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[Editorial insertion: the Wiki for Geoff Cowan states: "In 1974, Seymour Hersh revealed that Cowan was his source for a story on the My Lai Massacre that won Hersh the 1970 Pulitzer Prize for International Reporting."]

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