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A pipe-shop owner in San Clemente, Calif., supplies the information that Richard M. Nixon, the former President, did some holiday shopping early this week. He bought three red, white and blue pipes, commemoration the Bicentennial, according to Art Hatch, the shopkeeper, who declined to disclose the names of those the pipes were shipped to, suggesting that that would just spoil the Christmas surprise.

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