

Nixon Pondered Political Wiretaps, John Dean Says

Washington

President Nixon said at a meeting last September that he once told FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover he might use wiretapping against political opponents, John W. Dean III has told Senate investigators.

Mr. Nixon also is quoted, in a summary of Dean's testimony to Senate investigators, as saying that Hoover told the President that Mr. Nixon had been the subject of electronic eavesdropping in the 1968 presidential campaign.

There were no details on the alleged 1968 bugging incident in the summary of Dean's talk with Senate Watergate committee staff members last Saturday.

MEETING

The fired White House counsel was describing a meeting he attended with Mr. Nixon and presidential chief of staff H. R. Haldeman last September 15, according to the official summary, which gave this account:

"Dean met with the President after the indictments had been handed down. Nixon said Haldeman reported what a good job Dean had done.

"Nixon said that Hoover had told him that Nixon had been bugged in the 1968

A Jolt for Ex-Premier

Athens

The Greek government has stopped sending his pensions to former Greek Premier Constantine Caramanlis in Paris, an official source disclosed yesterday.

Caramanlis, who has received \$1066 monthly pensions in his self-chosen Paris exile since 1963, will apparently have to come to Greece if he wants to continue getting them.

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campaign, and Nixon said that sometime in the future they would have to use it to their advantage."

A source close to the investigation was asked if Dean said the President meant he planned to use bugging or whether he planned to use the fact he was bugged as a political issue.

INQUIRY

"He meant bugging others," the source said.

Another portion of the summary quotes Dean as saying that the White House, on Mr. Nixon's orders, suc-

cessfully torpedoed a congressional investigation of the Watergate affair prior to last year's presidential election.

The official summary says Dean reported:

"Nixon said (William E.) Timmons should get on the Patman hearings and make sure it didn't get out of hand . . . White House and CRP (Committee for the Re-Election of the President) blocked Patman hearings by bringing pressure on people to vote against subpoenaing witnesses."

BREAK-IN

Representative Wright Patman (Dem-Texas), chairman of the House Banking and Currency committee, sought to stage a full-scale investigation of the June 17, 1972, break-in at Democratic party headquarters. Timmons at the time was a White House lobbyist with Congress.

Sources said Dean did not discuss the September meeting in detail with Senate investigators when he was questioned under oath on Saturday, but that he indicated he would give a more complete account when he testifies at the Watergate committee's public hearings next week.

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