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WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (UPI) President Nixon underwent a brief physical examination today and his personal physician said the President appeared to be in good health.

Dr. Walter Takach, an Army brigadier general, said Mr. Nixon's heart was in good condition, his pulse normal and his chest clear.

But Dr. Tkach said he wanted to talk to the President tomorrow about taking the comprehensive physical examination that he postponed several days before Christmas.

"He seemed good to me today," the doctor told reporters, conceding that he may appear weary "because he's not getting enough sleep."

He said the burden of the Watergate scandal may "take its toll in his appearance by reflecting fatigue."

Asked if the President was seeing a psychiatrist, Dr. Tkach replied: "Hell no."

"You can't get a psychiatrist to see you without someone knowing about it," Dr. Tkach said. "You can't stop a leak."

The President had his last complete examination Dec. 17, 1972. But he spent eight days in the Bethesda hospital last July recovering from viral pneumonia.