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A funny thing is happening on the way to the covering-up. The liberals, especially, in the prest, have fallen silent, but the cohservatives are clammoring that something be done, now and loudly. Yesterday's Evans-Novack comun was pretty strong. James J. Kilpatrick, whose column I don't see, has made occasional comment on a TV panel show he does that probably gets minor syndication. He has a regular spot on CBS TV's a.m. news in a segment called "Spectrum". This morning he recapitulated the Republican financial connectiosnx with the caper and called for Nixon to be heard loud an clear, saying he is sure that the top boys are innocent and it must be established. The convervative clamor is comprehensible, for they fear that the later the exposure that will be made is made, the more it can influence the election. The liberal silence is not at all clear in its reasons for there would seem to be done, unless it is what is regarded as the long-range interest in The Establishment or of it.