

Notes on People by Laurie Johnston

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Raymond J. Price Jr., who became a speechwriter for Richard M. Nixon in 1966—and contributed such phrases as “the lift of a driving dream” to speeches from his inauguration to his resignation—is writing a book for Viking Press about what he calls the “embattled” Presidency from “the perspective of one who was part of the battle.” Mr. Price, a former editor of The New York Herald Tribune editorial page, said the other day that he was “deceived on some specifics” during the Watergate period. “There was a lot I found out later that I didn’t know at the time,” he acknowledged, but he said he had “not changed my respect, understanding and sympathy” for the former President.

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