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president, and indicated he would vote the same way when the issue comes before the House of Representatives for a final decision, probably this Thursday.

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Mr. Butler's Important Task

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Unless you count meetings of the District of Columbia Committee, there's nothing that stirs the average voter less than reform of Congress' internal machinery. I don't care how you make the wheels move, he's liable to say, as long as you vote right when pocketbook issues and other gut matters are on the floor.

It doesn't matter to Mr. (or Ms.) Average Voter that unless Congress can get its wheels moving, some of those gut issues won't come to the floor, or if they do, people may not know what side their representative took in the machinations that precede floor action. Procedural matters have importance but no glamor, and those who labor in the vineyards of reform take on a task that is usually thankless.

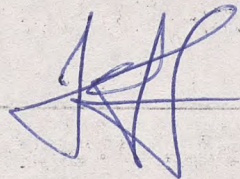
That is why Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler deserves notice for the time and effort he has been putting in on House reform. He is one of 14 House Republicans who accepted assignment in November to a task force on reforming the way Congress goes about its business. So far, Democrats have been busy too, and are beating the GOP to the punch—un-

derstandably, since they have the majority power. But there are significant contributions the Republicans can also make to reform, since the Democrats can't pass most legislation all alone.

Some members of Congress survive by gaudy tactics and by taking stridently noisy, even demagogic, positions on key issues. Some others survive by fading into the woodwork, mailing out home economics booklets to newlyweds and carefully attending to the most trivial requests from their constituents. Still others serve with distinction and integrity, doing genuinely useful service even if it lacks political sex appeal. In little more than two years in the House, Mr. Butler has demonstrated that he belongs in the ranks of the truly solid citizens of Congress.

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This is about all I could
come up with that you
might use.



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Consensus: 'Definitely inflationary'

The Ford plan is "a surrender to inflation". — Sen. Harry F. Byrd, I-Va.

Balking at the size of the deficit in the Ford program, "there is a better way and we must search for it". — Sen. William L. Scott, R-Va.

The income tax cut and tax rebate "would add to the deficit. That is inflationary in itself." — Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, R-6th Va.

"I am appalled" by the prospective deficits in the plan. — Rep. Robert W. Daniel Jr., R-4th Va.

"I have grave reservations" about several aspects. — Rep. David E. Satterfield III, D-3rd Va. He predicted deficits of about \$100 billion for two years.

"Emphasis is correctly placed on combating the recession primarily, with continuing attention to inflation." — Rep. Joseph L. Fisher, D-10th Va.

Restriction of oil imports while decontrolling oil prices "might well cost the average person more" than he would get by tax rebate and reduction. — Rep. Herbert E. Harris, D-8th Va.

Both Fisher and Harris said the Ford plan does not go far enough toward inflation control and relief of wage-earners.

"A reduction of revenue without a reduction in (federal) spending will compound our national fiscal problems." — Rep. W. C. Daniel, D-5th Va.

Cannot accept cash payments to persons whose income is so low they pay no income taxes. — Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, R-7th Va.

Am able to support much of what Ford proposed, but will insist on greater tax relief for lower income persons. — Rep. Thos. N. Downing, D-1st Va.

Rep. C. William Whitehurst, R-2nd Va., declared; "The important thing is that the President has presented a plan. . . It is up to Congress to assess it, compromise and then adopt the measures that will restore our economy and good health."

These reactions of Virginia Congressmen to the Ford plan for fighting inflation and turning the economy around were characteristic of opinions of senators and representatives of other states who have been quoted in news reports. If there is a consensus so far, it is that the plan, over-all, is inflationary. Most, like Rep. R. W. Daniel of Virginia, seem to be appalled by the deficits which would be incurred if Congress were to approve the plan, for which the President is asking quick action. Opinion is that the proposals are, in the gross, definitely inflationary rather than coolants for inflation.

