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SPIRO AGNEW BEING INTERVIEWED  
He said the Democrats have 'fallen flat'

## Agnew Scorns the Corruption Charge

### Washington

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew said yesterday "a calculated attempt to prove corruption on the part of the administration . . . has fallen flat as a pancake in the eyes of the American people."

"The American people are tired of having all these insinuations made about the Nixon administration," the vice president said.

"We've seen it tried from every angle and yet there is nothing but smoke. We haven't seen a bit of fire yet and I'm not sure there's going to be any fire."

Agnew was interviewed on the ABC's "Issues and Answers."

The interview was the only thing on Agnew's schedule until tomorrow when he resumes campaigning with trips to Michigan, Texas and California.

Asked about the Watergate affair, Agnew said, "I still don't see a connection between the President of the United States and the Watergate case. This connection has been attempted to be constructed by the people who would like to see the connection made in the eyes of the voters but it hasn't been made."

Agnew said that published allegations of a Republican program of planned sabotage against Democrat ranks so far are only hearsay and added:

"What disturbs me greatly is the moral outrage of the same people who have in the past condoned this kind of conduct . . .

"I also feel that whether a person steals Larry O'Brien's secret papers or steals the Pentagon papers he should be punished.

The vice president said that the same newspapers publishing charges of corruption in the President's reelection committee are the same papers that "rushed to publish" the Pentagon papers.

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