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Martha Hints About Demo Bug Case

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — Martha Mitchell, out of politics now but on the telephone again, says she knows something about the bugging of Democratic National Headquarters.

Mrs. Mitchell says she has "thrown out so many hints" about the June 17 bugging incident in which seven men linked to President Nixon's campaign committee have been indicted.

But she said in a telephone interview from her New York City apartment that any detailed information would have to wait until she publishes a book after the Nov. 7 election.

Martha Surfaces

WASHINGTON—There were a lot of McGovern buttons around, so Martha Mitchell caused a stir among the other guests when she went looking for a telephone at Barbara Walters' birthday party in New York on Sunday night.

Her husband, who made no attempt to follow along and monitor her call, chuckled afterwards at the curiosity of onlookers. He assured his hostess that his wife wasn't calling anyone except the chauffeur, to tell him to bring the car to take them home.

It was the first time the Mitchells have surfaced socially since moving to Manhattan, where they are staying at the Essex House until they can move into their new apartment. The former attorney general, relaxed and puffing his pipe, introduced himself over and over again with the identification: "I'm Martha Mitchell's husband."

Watching his wife getting a celebrity's attention from other celebrities, Mitchell beamed. "Did you ever see such dimples?" he asked former New York Mayor Robert Wagner, pointing happily at Mrs. Mitchell's intent not to talk politics "until after election day."

She wasn't talking politics except to say to reporters who approached her that she doesn't intend to talk politics "until after election day."

Guests included CBS commentator Walter Cronkite, author Jacqueline Susann (who was told by Mrs. Mitchell that she had read "Valley of the Dolls" twice and is starting on it again), Kitty Carlisle, Mrs. Bennett Cerf, photographer Yousef Karsh, producer Hal Prince and Vogue magazine editor Grace Mirabella.

Mrs. Mitchell, who had called and asked ahead of time about appropriate attire for the evening, was wearing a jacketed pink - and - green brocade cocktail dress and the five - inch sling - back pumps she favors even though they are currently considered unfashionable.

Her costume contrasted strikingly with the "hip" garb of such New Yorkers as Hal Prince and writer Barbra Lee Diamondstein, who turned out in matching, pin-striped "George Raft-Marlene Dietrich" suits and polka-dot accessories.

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**The Mitchells:
Martha and John**