

GSA Picked Up Tabs**Billing the Work
On San Clemente****Washington**

President Nixon's personal attorney and his architect ordered property surveys, special lighting for the grounds and swimming pool, and a new electric heating system for Mr. Nixon's San Clemente estate and then sent the bills to the federal government, Congress was told yesterday.

John F. Galuardi, deputy commissioner of the General Services Administration, told the House Government Activities subcommittee that the work was requested by attorney Herbert Kalmbach and architect Harold Lynch.

The subcommittee is investigating government ex-

penditures on Nixon properties. Under questioning from Chairman Jack Brooks (Dem-Tex.), Galuardi said Kalmbach ordered a survey of the entire estate in 1969 as well as a structural survey of the home.

BILLS

The survey firm, South Coast Engineering, billed Kalmbach for the work, according to Brooks, who in turn sent the bills, totaling \$4400, to GSA for payment.

Galuardi said he was unaware of the Kalmbach surveys at the time so he ordered his own survey, at the request of the Secret Service, on constructing a wall around the estate.

"It shows a lax way of picking up the tabs for work ordered by other people,"

Brooks said.

Galuardi said Lynch had requested the installation of a new \$11,800 heating system in the Nixon home to replace the gas system, which he said was "faulty" and possibly dangerous.

LIGHTS

Under Kalmbach's orders, Lynch also ordered and designed the lighting installations around the estate at a cost of \$4300 and sent the bill to GSA, according to subcommittee documents.

Brooks also read from a September 1969 memo from former presidential assistant Jhon Ehrlichman, who asked the GSA maintain Mr. Nixon's swimming pool and continue the landscaping maintenance contract that GSA was paying for.

GSA administrator Arthur F. Sampson said he told Ehrlichman GSA could not pay for the pool maintenance but would continue paying for the work on the grounds. Later this contract was terminated, he said.

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