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55% Polled Oppose

Prosecuting Nixon

In a telephone survey of 550 American voters, 55 per cent felt that an investigation of possible criminal charges against former President Nixon should be dropped. Thirty-seven per cent felt that such an investigation should continue.

Seventy-nine per cent of those surveyed believe Mr. Nixon did the right thing by resigning, according to the poll conducted for Newsweek magazine by the Gallup Organization.

Only 13 per cent of those polled believe Mr. Nixon should have remained in office. The poll was conducted immediately after the resignation announcement Thursday evening.