

Books by Those President's Men

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HE BOOK, "All the President's Men," by the two reporters who refused to let Watergate die, has sold more than 200,000 copies since May, and now it appears all those President's men are going to be writing books of their own.

Washington Post reporters Carl Bernstein and Bob Woodward have led the nonfiction best seller lists all summer with their report on how the news story of an attempted burglary of the Democratic Party national headquarters in the Watergate complex turned into the political scandal of the century.

A lot of names were mentioned in their book, practically a who's who in the Nixon White House.

THERE WAS Jeb Stuart Magruder, for instance, deputy director of the Committee to Reelect the President. Magruder now is serving 10 months to four years as a convicted Watergate conspirator, but his book "An American Life," ranks eighth on the Publishers' Weekly nonfiction list.

E. Howard Hunt, the former White House aide who served ten months in prison for his part in the Watergate burglary has written his autobiography, scheduled for publication by Putnam's in November. The book is tentatively titled, "Un-

John W. Dean III, the former White

House counsel, negotiated with Farrar, Straus & Giroux but decided against writing a book at this point in time.

There have been reports that others among the indicted and convicted have offered books to publishers, including H. R. Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman, Charles W. Colson and Donald H. Segretti. Convicted Watergate burglar James W. McCord Jr., has published his own book, a paperback titled "A Piece of Tape."

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S OME OF THOSE who have been more sinned against them sinned coming out with books-including Elliot Richardson who was Attorney General until he resigned rather than follow the President's order to fire special prosecutor Archibald Cox. His book on American politics will be published in 1975 by Holt.

Others who worked in the Nixon White House and have something to write about include William Safire, a Nixon writer turned conservative newspaperman who served as a White House aide. His "Game Plan: An Ombudsman's Report on the Nixon Years' is scheduled for 1975-76 publication by W. W. Norton.

The most interesting speculation concerns the possibility that Richard Nixon himself might write of his biggest crisis. Reports are that Mr. Nixon's story of Watergate could be worth \$2 million to the former President.

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