NHD in Idaho: Color Coding With Cornell Notes

Great things are done by a series of small things brought together.

~ Vincent Van Gogh

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The purpose of this article was to give lots of general information about Watergate, but it was a great source to learn a lot about it. It is a secondary source. I used this source to build my general knowledge about the scandal.

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The Watergate scandal conflicted with our concept of democracy because it diminished the value of the popular vote, it involved the breaking of multiple laws, and undermined the office of the president.

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- **Breaking Laws:**
- **Undermined the office of the president:**
- **Diminished the value of the popular vote:**

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- June 17th, second break in to the Watergate building, 5 burglars, tried to plant bugs in the building, Security guard found them.
- “His abuse of presidential power had a long-lasting effect on American political life, creating an atmosphere of cynicism and distrust. While many Americans had been deeply dismayed by the outcome of the Vietnam War, and saddened by the assassinations of Robert F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King and other leaders, Watergate added further disappointment to a national climate already soured by the difficulties and losses of the previous decade.”, Said History.com
- Even after all the stuff he did he still was re-elected because of how he made other candidates look, but quickly resigned from office.

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On June 17th, 1972 5 men were arrested for breaking in to the Democratic National Committee Headquarters (or the Watergate Building). This was the second break-in because 9 men before tried to tape the building to record all conversations, but the equipment was faulty so they had to try again. This time a guard at the building found that the door locks in the building had tape on them. He then called the police who caught the 5 men red handed. The police found the men had thousands of dollars in checks that were all traced back to CRP(or the Committee to Re-elect the President, later changed to CREEP).

Nixon’s abuse of presidential power scarred many americans with distrust with our president. The Watergate Scandal saddened americans also because this happened right after the Vietnam war and the assassinations Robert F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, and many other leaders.

Nixon was still re-elected after everything he did which shows how the popular vote...
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