

# The List Of Nixon 'Enemies'

## Washington

John W. Dean III told the Senate Watergate Committee yesterday that the White House list of political enemies filled a file "several inches thick."

The former presidential counsel turned over to the committee several lists, compiled in mid-1971, containing the names of scores of prominent and obscure politicians, journalists, labor officials, entertainers, academicians, Democratic campaign contributors and businessmen.

Dean also gave the committee several documents outlining the purpose of the lists. He said that the lists and the documents came from a file titled "Opponents list and Political Enemies Project."

In one of the documents — a memorandum written by Dean in August, 1971, to President Nixon's top advisers, H. R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman — Dean suggested "how we can use the available federal machinery to screw our political enemies."

According to the memorandum, names would be suggested by White House staff members "as to who they feel we should be giving a hard time," and then determining "how we can best screw them (e.g., grant availability, federal contracts, litigation, prosecution, etc.)."

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Another Dean memorandum recommended using Internal Revenue Service machinery to harass political opponents of the President.

Two of the lists in the file even contained the names of contributors, large and small, to the campaign of

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Senator Edmund S. Muskie of Maine, who was then a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination. Muskie had voluntarily made public the names of his donors.

Thirteen separate exhibits that Dean turned over to the Senate committee seem actually to outline two separate White House projects: a formal "Enemies Project" involving secret reprisals against a list of perhaps only 20 persons, and a second listing of hundreds — if not thousands — of political "opponents" who would be

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automatically excluded from receiving government jobs, appointments and invitations to the White House.

What appeared to be the master list of political opponents ran to several hundred names. It included ten Democratic senators, all 12 black House members, more than 50 newspaper and television reporters and executives and celebrities such as Joe Namath, Steve McQueen and Barbra Streisand.

### BUSINESS MEN

The businessmen ranged in prominence from Thomas J. Watson Jr., board chairman of International Business Machines Corp. and Sargent Shriver who was to become the Democratic vice presidential nominee to Arthur Taylor identified as executive of the International Paper Co.

The master list was prepared in the office of Charles W. Colson, then a presidential counselor, Dean said.

That list was not dated. But, in his August memorandum to Haldeman and Ehr-

lichman, Dean suggested "a small list of names as our targets for concentration." He went on to say in the memorandum:

"I feel it is important that we keep our targets limited for several reasons: (1) A low visibility of the project is imperative; (2) it will be easier to accomplish something real if we don't over expand our efforts; and (3) we can learn more about how to operate such an activity if we start small and build."

Subsequently, the list was culled to about 20 names. Periodically, names were added to and removed from this smaller list.

### COMMENTS

One such condensed list of 20 names was prepared by George Bell, an aide to Colson and contained Bell's pointed comments about the persons on the list.

For instance, following the name of John Conyers Jr., a Democratic representative from Detroit, was the following comment:

ing as a leading black anti-Nixon spokesman. Has known weakness for white females."

Following the name of Sidney Davidoff, an aide to Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York, were these remarks:

"A first class S.O.B., wheeler - dealer and suspected bagman. Positive results would really shake the Lindsay camp and Lindsay's plans to capture youth vote. Davidoff in charge."

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