## A Book by Haldeman

## **'Deep Throat' Report**

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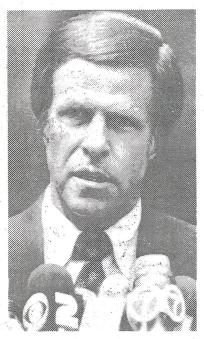
H. R. Haldeman former aide to Richard Nixon, says in his forthcoming book he believes Fred Fielding, former deputy counsel to Nixon, was the Watergate scandal's mysterious "Deep Throat," according to New York magazine.

In a brief entry in its "New York Intelligencer" section, the magazine said in this week's issue that it learned details in the yet-tobe-published book, "The Ends of Power," from Haldeman family sources.

The magazine said the book will name the 38-year-old Fielding, who worked under White House counsel John Dean, as the source used by Washington Post reporters Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein to break the Watergate scandal that led to Nixon's resignation.

Fielding, now a Washington lawyer, denied he was Deep Throat in a statement telephoned to the Associated Press.

"I have not had the opportunity to read Mr. Haldeman's book. But



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Former Nixon aide

I can state that at least any part of his novel that names me as Deep Throat is sheer fantasy and nonsense," he said. "I emphatically deny that story and the accusation."

The magazine said that as for the 18½-minute erasure on one of the White House tape recordings which figured in the Watergate scandal, the book will say it was Nixon himself and not his secretary, Rosemary Woods, who was responsible. Miss Woods had said she accidentally made the erasure while transcribing the tape.

"Nixon intended to go through all the tapes, erasing incriminating conversations wherever he found them, but soon realized the task would take years," the magazine said, without further attribution.

Haldeman was sentenced on Feb. 21, 1975, to 2½ to 8 years for conspiracy, obstruction of justice and perjury charges related to the Watergate investigation. In October last year, Judge John Sirica reduced his sentence to one to four years.

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