

## French Press Views CIA Watergate

August 5 (IPS) — The French press is not convinced of the “objectivity” and “concern for the legal process” of the American CIA-controlled press. The following joke is a favorite among Paris newsmen:

“One day, President Nixon invites the entire press to a party on the bank of the Potomac River. About 500 people show up, all with their credentials and whatnot. After a while, the President appears, wearing only lily-white bathing trunks. Without saying a word, he motions to the press to watch carefully, then proceeds to walk down to the water.

“After one minute of meditation, President Nixon starts crossing the Potomac, but miracle! his feet do not even get wet. The President walks on water!

“The next day, the Washington Post titles on eight columns: **NIXON CAN'T SWIM!**”

