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The Harris poll reported yesterday that a 45 to 32 per cent plurality of Americans believe that "John Dean has been more truthful about the Watergate coverup than President Nixon."

A nationwide survey of 1555 adults also showed that a 52 to 30 per cent majority "believes Dean's charges that President Nixon knew about the Watergate coverup."

Moreover, President Nixon's claim that edited White House tapes prove his former White House counsel was guilty of improper and illegal acts was accepted by only 28 per cent of those polled. Forty - six per cent said they did not believe Mr. Nixon.

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