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Courting John Connally

To the Editor:

It is understandable for an armchair strategist to say that President Nixon should have burned the tapes and that had he done so he would still be President. It is less understandable that a public man close to the President should have recommended such a course and made public his recommendation. It is beyond comprehension that that public man—John Connally—should be now courted by President Ford as a possible Vice-Presidential running mate and that he should be laying down the conditions under which the nation's second highest job will be acceptable to him.

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