

## CHARGES DROPPED IN TRIAL OF KROGH

Coast Judge Acts Following  
Guilty Plea in Capital Case

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 3 (AP)

—A Superior Court judge dismissed charges today against Egil Krogh Jr. in the Ellsberg burglary case. The judge said he had taken into consideration Mr. Krogh's guilty plea to similar charges in Washington, D.C.

Judge Gordon Ringer accepted a recommendation by Deputy District Attorney Stephen Trott that the charges of burglary and conspiracy be dropped.

Neither Mr. Krogh nor his three co-defendants in the case—John D. Ehrlichman, G. Gordon Liddy and David Young—appeared for the five-minute hearing.

Mr. Krogh's lawyer, Norbert Schlei, said after the hearing that he was certain his client would be available to testify at the trial of the three other defendants.

Mr. Trott informed the judge that Mr. Krogh "has not bargained for a predetermined sentence." Mr. Krogh has said he will not consult with prosecutors or defense attorneys concerning his future testimony until after he is sentenced to insure that the sentence is not influenced by his cooperation.

Mr. Krogh, who was head of the secret White House plumber's squad, pleaded guilty in Washington last Friday to interfering with the civil liberties of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, Dr. Lewis Fielding. He has admitted approving a 1971 break-in at the doctor's office in Beverly Hills for the purpose of getting Dr. Ellsberg's psychiatric records.

Mr. Ehrlichman, Mr. Liddy and Mr. Young, all former White House aides, are scheduled for trial Dec. 19, but pre-trial motions are likely to cause slight delays. They are charged with burglary and conspiracy. Mr. Ehrlichman is also charged with perjury.