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"Impeachment"

With all that's been said about impeachment, wouldn't you think that people would by now know what the word means? Apparently not everyone does. Consider Joseph Alsop's column of February 18. Referring to President Nixon, Alsop writes: "By all the signs, he will only leave office if two thirds of the Senate votes to impeach him." And later in the same column, "Without another bombshell, there is not the remotest possibility of the needed 67 Senate votes to impeach Richard M. Nixon."

Any high school student could tell Mr. Alsop that the House of Representatives, NOT the Senate, votes to impeach (charge); the Senate tries the case, with a two-thirds vote needed to convict.

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