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Rep. Peter W. Rodino (D-N.J.), chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, yesterday ordered a study of presidential pardoning powers, following President Ford's unconditional pardon of Richard M. Nixon.

Rodino, whose committee investigated the possible im-

peachment of Mr. Nixon and then recommended impeachment, said he did not question Mr. Ford's authority to grant the pardon. But he said the action raised grave questions about whether the pardon was too broad and was premature.