

Watergate and immunity: The select Senate committee investigating Watergate will hold its first public hearings May 17 and will move to compel testimony by John W. Dean 3d, the deposed White House counsel, by granting him immunity from prosecution. President Nixon, the White House said, will no longer advise prosecutors to withhold immunity from current or former members of the Administration.

The C.I.A. involvement: Central Intelligence Agency documents made public at the Pentagon papers trial of Dr. Daniel Ellsberg confirmed that Gen. Robert C. Cushman Jr., commandant of the Marine Corps, had ordered, when he was the C.I.A.'s deputy director, that false identity papers and disguises be supplied to E. Howard Hunt Jr., who has confessed to having taken part in the Watergate break-in and the Ellsberg psychiatrist burglary.

James W. McCord Jr., who has been convicted in the Watergate affair, charged that he was under perssure twice before his trial to assert that the break-in was a covert C.I.A. operation.

The forged Diem cables: The White House denied there was any connection between the assertion by President Nixon at a news conference in 1971 that the United States was guilty of "complicity" in the killing of Ngo Dinh Diem, the President of South Vietnam, and a State Department cable to that effect forged by Hunt.

Proxmire and the press: Senator William Proxmire, Democrat of Wisconsin, a frequetn critic of the Nixon Administration, charged the press with being "grossly unfair" to the President and with conducting a campaign of "McCarthyistic destruction" in its reporting of Watergate. He spoke after having told a friend that he believed Mr. Nixon was "involved in Watergate up to his ears."

An Attack by Meany: The Administration is "steeped in scandal and twisted by privilege," George Meany, president of the A.F.L.-C.I.O. said. He called for an investigation of the Watergate conspiracy by an independent, non-government panel.

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