.... " Today would be approximately ten days; his pardon of Nixon is already being considered. See entry 9 Aug 74, Nixon (pardon?).

Entry 28 Aug 74, Ford is asked