TV: About Impeachment

C.B.S. Special Is Aimed at Children, but Offers Clarification for All

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Adults whose heads are now spinnig with bewilderment at the mention of the word Watergate would do well to watch "What's Imwell to watch "What's Impeachment All About?" at 1 this afternoon over the Columbia Broadcasting System network. Here is a splnedid, crystal-clear capsuling of the entire tangle, from the known facts of the original break-in to the possibility of a Presidential impeachment, a word itself badly in need of clarification. Th program succinctly considers what, legally, can happen now.

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The half-hour television news special is aimed at school-age children, as was the network's previous, excellent refresher course on the American voting process. But everyone should catch this. With the network's Christopher Glenn, Bruce Morton, and Dan Rather appearing as commentators, the program poses President Nixon's current political quandary as press conference clips indicate his personal adamancy, and outlines official allegations against Mr. Nixon, including those involving his income tax deductions. It then explains the process of Presidential impeachment in terms of Constitutional legality, history (Andrew Johnson escaped removel by "just one vote" of his senatorial jury) and the

possible effect, were Mr. Nixon removed, on the highest office in the land.

All this is set forth crisply, compactly and impartially in plain, simple talk. The program was written and produced by Walter Lister.