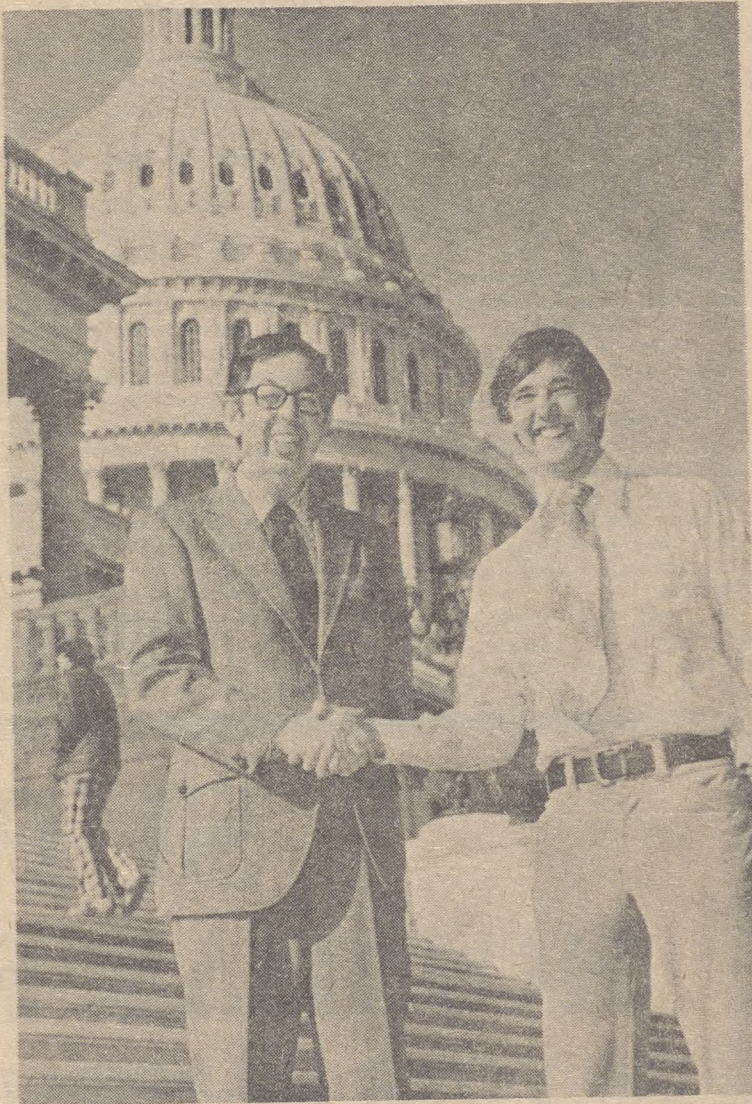
There is some opinion among the Democrats' majorities in House and Senate favorable to prompt action on the recommendations for a tax rebate for 1974 and a cut for the middle and lower income brackets now, with deferment of action on the rest of the Ford program. It is estimated, however, that two months will be required to put through the tax recommendations, which inevitably will inspire numerous amendatory proposals.

The push will be for action in time for income tax returns in April, but millions would welcome rebates on 1974 without delay. Congress might act swiftly to get the rebate checks flowing—but it seldom does anything quickly.

Virginia's Rep. Whitehurst put responsibility for waging the economic war just where it belongs now—on Congress. As he pointed out, it now has a plan. It will require compromise and adoption of measures "that will restore our economy to good health". As The Leader has said previously, the most needed element toward action is a spirit of co-operation instead of the political adversary climate which threatens to prevail.

There is much that is questionable about the Ford program. If there are better ways, let's pray for enough brains and patriotism in Congress to find them, without damaging delays.

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SIXTH DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE M. Caldwell Butler and Ted Dickerson, who has been working in Butler's Washington office since graduating from Virginia Military Institute last spring, are shown on the steps of the Capitol. Dickerson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dickerson of Hot Springs, has resigned his post with Congressman Butler to enter the U. S. Army.

Looking Back at 1974

It Wasn't a Year To Sing About

By BEN BEAGLE
Times Staff Writer

With two days to go, it has not been the kind of year that Frank Sinatra, or anybody else, is likely to sing about. But, like most years, it had some span-gled moments.

