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CHARLESTON, IL --G. Gordon Liddy, the Watergate "mastermind," will speak at Eastern Illinois University on Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 8 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the University Union.

Described by author Theodore S. White "as a thoroughly dangerous man, "Liddy directed the Watergate break-in while he was general counsel to the Committee to Re-elect the President. He was imprisoned for four and one-half years as a result of the break-in.

Liddy holds a bachelor's degree from Fordham College and a doctor of laws degree from the Fordham Law School, where he was a member of the Law Review. He served as an officer in the army for two years and was a special agent in the FBI for five years.

After practising international law, Liddy served as special assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury. He then became staff assistant to President in the first Nixon administration. He served in the special investigative unit that was later to be called the "Plumbers."

The late Stewart Alsop said of Liddy: "In another time... he would have been regarded as among the bravest and the best."

Liddy's appearance is sponsored by the University Board. Tickets to the general public are priced at \$3 and at \$1 for Eastern students.