SFChronicle Nixon Plans Two News Sessions

Washington

In a resurgence of public appearances, President Nixon will hold news conferences next month before the Executive Club of Chicago and the National Association of Broadcasters in Houston, the White House announced yesterday.

The sessions—March 15 in Chicago and March 19 in Houston and both expected to be televised nationally—signaled a new effort by the President to rebuild his Watergate - eroded popularity and head off possibile impeachment proceedings in the House of Representatives.

Presidential spokesman Gerald L. Warren said Mr. Nixon will address the groups and then invite questions in a format similar to his November 17 aappearance before the Associated Press managing editors convention in Orlando, Fla.

Warren also said Mr. Nixon will address a Young Republican leadership conference at a Washington hotel this morning.

Mr. Nixon also was reported considering accepting an invitation to participate in ceremonies dedicating a new "Grand Ole Opry" in Nashville, Tenn., on March 16.

Warren announced Mr. Nixon's travel plans after the President met for nearly two hours with GOP congressional leaders to discuss sagging Republican fortunes at the polls, marked by the loss to a liberal Democrat of the traditionally Republican House seat formerly held by Vice President Gerald R. Ford.

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