

End of the transition: What Nixon loses

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WASHINGTON — With the expiration of his official six-month transition period to private life at 12:01 this morning, former President Nixon is losing his military

aides, 11 cars and his San Clemente office complex.

The staff of about 30 aides and federal employees who went to San Clemente six months ago had dwindled to 12 by yesterday, and only four are on the San Cle-

mente payroll starting today.

Two secretaries and a former speechwriter are staying on without pay.

Rabbi Baruch Korff, Nixon's supporter and fundraiser, said it has been an

emotional weekend at San Clemente with people — including two Marine aides — close to tears.

The only well known hold-over is long time personal secretary, Rose Mary

and what he keeps

Woods. Mrs. Woods, who earned \$42,000 a year during the presidential years, will take a pay cut to \$15,000.

Ronald Ziegler, the former press secretary, leaves this month for a six-month lec-

ture tour.

Starting today, the former President will receive a personal pension of \$60,000 a year plus \$45,000 for office expenses provided under the Former Presidents Act of

1963.

The \$45,000 will end as of July 1, the end of the fiscal year.

A Secret Service contingent — estimated to number

at present about 30 men — will be kept on but its size will shrink in the coming months and years.

Nixon also will have the volunteer help of about 55 women from the local Republican Women's Club who have been working for the last few months handling an estimated 1.2 million pieces of mail that have poured into Casa Pacifica.