

## ONE COUNT DROPPED IN REINECKE'S CASE

WASHINGTON, July 9 — At the government's request, Judge Barrington Parker of the United States District Court dismissed today one of three perjury counts against Lieut. Gov. Ed Reinecke of California.

Mr. Reinecke was indicted last April 3 on charges of lying to the Senate Judiciary Committee during the committee's investigation in 1972 of a case involving the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation.

Mr. Reinecke testified before the committee that he first learned that the corporation had pledged \$400,000 to the Republican National Committee in April, 1971, at a reception here. According to the indictment, Mr. Reinecke actually was told of the pledge several months earlier by H. R. Haldeman, then the White House chief of staff.

The special Watergate prosecutor's office, which is handling the case against Mr. Reinecke, requested that the count be dropped because of its reluctance to call Mr. Haldeman as a witness. Mr. Haldeman is a defendant in the Watergate cover-up trial, scheduled to begin in September.

Mr. Reinecke still faces two perjury counts and a possible 10-year jail sentence. His trial is scheduled to begin Monday.