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by Judge Gesell

Liddy is released on \$5,000 bond, reduced from the original \$100,000.

"The completion of his contempt sentence [for refusal to testify before a congressional subcommittee] made Liddy eligible once again for bond, pending appeal in the break-in and Ellsberg cases. His attorney, Peter Maroulis, filed a motion for the release last week and it was granted [today] in a brief hearing before U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell." Special prosecutor's office has no objection to his release.

WXP 16 Oct 74, Michael Getler

Laguna Niguel - "U.S. Comes Up Short in Trade for Building to House Nixon Records."

WXP 15 Oct 74, Ron Kessler

- "G.S.A. Official Defends Document Center on Coast."

NYT 16 Oct 74, Everett R. Holles

- Montoya says he will hold hearings on federal government's acquisition of building at Laguna Niguel unless GSA can provide satisfactory answers to his questions about the transaction. According to Montoya letter to Sampson (no date), "the U.S. taxpayers have given up \$27 million in otherwise productive government property for this facility that the Office of Management and Budget has called a 'white elephant.'" Montoya says the taxpayers could wind up paying another \$18 million for this "new world pyramid."

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Nixon (helicopter to Sadat) - "Government lawyers, digging through the small print in the Foreign Assistance Act, have now found legal justification for ex-President Nixon's gift of a military helicopter last summer to Egypt's President Anwar Sadat. At the request of Representative Jack Brooks (Dem-Tex) government auditors had questioned Mr. Nixon's authority to give away the helicopter. But the lawyers have now authorized the Agency for International Deveopment to pay the \$3 million bill, which also covers spare parts and labor. They cited a provision which authorizes grants 'essential to the national interest.'"

Nixon was in the Middle East 10 to 19 Jun 74.

SFC 16 Oct 74, Jack Anderson

- See entry 31 Jan 75, Arabian contributions to Nixon ....

- See entry 20 Jul 74.

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- Ⓐ - See entry 12 Sep 76, same heading.
- Chronology and file should be checked for other items on Laguna Niguel, beginning perhaps 10, 11 Sep 74, and following 15 Oct 74.

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Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1974, approved today.

See entries 31 Mar 75, Rebozo; 6 Apr 75, statute of limitations.

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Statute of limitations } See entry, Federal Election ....