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President Nixon stopped to talk with Talal Al-Sowayel, 6-year-old son of Saudi Arabian envoy, at a Washington restaurant.

Another picture filed Nixon.

Nixon Outings -- A Ride and Dinner

Washington

President Nixon left the White House yesterday afternoon for what a spokesman later said was a one-hour and 50-minute drive through the suburbs and countryside of northern Virginia.

The chief executive was accompanied by his top White House aide, Alexander M. Haig.

Deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren said Mr. Nixon "just wanted to go for a ride" so he left his office, summoned his black limousine and left the grounds.

Warren said the President had been driven south of Washington to Mt. Vernon, then through Fort Belvoir and the Washington suburbs of Fairfax and Annandale before returning to the White House via busy Interstate Highway 95.

Last night Mr. Nixon had dinner at Trader Vic's restaurant with his

daughter, Julie, son-in-law David Eisenhower, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Millikin, identified as friends of the Eisenhowers.

After a meal of lobster Cantonese, fried rice, fried shrimp, sweet and sour pork and royal fruit, the President went tablehopping.

He was approached by W. L. Travis of Memphis, Tenn., who described himself as a devoted "Nixon fan."

The President told Travis he would dedicate the Cordell Hull Dam — part of the Tennessee Valley Authority — in Carthage, Tenn., on Saturday, October 13.

Mr. Nixon also told a native Italian couple that he will be going to Italy in about three months.

This helped back up predictions that his European trip, scheduled for this fall, has been postponed to early next year.

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