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John Dean to Report on Republican Drive

Described by his editor as "one of the more unique observers of Republican politics," **John W. Dean 3d** is going to join "the boys on the bus" for Rolling Stone magazine, covering the Republican National Convention and Presidential campaign as a special correspondent.

Jann Wenner, Rolling Stone's editor, said yesterday the former Nixon White House counsel's article on the convention would be published just after the Aug. 16-19 meeting in Kansas City. A second will appear during the fall. His fee was not disclosed, but will be above Guild scale.

Mr. Dean served four months in prison after pleading guilty to conspiracy to obstruct justice. His book, "Blind Ambition," is to be published in January.

"[Mr.] Dean is a good writer with an extraordinary recall of detail," Mr. Wenner said. "He knows exactly what power politics is like when it gets to the high stakes."

Edward Albee dropped out of Hartford's Trinity College as a sophomore but a 21-year-old playwright from New York, L.I., first co-

"Live fully, responsibly and dangerously—and have a good deal of fun," Mr. Albee advised the 250 graduates. He also urged them to "stay fully—sometimes painfully—awake." "A lack of political involvement is a lack of involvement with the civilization to which we belong," he said.

It took **Hans Matthoef**, West Germany's Minister for Scientific Research and Technology, only a half hour—and 39 chess moves—to checkmate a computer. The 50-year-old economics professor, who claims to be only "moderately" good at chess, was winning Monday night's second match when the computer had to give up because its power failed. Dr. Matthoef said he "noticed right away" that he could psych out his opponent. He said, "You only have to attack sharply and the computer gets scared."

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cent resignation. No fee was disclosed but the series is budgeted at nearly \$1 million.

Leonid I. Brezhnev is going to make his first visit to West Germany since 1973, when **Willy Brandt** was Chancellor. But **Chancellor Helmut Schmidt** said the Soviet leader would not arrive until soon after the Oct. 3 German election.

Noisy demonstrators greeted six Americans awarded honorary doctorates at Dublin's Trinity College on Monday, but the students said they were protesting United States policy toward Chile, not the individuals being honored. The Bicentennial awards went to **Neil A. Armstrong**, the first man on the moon; **Walter J. P. Curley Jr.**, the American Ambassador to Ireland; **Kingman Brewster Jr.**, pres-

ican Republic's capital, it was founded by Christopher Columbus's brother, **Bartholomew**, in 1496. The royal couple laid a wreath at the National Monument, the gravesite of the leaders who won the republic's independence in 1865. King Carlos gave a luncheon for **President Joaquin Balaguer**.

Joybelle Squibb successfully defended her title in the "world championship" of old-time piano-playing Monday night in Monticello, Ill. but it wasn't easy to find players willing to challenge the 71-year-old former silent-film accompanist. Mrs. Squibb feels the competition is tougher on the golf course, where she plays 18 holes every day she can.

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