

Governor Race

Reinecke Talks Of ITT Impact

Sacramento

Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke said yesterday that a federal investigation into his role in a controversy involving ITT has put his gubernatorial campaign "on the brink of very serious troubles."

"I'd be less than candid if I didn't say that it caused some uncertainties and some harm already," Reinecke said in an interview. "We're on the brink of very serious troubles."

Reinecke postponed a statewide series of campaign news conferences planned for yesterday, while aides took out his candidacy papers. The 50-year-old Republican insisted that his five-year quest for the gov-

ernorship is "moving ahead."

He denied reports that quitting the race was discussed at recent strategy sessions with his political advisers and said the protracted ITT controversy has thus far resulted in no "detectable" falling off of supporters.

At issue is a Federal Grand Jury probe into his role in an offer by International Telephone and Telegraph corr. to help finance the GOP national convention in 1972 in San Diego. The outcome could be an indictment.

Asked if he expects the office of special federal prosecutor Leon Jaworski to seek an indictment against him, Reinecke replied, "I

don't think so, but you'll have to ask them."

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