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Congressional lawyers are to recommend today that a dosaler of allegations against President Nixon should be trimmed, presumably to speed their impeachment inquiry by concentrating on the more serious accusations.

Rep. Edward. Hutchinson, the senior Republican on the House Judiciary Committee, said that the panel's lawyers would propose that a number of the charges be dropped. "Most of them will be dropped when we meet tomorrow," Hutchinson said.

(United Press International

Hutchinson said.

(United Press International said "at least 30 of the charges may be dropped.)

He did not specify which of the allegations—there are approximately 55 the lawyers would suggest removing.

But other Republican members said they would include the Presidents alleged impounding of funds earmarked by Congress for domestic programs and his controversial orders on the Bombing of Cambodia. Cambodia.

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Many members of Congress are known to feel such charges are superfluous to the impeachment faquiry. In which evidence is to be heard beginning May ?

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Nixon's possible involvment in the June, 1972, burglary of the Democratic Party headquarters in the Watergate complex and the cover-up and alleged

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use of government agencies for political purposes.

His controversial personal finances also are being investigated.

Hutchinson said that he and other party members had been given by their counsel, Albert Jenner, a staus report on investigations by the committee's staff that recommended pruning of the charges against the President.

Jenner was retained by the 17 Republicans on the 38-member committee to look after their interests. He acts in con-cert with the committee's chief counsel, John Doar.

They are recommending, according to United Press International, that the following charges be dropped:

- The President's personal finances, including financing of his San Clemente and Key Biscayne homes, but keeping open an inquiry into possible fraud in preparation of his federal income tax returns.
- White House threats or promises of government favors in exchange for illegal corporate campaign contributions for Mr. Nixon's re-election.
- The Environmental Protection Agency's failure to prosecute antipollution law-suits as a result of campaign gations involving pressure on federal agencies relating to campaign donations.
- Mr. Nixon's impoundment of funds appropriated by Congress, and his attempt to abolish the Office of Economic Opportunity in violation of its statutory authority.
- The President's 1970 order committing U.S. ground comto Cambodia, subbat troops ject to release of a Senate study report on the issue.

It was also disclosed by another Republican source that the committee's second for additional white White House materials, centering chiefly on the Interna-tional Telephone and Tele-graph Corp. and milk fund cases, includes 79 tapes cover-ing more than 46 hours of con-versations

Republican members on the committee also reported that the panel's staff was negotiating with the White House a process under which tapes relating to the Watergate coverup could be screened.

The committee has issued a subpoena—the original dead-line expiring today is expected to be extended at the President's request till next Tuesday—seeking tapes and other records of 42 conversations.

These tapes relate mainly to conversations in February, March and April last year be-

tween the President and five allegations of White House in-men—former—White House volvement in an antitrust suit aides, H. R. (Bob) Haldeman, against ITT and a connection John D. Ehrlichman and John between raising of milk price Dean; former Attorney Ges supports and a unitarisal eral Richard Kleindienst and election campaign contribu-

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In addition to records of the 42 conversations, the commutee has, asked in a letter for additional tape recordings are documents that would broaden the scope of its inquiry.

These include the cover-up of the Watergate break-in and up charges.