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THE NECKLINE CONTROVERSY: RAQUEL AND FAYE

Q. Did Raquel Welch and Faye Dunaway have a fight in the course of their new motion picture, *The Three Musketeers*?—Karen Lowell, Philadelphia, Pa.

A. Reportedly they had a dispute about cleavage. Miss Welch maintained that since she was playing a 17th-century tavern wench, she should show more of her bust than Miss Dunaway who was playing a lady. Miss Dunaway claimed that in the 17th century even ladies exhibited their busty charms, and she therefore was determined to show hers. Result: *The Three Musketeers* will highlight the battle of the plunging necklines.

Q. Who were the journalists and government officials wiretapped by Henry Kissinger from 1969 to 1971?—T.R., Cambridge, Mass.

A. Henry Kissinger himself wiretapped no one. On May 22, 1973, President Nixon revealed, "I authorized this entire program. The persons who were subject to these wiretaps were determined through coordination among the director of the FBI [J. Edgar Hoover], my Assistant for National Security Affairs [Henry Kissinger] and the Attorney General [John Mitchell]."

Some of those who were wiretapped are: Henry Brandon of *The Sunday Times* of London, Marvin Kalb of CBS, Hedrick Smith of *The New York Times*, William Beecher, then of *The New York Times*. Among the government officials were William Safire, one of the President's speech writers and now of *The New York Times*, and the members of Dr. Kissinger's National Security Council staff, among them Winston Lord, Helmut Sonnenfeldt, Morton Halperin, Anthony Lake, Daniel Davidson, Roger Morris and Richard Sneider.

Also, William H. Sullivan, present Ambassador to the Philippines, and Richard Pedersen, Ambassador to Hungary.

Today, Secretary of State Kissinger presumably would resign rather than permit the electronic surveillance of his staff, all of whom, like past members, have received top security clearance.

Q. In 1923, President Warren G. Harding discovered that Charles Forbes, whom he had appointed head of the Veterans Bureau, was a crook. One day in the White House, Harding pushed Forbes against the wall of the Red Room and started throttling him, shouting, "You yellow rat. You double-crossing bastard." Who would be the Watergate equivalent in the Nixon Administration of Charles Forbes?—Robert Wright, Los Angeles, Calif.

A. There is no equivalent. The men who played a role in the Watergate scandal did so, not for money, but to assure the reelection of Nixon—and after the reelection to cover up their illegal activities. The basic difference between the Harding and Nixon Administrations is that Harding appointed to office a bunch of unprincipled thieves, who were solely interested in money; Nixon appointed a bunch of unprincipled zealots who were interested in power and the use of the federal administration to destroy all political opposition.

Q. Is Liza Minnelli divorced from her husband, Australian musician Peter Allen?—Terri Philips, Scarsdale, N.Y.

A. They have been separated for the past two years but are not yet divorced.



MAKING MUSIC SEPARATELY: MINNELLI AND ALLEN

Q. Is it a fact that President Thieu of South Vietnam wants the American taxpayers to shell out \$4 billion for the support of his country next year?—Harold Reuben, Freeport, N.Y.

A. That's just about right.