

## Call for State Probe of Nixon

Los Angeles

William Norris, the Democratic nominee for Attorney General, said here yesterday that his opponent, incumbent Republican Evelle Younger, should convene a special grand jury to determine if former President Nixon had violated California laws.

Norris said that since President Ford pardoned Mr. Nixon, "the ball is squarely in the court of Evelle Younger."

The President, he said, "can't grant a pardon for state crimes, and the (California) governor can't par-

don anyone until sentence has been passed."

Younger said later, through an aide, that the Norris request amounted to "pure political grandstanding."

"If Mr. Norris has some information, he should bring it to the attention of the attorney general," Younger added.

Norris said Younger has the power, under Section 923 of the Penal Code, to convene a grand jury without the concurrence of the district attorney of the county involved.

Norris said there is "sufficient evidence" for a

grand jury to investigate "whether or not Mr. Nixon was an accessory to the burglary of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, and conspiracy to obstruct justice by covering up this crime, which occurred in California, and subornation of perjury by (John) Ehrlichman before a Los Angeles county grand jury."

Concerning Mr. Ford's action specifically, Norris said the President "used very bad judgment." He said the action indicates "a double standard" and "undermines our public confidence in our system of justice."

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