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Impeachment In Calif. Poll

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Forty-six per cent of Californians think President Nixon should face impeachment charges for Watergate-related activities, according to a survey released today by the Field Research Corp.

Pollster Mervin Field also reported that 24 per cent in the survey felt the President should resign, while a nearly equal number—23 per cent—felt Congress should drop its Watergate investigation.

Field said 69 per cent felt the President is obstructing the various Watergate investigations while 16 per cent feel he is helping all he can.

According to the poll, only 9 per cent of the California public sampled accepted Mr. Nixon's contention that he knew nothing about the planning, execution or cover-up of the Watergate activities.

Thirty-nine per cent, however, thought he "had some idea of what was going on," 35 per cent thought he knew and "approved, but took no personal part" in the activities, while 15 per cent felt that he did take an active part, according to the survey.

The Field organization conducted this survey between Feb. 2 and 11, using a cross-section of 1,179 California adults.