As it was ending, even Santa Claus was on trial, perhaps literally in one instance.

A Virginia Tech professor suggested that it was time to get rid of Santa Claus because he was an outmoded symbol of the punishment-reward technique for the rearing of children.

In Southwest Virginia, a Scott County grandmother was injured when a helper of Santa's hurled three books off a Santa Claus train. She sued Santa and others for \$30,000.

Earlier, it was the year of the streaker and a country music song about running about in the nude became a top number. Sometimes, the police did not think it was funny. Most of the time they arrested nude joggers.

The craze became one of those span-gled moments to many Virginians, tired of inflation and Watergate, and on one occasion it moved an Associated Press man to write, perhaps unfortunately,

that to police "no nudes is good nudes."

At Radford Army Ammunition Plant, which has furnished powder for three wars since 1940, a TNT line exploded May 31, injuring 100 people and Michael Lund of Pearisburg, supplying another of the grand moments, went about rescuing fellow workers although his back was broken.

Across the Potomac in midsummer, the incredible last days of the administration of Richard M. Nixon were ending and Western Virginians were pulled to their television sets with more force because a home country boy was taking part.

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler of Roanoke, a Republican who had done much to build the party into a force in Virginia, sat on the House Judiciary Committee and voted passionately for some of the articles of impeachment against Nixon.

When the resignation came the weekend of Aug. 9-10, it was another of those redeeming moments when the Galax Fiddler's Convention went on as usual, "The Orange Blossom Special" being played as a sort of symbol that the country was still all right, at least as far as bluegrass fans were concerned.

The elections would come later and some Butler supporters were anxious about what oldline Republicans might do to him in his try for a second term. Butler won re-election in a three way race in the 6th in an election which saw two Northern Virginia Republicans fall to Democrats.

Inflation rang steadily in the campaign as Charles Horne, a Democrat, ran against veteran 9th District Rep. William C. Wampler in a bitter race which was contested after it was over. Wampler kept the seat in Republican hands.

In the Shenandoah Valley, Republicans were stunned when Arthur R. "Pete" Giesen Jr., former Republican minority leader in the House of Delegates, ran for the State Senate and lost to Democrat Frank Nolen. Butler rolled through that end of the district but Giesen lost and his old House seat went to another Democrat, Erwin S. "Shad" Solomon, Bath County commonwealth's attorney.

Earlier, Robert Moore of Saltville had shed a little light on the year by building a Watergate machine in his front yard—a workable model which Moore claimed had no political significance

but was a result of his inventive humor.

In July, before the things happened across the Potomac, Gerald Ford, then vice president, came to Roanoke to back Butler for re-election. He did not draw much of a crowd to a reception at Hotel Roanoke.

In January, Gov. Mills E. Godwin Jr. was inaugurated for a second term as a Republican, having ended a term four years before as a Democrat and it was not a good year for the second timer.

He was not far along into his administration when the unbelievable happened—touching more Virginians in more sensitive places than most events. They had to line up at gasoline stations and they learned that panic is easy to accomplish when you figure you are going to run out of gas.

Godwin initiated in February the odd-and-even license plate system for getting gas and it cut down on the lines and some motorists who hadn't the slightest notion as to whether the last digit in their auto tag was odd or even learned quickly.

The price of gasoline went up, talk of inflation grew and as the year deep-

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Rockefeller Endorsed by House Panel

By Richard L. Lyons
Washington Post Staff Writer

The House Judiciary Committee yesterday endorsed Nelson A. Rockefeller for Vice President, 26 to 12, and the House is expected to complete the confirmation process late next week.

All opposition votes were cast by liberal Democrats. Most of them argued that the merger of Rockefeller wealth with federal political power would pose a dangerous conflict of interest and discard a "fundamental principle" of the American system—that political power is used to restrain economic power.

The majority contended, on the other hand, that Rockefeller's record during 15 years as New York's governor displayed no evidence of using political power to enhance his private interests.

