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IMPEACHMENT TALK**

Senator Jacob K. Javits, Republican of New York, and Senator Abraham Ribicoff, Democrat of Connecticut, both deplored here Monday any talk of impeachment of President Nixon in the wake of the Watergate disclosures, while endorsing measures "to get to the bottom of the matter."

"This isn't a lynching party—as Senators, we all have an obligation to keep our heads even if others are losing theirs," Senator Ribicoff said after a hearing he had conducted on drug-law enforcement.

"I see no evidence that warrants even talk of impeachment," Senator Ribicoff said. "By tossing the word around before there is any hard evidence that the President is involved, we do a disservice to the American system of justice."

He said impeachment would be "a shattering experience for the country." Senator Javits, who was co-chairman of the hearing, agreed and added:

"Watergate is hurting us everywhere in the world, and if we ourselves pour gasoline on the fire it won't help. The President can govern effectively only if we realize that we are dismantling our Government by reckless talk of impeachment."