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# Nixon's News...and Ours

President Nixon learns about what's being reported in the media from a news summary prepared each day by the White House staff. Below are the first two pages of the summary for July 13, 1973, obtained for The Washington Post by David Zielenziger of Congress Watch. The summary does not include New York and Washington papers, which are delivered to the President daily.

NEWS SUMMARY  
July 13, 1973  
(Thursday nets, wires)

The major stories of day

RN entered Bethesda Hospital for treatment of viral pneumonia. Teach said there were "no complications" and he should be out of the hospital w/in a week. He noted RN's good health in the past and predicted recovery "should be rapid."

RN agreed to meet w/Ervin privately, possibly next week, after receiving letter and phone call from Ervin as comm attempted to, as Reasoner put it, end the dispute over WH documents on Watergate. Mudd, similarly, said comm was trying to prevent a show-down. Led all nets, w/Chancellor saying it appears RN "gave in a bit." Jarriel said WH's trying to dispel idea "RN blinked first" in confrontation, and Mudd flatly stated it's not a compromise, w/both nets noting WH said RN talked w/Ervin out of "courtesy." ABC/CBS w/film of what NBC's Stern described as Ervin's announcement of "temporary cooling off pact," w/Ervin saying RN assured him they'll meet once RN takes care of pressing matters w/deadlines. ABC also w/film, NBC/CBS noted, of Ervin reading letter to RN requesting meeting in an effort to stave off "the very grave possibility of a fundamental constitutional confrontation" between WH-Hill over the documents, which the comm resolved it had a right of access to.

Concluding his testimony, JNM told of HRH/JDE's concern to keep the lid on Watergate (noted ABC/NBC) and, in Schorr's words, found his "credibility on trial" under questions from Dash. Film on all nets as Dash inquired how JNM expected comm to believe his testimony when it appeared he'd lied under oath previously. JNM disagreed w/Dash's interpretation and suggested comm draw its conclusion from his account and that of witnesses to follow... Chancellor said JNM's testimony raised many questions, and he wonders if the "1st of the big pro-RN witnesses" really helped RN.

Comm then turned to witness ABC noted. Dean said knew a great deal about the cover-up -- Dick Moore -- who disputed Dean's belief RN knew of cover-up before March 21. On film on all nets,

Moore recounted conversations w/RN and Dean in March and stated nothing they said suggested RN had knowledge of Watergate or that Dean thought RN knew of it before Dean "let it all out" on 3/21... But, reported NBC/CBS w/film clips, Moore was less positive in answering questions about La Costa meeting and his dealings w/ITT case... ABC/CBS reported WH requested Moore testify as soon after Dean as possible, but NBC said it's unclear whether Moore testified at his own or WH's request.

WH's "blitzer" (CBS) denunciation of Foreign Relations rejection of Godley as "deplorable" was noted by all nets, w/Mudd saying For. Relations fired the "opening volley" in what "shapes up to be another WH/Hill skirmish." NBC called rejection "highly unusual," w/ABC/NBC noting Fulbright's objection.

NBC/CBS w/film (ABC noted) of fire, w/suspicious origin, that swept thru military personnel record center near St. Louis, destroying perhaps 20M records dating back to WWI. W/few exceptions, records are duplicated elsewhere. NBC noted effect on vets benefits is unknown, but CBS pointed out VA says it had no files at center. NBC noted this was 12th suspicious fire at the center in 2 years.

All nets noted Podell was indicted on charges of receiving \$41,000 in bribes to use his influence w/fedl agencies for Fla. air taxi firm seeking approval of regular Fla.-Bahamas. Podell's brother and a Miami businessman also indicted... Podell says he's innocent and considers himself a "WH victim"... Nets noted several days ago Podell charged Justice of blocking investigation into Alpanalp's firm.

CBS w/film of Cox's trip to Hill to request \$2.8M in operating funds for next year... ABC w/film report on YR convention "re-affirming their faith in RN."

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# Mitchell's Truthfulness Questioned; Nixon Aide Challenges Dean Story

## Nixon Is Hospitalized By Viral Pneumonia



Richard Nixon was hospitalized Friday for viral pneumonia, a spokesman for the White House said today.



## Moore: President Was Kept in Dark

Sen. J. Bennett Moore today charged that President Nixon was kept in the dark about the activities of his aides.

## Grilling By Dash Sharpens



Depositions contrasted to testimony in a hearing today.

## Campora Reported Quitting for Person

Senator James Campora today reported that he had resigned from the Senate.

## Drop in Heroin Use Cited

A sharp drop in heroin use is cited by a new study.

## Nixon Scores Senators for Gulley Veto

President Nixon today scored the Senate for its handling of the veto.

## President, Ervin to Meet on Privilege

President Nixon and Sen. John Ervin are to meet today to discuss the issue of presidential privilege.

## A Virginia Love Story Ends

A Virginia Love story ends with a new twist.

# NIXON CONSENTS TO A MEETING WITH ERVIN ON PLEA TO AVERT CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS BUT WON'T TESTIFY OR RELEASE DOCUMENTS

## Price Aids See Phase 4 Rise

Price aids are expected to rise in phase 4.

## ASSENTING LEADER IS REPORTED READY TO YIELD TO PRESIDENT

The dissenting leader is reported ready to yield to the president.

## ACTS AS 'COURTESY'

But some aides think President may have an accommodation.

## Podell Indicted on Charge Of Taking Airline Bribes

Podell is indicted on charges of taking airline bribes.

## NIXON SUSPENDING VIRAL PNEUMONIA

Nixon is suspending his activities due to viral pneumonia.

## NIXON CRITICIZES SENATORS ON ERVIN

Nixon criticizes senators on the Ervin issue.

## Slaying to Avenge Holdups Charged to Sonny Carson

A slaying to avenge holdups is charged to Sonny Carson.

## Holdeman Denies Controlled Witnesses

Holdeman denies controlled witnesses.

## Lawyers Examine Ethics In the Light of Watergate

Lawyers examine ethics in the light of Watergate.

## I.R.S. Joins Investigations Into Recouping Concerns

The I.R.S. joins investigations into recouping concerns.

