

# Liddy's Wife Says She Considers Him a 'Hero'

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Mrs. G. Gordon Liddy says she considers her husband a "hero" for refusing to talk about his part in the Watergate burglary.

"I don't know if he ever intends to try to explain himself," she says in the September issue of the Ladies' Home Journal, "even when he gets out of prison.

"But I do know that he feels he is serving his country by sitting in jail and saying nothing. He has compared himself to a captured soldier who gives only his name, rank and serial number."

Mrs. Liddy also denies reports that "Gordon is being paid not to talk" and claim-

ed her earnings as a teacher are the family's sole support.

Liddy pleaded guilty to the break-in at the Democratic National Committee offices June 17, 1972, and began serving a prison sentence of up to 20 years last January 30.

"I can't see why people have a hard time understanding what motivates a man like Gordon to take all he has and keep quiet," Mrs. Liddy writes. "He is simply following his own code . . . unlike so many who have appeared on television at the Watergate hearings, Gordon is at peace with himself."

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