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## Meany Talks Impeachment

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — AFL-CIO president George Meany said yesterday Congress would have to impeach President Nixon if he defied a Supreme Court order to turn over his White House tapes on Watergate.

The 79-year-old union leader discussed Watergate and a wide range of other subjects at a 90-minute pre-Labor Day interview.

Meany, who has previously shied away from saying Nixon should be impeached or should resign because of Watergate, said any defiance of the Supreme Court by the President "would create a chaotic condition (and) I think the Congress

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will have to impeach him."

Because of the Watergate affair, Meany said, "We now have a president that the American people, by and large, have lost confidence in."

Meany said he believed Nixon's uppermost concern "from the time he gets up in the morning until he goes to bed at night" is what he can do to better his image. But he predicted Nixon "will go down in history as one of our poorest presidents."

The labor leader, puffing

on his ever-present cigar, predicted the nation would have a recession by the end of the year. He also said unions will begin resorting to more strikes if prices continue to rise sharply while wages are rigidly controlled.

The only solution, he said, is to let the nation return to a completely free-market economy.

On other subjects, Meany said:

• Labor Secretary Peter Erenman probably would stay in office throughout Nixon's second term and that the former union leader would be "just as effective as he has been this last six months — blah."