

McGovern Guilty of Political Sabotage

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As the November election approaches, a barrage of charges of spying and sabotage are being aimed at each party by their opposition. Naturally, both parties deny such charges and quite assuredly both are guilty. Little, unmeaningful, incidences such as the Watergate Affair are as old as

the political scene itself and it is unlikely they will cease in the future.

In a big push for his credibility, George McGovern, has increasingly tried to tie the President in with the bugging of the Democratic headquarters. Now to start with, it is impossible for the President to know what his people are doing; there are just too many of them. Even if he did, he would never give the go ahead to such an escapade as the Watergate. He has too much to loose.

But what of George McGovern's credibility and sense of fair play? With all his crying over the little acts of sabotage by the Republicans, McGovern never dares remind the public that he sent Pierre Salinger to Hanoi as his own personal emissary. In fact, until forced to tell the truth by Salinger himself, McGovern denied he sent anyone to bargain with the enemy. As for why Salinger went to Hanoi, a reliable Washington source stated that Salinger carried with him a message from McGovern urging the North Vietnamese not to settle the war issue until after the election. Such a request is one of the highest and most dangerous forms of political sabotage. Certainly more so than Watergate.

Judging by all the Kissinger hopping, Hanoi has turned a deaf ear to the pleas from McGovern. Apparently, they have been watching the opinion polls closer than some Americans and have decided it best to settle now while Nixon seems to be in a generous mood. Regardless of how the most recent peace talks progress, one thing is for certain. Any peace reached between the two sides will be inspite of rather than because of the efforts of George McGovern and the "peace" movement.