Richardson Sees Chance Nixon Will Leave Office

MANCHESTER, N.H., May 12 (AP)—Elliot L. Richardson, who resigned as Attorney General because of a dispute with President Nixon over the Watergate scandal, said today that he thought the chances of Vice President Ford's becoming President before 1976 were "a little better than even." But he said he did not think Mr. Nixon should resign but should face the constitutional process of impeachment.

 $\dot{M}r$. Richardson, who was interviewed before delivering the commencement address at St. Anselm's College here, said he was greatly disturbed by what he had read of the White House transcripts released two weeks ago.

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