



BERNARD DERVIN
'I've caddied for him'



FRANKIE O'HANLON
'I'm not satisfied'



DAVE FAGG
On his way to a wake

The Barroom

By Harry Jupiter

At McCarthy's, in the Mission district, a shot and a chaser is 65 cents. There were about 40 customers in the bar last night while President Nixon spoke to the nation about Watergate. Perhaps a dozen paid attention.

Midway through the President's address, the proprietor, Jim McCarthy, leaned across the bar and told a couple of customers, "He hasn't said a damned thing yet."

When, in the midst of his speech, the President referred to his efforts to control inflation, Mary Jo Fagg took a sip of her drink and muttered, "Boy, you sure controlled it. A dollar and 59 cents for hamburger."

Her husband, Dave Fagg, looked around the massive, old-fashioned barroom and observed, "It's amazing how few people give a rat's ass about something as important to the country as this."

Fagg is manager of Stanley's Radio-TV Service, located across the street from



Barkeep Jim McCarthy had the speech on his TV



MARY JO FAGG
A gripe about inflation



JACK MATOZEL
'He's covering himself up'

Impact

McCarthy's, on Mission street, between 19th and 20th streets. He had stopped in for a drink before going to a wake, but he waited until the President had finished speaking.

When Mr. Nixon was done, Fagg stood up, shook his head and left his wife. Fagg was unimpressed with the President's speech, his wife even more so.

"The only thing I agreed with," said Mrs. Fagg, "is he shouldn't release the tapes. But if he didn't know what was going on, he's awful dumb."

McCarthy, picking up the Gags' glasses, agreed.

"Nothing," said McCarthy. "Actually nothing. He says nothing. We know as much now as we did when he started."

LIKED

Frankie O'Hanlon, who works in the parts department for Univac, said, "I liked his speech. I like the way he talked. But still, I'm not satisfied. I voted for Nixon last time, but he still hasn't exonerated himself,

and I wish he would."

Sitting next to O'Hanlon was Jack Matozel, a machinist at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard.

Matozel wasn't impressed with the President's address.

"I'd say it's a repeat of the speech he made in May," said Matozel.

"He's covering himself up, in my opinion."

CADDY

Bernard Dervin, 60, is a caddy at the Olympic Club. He liked the President's speech.

"I've heard the other side," said Dervin. "And there's always two sides to everything. That's the first time I've heard a little bit of his side."

"He's a great orator. He impressed me. Besides, I've caddied for the man at the Olympic Club. It was while he was in between jobs — between Vice President and President, I'm not sure exactly just when."

"A regular guy, though. Not too good a tipper, but not bad."