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SOMEWHERE IN THE WHITE HOUSE, in the higher reaches of the Villay L Voice executive, there is a spy on Nixon and his co-conspirators who goes by the code-name of Deep Throat. This fellow has been the source for many of Woodward and Bernstein's main disclosures. So closely guarded is his ward furtively, he was in constant "fear of his life" that his cover would be blown. Woodward and Bernstein mention him in their now-country book "All the President's Men" which the standard of the standard

They also say they were the first to hear about Butterfield and the tapes. Hugh Sloan, Haldeman's aide, mentioned it to them, but Post editor Ben Bradlee did not think the story rated more than "a beta plus." They passed the story on to Sam Dash, chief counsel on the Watergate Committee. Dash dithered so then they told Dash's assistant counsel Terry Lenzer about it. Lenzer then subpoenaed Butterfield who blurted out the whole story about the tape system.