Stennis Asks Silence on Impeachment

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Sen. John Stennis (D-Miss.), a leading Southern conservative, yesterday urged congressmen to refrain from expressing opinions on whether President Nixon should be impeached and removed from office.

The chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee said members of the House of Representatives must act as a form of grand jury to decide whether the Senate should act as a court to try Mr. Nixon on various charges.

He said congressmen must remain impartial before proceedings get underway.

"Members of a grand jury and trial jurors do not go around giving opinions on a case to come before them," he said in a Senate speech.