

Haldeman Goes Home For Holidays

Lompoc,

Santa Barbara county

H.R. Haldeman, former President Nixon's top aide who is serving a sentence for his role in the Watergate scandal, left a federal prison yesterday to spend the holidays with his family and wished a "Merry Christmas" to reporters and photographers as he left.

Wearing a zippered jacket and carrying one suitcase and an overnight bag, Haldeman was greeted by his wife, Jo, at the prison gate. He kissed her and they left by car for their Los Angeles home.

Haldeman, granted a five-day furlough for the holidays, is serving a modified sentence of one to four years for conspiracy and obstructing justice in connection with the June 17, 1972, break-in of the Democratic party headquarters in the Watergate complex in Washington, D.C.

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