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Nixon tapes and documents (suit) - From comment by George Will: "The instant President Nixon proclaimed, 'I am not a crook,' he probably knew he had armed posterity with words it would delight in turning against his historical standing. But he could not have anticipated that in 1975 the U.S. government would proclaim, in effect, that he was, is, and is likely to remain a crook." See clipping.

In Will's opinion, the documents should be preserved but the tapes destroyed, because "except when Mr. Nixon was talking to H.R. Haldeman, the taping was surreptitious" and an intrusion on other people's right to privacy.

WXP 12 Sep 75, George F. Will

Raymond J. Price Jr. (Nixon) - "[Price], who became a speechwriter for Richard M. Nixon in 1966 ... said the other day that he was 'deceived on some specifics' during the Watergate period. 'There was a lot I found out later that I didn't know at the time,' he acknowledged, but he said he had 'not changed my respect, understanding and sympathy' for the former President."

NYT 12 Sep 75, Notes on People, Laurie Johnston

Nixon supporter - See entry, Raymond J. Price Jr.

Korff, in WX, gives a \$23,000 check to one of Nixon's lawyers (unnamed), (AP:) "reducing the amount owed thus far to \$238,448, including \$64,841 the ... law firm ... billed [Nixon] for the months of July and August."

Korff says that while \$250,000 in legal fees has been paid, outstanding bills come to almost the same amount; says "I had hoped at one time that the total bill wouldn't exceed \$500,000," but anticipated legal actions may eventually exceed that total.

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See entry 25 Jun 75, Korff.

Nixon (legal bills) - See entry, Korff.

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Nixon properties (improvements) - See article by Peter Dale Scott on PL (public law?) 90-331.

"Passed as an emergency resolution within hours of the death of Robert F. Kennedy on June 6, 1968, PL 90-331 immediately authorized the Secret Service to protect all presidential candidates [and empowered it] to command the resources of other departments and agencies of the federal government in the performance of these duties....

"In 1974, in the midst of the Watergate scandal, three House committees reported how PL 90-331 had been used as a justification for the 317 million spent by the federal government on Richard Nixon's properties at San Clemente and Key Biscayne...." Scott says improvements to Nixon's properties were at first carried out by the GSA for the Secret Service, but eventually instructions "came directly from the President's personal representatives and were duly ratified by the Secret Service under PL 90-331," including such items as the installation of ornamental brass lanterns, etc.

Pacific Sun, 12-18 Sep 75, Peter Dale Scott

PL (public law?) 90-331 - See entry, Nixon properties.

Maheu, Greenspun, Hunt, Bennett, Intertel, Hundley, O'Brien et al - See article by Peter Dale Scott, "Tying up loose end in Dallas."

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