Watergate's Gordon Liddy Gets a Parole

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sion set his release for September 7 Liddy won parole from prison yesterday. The U.S. Parole Commisburglary still a mystery, G. Gordon and his motives for the Watergate His code of silence unbroken

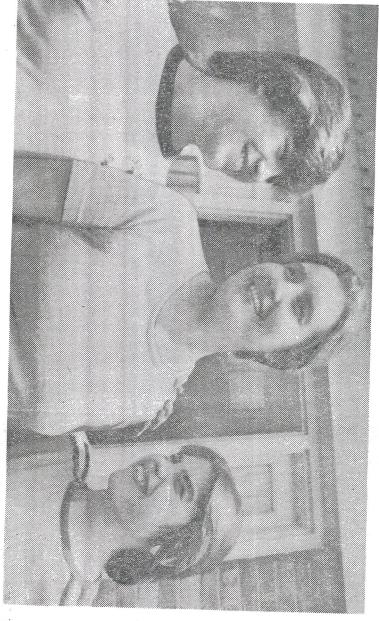
and related crimes. By then, the onetime lawyer for Richard M. Nixon's re-election committee will have served 52 24 men sentenced for Watergate years longer than any of the other months in prison, more than two

still pay his \$40,000 fine or have it "otherwise disposed of according to law before release." forced Nixon's resignation, must ry set in motion the events that direction of the Watergate burgla-Liddy, whose planning and

cy, indicating he doesn't have the he must file an affidavit of indigenhas the funds he must pay them or yesterday "that means to me if he His lawyer, Peter Maroulis, said

And, Maroulis added: "He

during their second entry. the Watergate Office Building. He and another former White House intelligence plan that included the bugging and rifling of files of Democratic party headquarters in inside Watergate on June 17, 1972, five burglars who were arrested aide, E. Howard Hunt, recruited the Liddy devised the Republican



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Frances Liddy and two of her five children, Tom and Ray, got the good news in Oxon Hill, Md.

were behind the coverup that toppled Nixon and sent his top the burglary, including the alleged approval of the plan by former Attorney General John N. Mitchell, aides to prison. forts to hide administration links to Subsequent White House ef-

With Liddy's release, only

Mitchell and former Nixon lieutenants H. R. Haldeman and John D. tergate sentences. Ehrlichman still will be serving Wa

commuted Liddy's 20-year sentence parole eligibility was advanced from May, 1981. Last April, Carter dent, Jimmy Carter, that Liddy's intervention of a Democratic presi-Ironically, it was through the

> for parole any time after July 9. to eight years, making him eligible

in school." his children this summer. By the time he gets out, they will be back with Liddy, who is at the Allenwood, Pa., federal prison camp. "He's disappointed he won't be with date," Maroulis said after talking "He's happy to have a definite

> as long as September, but that's was a little disappointed that it was better than October." Liddy's wife, Frances, said: "I

jury convicted him on Jan. 30, 1973. appeals went through the courts, freedom, while one of his many iddy has been in prison since the With the exception of 99 days

months to 20 years. nal sentence of six years and eight tempt sentence onto Liddy's origi-Sirica to tack an 18-month concaused U.S. District Judge John J. of immunity from prosecution, about Watergate, even with a grant His unwavering refusal to talk

sentence. made concurrent with the main sulting one-to-three year term was of burglarizing the office of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist, but the rethat. In addition, he was convicted and got a suspended sentence for name at a congressional hearing Liddy also refused to give his

When Liddy applied for a reduction of sentence, Sirica and has not given the court even a remorse or regret for his actions turned him down, saying "he has not shown the court the slightest hint of contrition or sorrow."

aforesaid sentence be served in its In his commutation order last April 12, Carter said, "the ends of entirety." justice do not require that the

The President acted after his

Ford's presidency. filed in the waning days of Gerald petition for commutation had been Mrs. Liddy an interview. Liddy's counsel, Robert Lipshutz, granted

became the first to talk, Liddy commented, "I think in all fairness to the man you'd have to put him sel, John Dean. Later, after Dean pledge of silence to Nixon's coun-Watergate crisis, Liddy made a ight up there with Judas Iscariot." During an early state of the

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