

# Many groups, one aim:

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WASHINGTON — A variety of influential groups with supporters nationwide are separately organizing drives that have an identical message — impeach Nixon.

While the message is the same, there is sharp debate among the various groups on how to proceed.

Included in the major organizations are the American Civil Liberties Union, the AFL-CIO, Ralph Nader's

Citizen Action Group and leaders of past anti-war demonstrations.

Common Cause scheduled a meeting of its board yesterday to decide whether it would endorse a drive to impeach the President.

Pioneering the drive is the ACLU which formally approved a resolution Sept. 30 calling for Nixon's impeachment. The group is distributing nationwide a pamphlet detailing what it considers impeachable offenses committed by Nixon.

These ACLU charges are backed up with testimony from Senate Watergate hearing witnesses and statements by Nixon himself.

"We're not saying Nixon a crook," said Florence Isbell of ACLU. "Our charges deal with abuses by the President of civil liberties and violations of constitutional laws.

"As far as we are concerned, the charges of corruption relating to campaign finances and San Clemente are still unproven."

The ACLU accused Nixon of ordering and approving of burglary, illegal wiretaps, domestic political surveillance, improper use of government agency powers, obstruction of justice, bribery and making illegal arrests.

A bill of particulars was also offered by the AFL-CIO in urging its 13.5 million members to press their congressmen to oust Nixon.

Nixon "has consistently lied to the American people and used the office of the Presidency for personal en-

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richment," the labor organization said.

Nader's "citizen power" started action last month after Nixon fired special prosecutor Archibald Cox. Nader, who contends the Nixon administration "is the most corrupt in history," first urged Nixon to resign last April.

"So far, we've been simply contacting consumer groups and other organizations in various cities and urging members to discuss the issue and contact their con-

gressmen," said Joan Claybrook, a Nader deputy.

Nader's workers are opposed to efforts by anti-war leaders to create a mobilization drive for impeachment, including Washington demonstrations.

"The best way is for individuals to act by themselves. Our work is really a reaction to anger Nixon caused by firing Cox. People got mad, it really hit them in the gut," Ms. Claybrook said.

"This will build if Nixon has anymore Watergate confrontations," she added.

John Gardner, head of Common Cause, urged Nixon to resign two weeks ago.

"We think a more important issue is to get an independent prosecutor investigating Watergate," said a

Common Cause Spokesman. "It seems Republicans want Nixon to resign while the Democrats want to impeach him.

"You can kneejerk about

that as much as you want but it really hinges on the special prosecutor digging out all the facts against Nixon and others."