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49	39	1/27/1970	<input type="checkbox"/>	Campaign	Memo	From Harry Dent to the President. RE: Senators Prouty, Stevens, and Smith. 2pgs.

DOCUMENT WITHDRAWAL RECORD [NIXON PROJECT]

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N1 [57]	MEMO	From Dent to RN Re: Senators Prouty, Stevens and Smith...	1/29/70	C(NIXON)
N2 [58]	MEMO	From Klein to RN Re: Action Memo No. P88--	1/29/70	C(NIXON)
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57	Return Private/Political
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 27, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Time Magazine article reporting that Senators Prouty, Stevens and Ralph Smith are in political trouble.

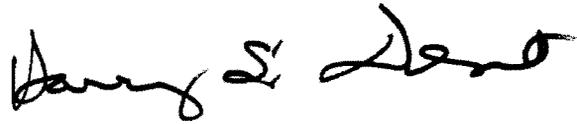
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Off. This is
what he should
do - keep the
nuts off his back
good (OK)*

Illinois: Senator Ralph Smith is the most vulnerable of the trio. Frankly, this goes back to the original appointment. Most think the Governor could have made a more electable appointment, such as the Attorney General of Illinois. However, he evidently elected to carry out a previous commitment. Smith doesn't have the recognition factor of Adlai Stevenson, III. The National Democrats will be putting much emphasis on this race since Adlai is considered a likely Presidential contender if he wins. Smith has been trying to compile a left-to-center voting record since Stevenson is considered further left, in an effort to preempt everything to the right of Stevenson. This has dismayed some Republicans and has enabled Rentschler to win anti-Smith sentiment in his primary campaign. Rentschler is really no threat. Smith wants as much exposure by this Administration as possible. He wants to be a prime offerer of any Administration environmental legislation, and he wants good exposure with the President on the trip to Chicago.

Alaska: Senator Stevens is not in as much difficulty as Time Magazine indicates. Central Surveys has just completed a poll there, and it shows him to be a better candidate than Congressman Pollock, who is considered good. Stevens' prime problem is a short fuse and the ramifications this might trigger in a campaign. Secretary Hickel has indicated publicly he won't run. What concerns the Secretary is the possibility of a primary challenge against Governor Miller by Congressman Pollock. The Secretary is trying to work this out.

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Vermont: Senator Prouty himself is not in any special trouble, but if former Governor Hoff does run against him, as expected, he will be up against a most formidable opponent and strenuous campaigner. However, this is a Republican state and Prouty is an incumbent with no particular difficulties except a tough possible opponent. The outcome here might depend on how hard and effectively Senator Prouty campaigns.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Harry S. Dent". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Harry S. Dent