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WASHINGTON -With Watergate on their minds and "waterbugs" on their tables, Democrats raised \$1 million for 1974 congressional races at a banquet last night.

The event marked the first time the Democrats outstripped the Republicans at such a fund-raiser. The GOP

affair held two weeks ago brought in only \$750,000 — less than half the amount the Republicans hoped to raise.

The evening was capped by a visit from President Nixon or rather comedian David Frye who imitated Nixon and kept the audience of more than 2000 laughing

for about 20 minutes.
Mrs. Eugene Wyman, chairman of the \$500-a-plate affair, said receipts had passed the \$1 million mark for the first time in history.

Virtually every speaker and entertainer made references to the Watergate scandal enveloping Nixon's Republican administration, and party officials said Watergate had definitely helped the record ticket sale.

Each guest received a gold plastic "waterbug" attached to a pencil with an inscription "Harry Truman said it, Dick—The bug stops here."