

Bull Quits Post as Nixon Aide

Washington

Former White House aide Stephen Bull has quit former President Nixon's staff and gone into private industry, it was learned yesterday.

With Bull's departure, only former press secretary Ronald Ziegler and Mr. Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods, are left among the prominent hold-

overs on the Nixon staff. Sources indicate Ziegler may leave in February.

In October, 1973, Bull took the tape of a June 20, 1972, Oval Office conversation between Mr. Nixon and his top aide, H. R. Haldeman, from the home of Miss Woods back to the White House. That tape was the one that contained the famous 18½ minute gap.

Both Bull and Miss Woods

were questioned extensively by Watergate investigators to determine if the gap was made deliberately.

Bull said last spring his attorney fees had reached \$15,000 and he was having financial problems. He split up with his wife during the Watergate scandal.

A New York resident, Bull, 32, joined the Nixon staff after the 1969 inaugura-

tion. He was a minor functionary until the resignations of H. R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman, both now standing trial in the coverup case.

After Mr. Nixon lost his top assistants, Bull's access to the Oval Office increased and he became a presidential confidante.

Bull is living in Washington.

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