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As "public penance" instead of jail terms, **John D. Ehrlichman** and **H. R. Halde- man** should be assigned to help rebuild the District of Columbia areas burned out in the 1968 riots that fol- lowed the death of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a letter to **Judge John J. Sirica** suggested this week. When the former White House aides were sentenced Feb. 21 to up to eight years, Mr. Ehrlichman offered to go to New Mexico to give legal help to Indian tribes—an idea later turned down by the In- dians. But **George Frain**, a Washington inner-city activ- ist, charged in a letter to the judge that both men—con- trary to the intent of **Rich- ard M. Nixon**—were "the re- sponsible White House offi- cials who cut off urban renewal funds" to rebuild the areas. Judge Sirica's clerk, **Bob Ruyak**, said yesterday that the form of "commit- ment" was "out of the judge's hands" once he passed sentence.