

5 Sep 74 (1)

"Nixon in Exile: Lonely, Depressed" - Story is datelined San Clemente, 5 Sep. See entry 25 Aug 74.

" .... He wanders alone or with his friend, Bebe Rebozo, along Red Beach .... Sometimes he rummages through the stacks of unanswerd mail in his memento-strewn office or disconsolately plays the piano .... " Story quotes unnamed friend as saying "Anyone would be depressed in his situation. I don't mean he's going off the deep end .... " Another friend "says that Mr. Nixon's mind seems to wander when he talks. The friend uses the term 'absent-minded,' and says he is not suggesting that Mr. Nixon is unwell." This friend mentions Nixon's inability to say Jaworski's name. (Cannon notes the same manifestation in Nixon's call to Rep. Dan Kuykendall - see entry 26 Aug, Nixon, at San Clemente.) "The Nixon villa ... according to a person who was within the past few days, is pervaded by 'a sense of ruin.'" (See entry 25 Aug, for similar description earlier.)

"Aides and friends ... describe Mr. Nixon as hopeful that President Ford will grant him a pardon long before the case runs its course in the courts, although probably not before the Nov. 5 election." See entry, Nixon, emotional state.

WXP 6 Sep 74, Lou Cannon

Pardon - Benton L. Becker arrives in San Clemente this evening, having flown from WX with instructions from Ford to show Nixon a preliminary draft of Ford statement granting a pardon, and to complete negotiations on disposition of WH ~~pardon~~ tapes and documents. AMP-C, D

Time magazine 16 Sep 74, p. 11 - filed 9 Sep 74

Nixon (emotional state) - See entry, Nixon in exile ....

"Nixon is again the role player, as he has been throughout his career. Through calculated leaks out of the fastness of San Clemente has come the picture of a lonely exile suffering in silence. Hamlet walking the beach, to be or not to be, that was the role he assumed. It resembles in kind if not in degree the self-martyrdom that has repeatedly been at the core of his role playing." AMP-B

WXP 10 Sep 74, Marquis Childs

"[One of Nixon's friends (unnamed)] says he is worried that [Nixon] will become 'seriously depressed' unless Jaworski acts soon."

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(A) - See entry 2 Aug 74, Watergate box score.

(B) - See column by Charles McCabe 18 Feb 75: "Just not being a martyr is a severe deprivation for a man of [Nixon's] curious temperament."

SFC 18 Feb 75, Charles McCabe

(C) - "Ford Envoy to Nixon Was Reportedly Under Investigation by Government Lawyers in Tax Fraud Case." See clipping for details.

NYT 23 Sep 74, John M. Crewdson

(D) - Miller travelled to San Clemente with Becker.

CBS-TV, 8 Sep 74

(E) - "Haldeman's lawyers submitted a petition challenging the Watergate grand jury's authority to return any indictments ... after the jury's original 18-month term had expired." For other details, see clipping.

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"David Eisenhower Discusses Nixon" - Undated story. Intv was given "three weeks after Mr. Nixon surrendered the presidency." Discusses family's role in Nixon's decision to resign; says Nixon (in author's words) "told his family only reluctantly of the disclosure that finally forced him from office - the tape transcripts showing that he had withheld Watergate evidence." Says Nixon is "a natural resource" and that it would be a good idea if he ran again for public office, perhaps in the Senate.

SFC 5 Sep 74 [AP, Ann Blackman]

- See WXP same date for longer version; both include Eisenhower statements on other matters such as the climate in Washington leading to Watergate offenses, a climate, in Eisenhower's words, "which had developed over four years . . . Maybe it was the personality of Richard Nixon that inspired it." Says he thinks Nixon resigned because he was "losing the battle on the evidence."

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WXP 5 Sep 74, Ann Blackman, AP See entry 2 Aug, Nixon tells family ....

Resignation (Nixon family) - See entry, David Eisenhower discusses .... On another intv of Eisenhower, see entry 21 Jul 75, "Nixon's Final Days - He Wanted Love."

Haldeman - "Lawyers for H.R. Haldeman challenged the legitimacy of the Watergate grand jury today, which had named Haldeman a co-defendant in the Watergate cover-up case. The attorneys claim that Congress had extended the term of that grand jury in - quote - "one single piece of novel legislation.'" (Complete.)

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CBS News 5 Sep 74

Watergate grand jury (legitimacy of extended term) - See entry, Haldeman, Lawyers for ....

Ehrlichman - Justice William O. Douglas rejects Ehrlichman's petition for postponement of cover-up trial; request had already been turned down by Justice Burger 28 Aug 74.

WXP 6 Sep 74, George Lardner Jr.