

## *'Won't Quit --Even if Indicted'*

WASHINGTON — Vice President Agnew has told friends he will stay in office — even if he is indicted — it was learned yesterday.

Agnew believes that his resignation — or even a "leave of absence" — might be interpreted as an admission of guilt.

Repeatedly protesting that he is innocent of allegations that he took payoffs while Maryland governor to influence the awarding of highway and bridge contracts, Agnew is angered at any comparison of his situation with the resignations of former top White House aides, H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman. President Nixon announced their resignations last April 30 after their names were linked to the Watergate coverup.