

# Rebozo Says Nixon 'Not Vindictive'

## Philadelphia

C. G. (Bebe) Rebozo, close friend of Richard M. Nixon's, said in a newspaper interview yesterday that the former President's outlook since his resignation is "pretty good, considering."

Rebozo, in an exclusive interview with the Philadelphia Bulletin, said the former President is "not vindictive of the supporters who jumped ship."

"He was hurt by the defections," Rebozo said, "but he thinks they were natural enough considering the avalanche effect of the media."

Rebozo said Mr. Nixon has

"that quality of mind over matter."

The interview discussed what Rebozo claimed was the "bum rap" Mr. Nixon got from the press and the "distorted stories" about expenditures of public funds at Nixon's Key Biscayne, Fla., estate.

Referring to expenditures at the estate, Rebozo discussed the \$56,000 custom-made aluminum bar picket fence that had been criticized by congressional investigators.

He said he had suggested the aluminum because iron would have created "a hell of a maintenance problem" because of the salt spray.

"It made sense then, it makes sense now," Rebozo said, "and I don't care what those investigators say. They were determined to find something wrong."

Regarding the language revealed in some of Mr. Nixon's White House tapes, Rebozo said, "I never heard him use a bad word. He is not a man to swear."

"I guess he just got to the point where . . . well, I guess it's better than ramming your fist through the wall. The pressure just got to be too much. The language was all brand new with him since Watergate."

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