Some members who might otherwise have been inclined to vote against him because of political philosophy or conflict of interest spoke of the need for Rockefeller's strong leadership qualities to bolster a faltering administration in time of economic trouble.

Committee Chairman Peter W. Rodino Jr. (D-N.J.) said he will ask the House Rules Committee to schedule eight hours of debate next Thursday or

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CONFIRM, From A1

Friday. Rockefeller is expected to be confirmed with not more than 100 votes cast against him. The Senate approved his nomination Tuesday, 90 to 7. Rockefeller could be sworn in immediately after House approval.

The nation would then for the first time in history have both a President and Vice President who were not elected.

Spiro T. Agnew resigned as Vice President on Oct. 10, 1973, after pleading no contest to a charge of federal income tax evasion. He was replaced with Gerald R. Ford, then mi-

nority leader of the House, who became President when Richard M. Nixon resigned on Aug. 9 while under threat of impeachment for the Watergate cover-up.

Committee votes against Rockefeller were cast by Democrats Robert W. Kastenmeier (Wis.), Don Edwards (Calif.), John Conyers (Mich.), Joshua Eilberg (Pa.), Jerome Waldie (Calif.), Paul S. Sarbanes (Md.), John F. Seiberling (Ohio), George E. Danielson (Calif.), Robert F. Drinan (Mass.), Elizabeth Holtzman (N.Y.), Wayne Owens (Utah) and Edward Mezvinsky (Iowa).

While the three black members of the committee had voted against Mr. Ford's appointment as Vice President a year ago, in large part because of his votes against civil rights legislation, two of them—Democrats Charles Rangel (N.Y.) and Barbara Jordan (Tex.)—voted for Rockefeller, who has been a strong supporter of civil rights.

Rangel said he voted yes because President Ford "has failed to provide the leadership needed in this time of crisis" and Rockefeller, having

strong leadership qualities, may be able to get the administration going. Rangel called the nomination Mr. Ford's "most intelligent request of Congress."

Rep. Jordan said she believed Rockefeller's potential conflict of interest was a "risk we can afford to take as stands for the American people." She said the President needs help and that Rockefeller can attract high-caliber people to government.

Conyers, the third black member, opposed Rockefeller on issues, and said "this great merger of wealth and power is more than we can tolerate."

Sarbanes, arguing against the nomination, said it would be a major change in the rules of the American system, in which political power provides a restraint on economic power.

"We are talking about the greatest concentration of economic power in the United States," said Sarbanes. Should Rockefeller become President, he said, "this would make the captain of the team the umpire of the game."

Rep. Jack Brooks (D-Tex.) said Rockefeller was as accept-

able to him as any other Republican would be, and as qualified as anyone Mr. Ford could be expected to choose. The administration desperately needs an experienced man like Rockefeller, Brooks said.

Besides his experience as governor, Rockefeller has also served as assistant secretary of state for Latin American affairs and under secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

Edwards said that if Rockefeller became President (most opposition was based on this possibility) almost every decision that reached his desk would affect the Rockefeller empire.

Rep. Charles Sandman (R-N.J.) replied that, "If someone who had been governor of a big state for 15 years had done something wrong, we'd have heard of it. Instead, we get hypothetical questions."

Waldie voiced strongest opposition to the family's gifts of \$20 million to Rockefeller's political career and his own "huge gifts made secretly to public figures to enhance his political power." The biggest of these was \$625,000 to Wil-

liam H. Ronan, a long-time associate.

The gifts and his involvement in the financing of an unflattering book on Arthur J. Goldberg, his 1970 gubernatorial opponent, were generally deplored as showing poor judgment. But several members observed that the errors cited were few for such a long career.

Reps. Trent Lott (R-Miss.) and Carlos Moorhead (R-Calif.), both very conservative, had started out opposed to Rockefeller because of his big-government ideas, but came around to support him.

Owens, on the other hand, strongly favored Rockefeller at first but finally opposed him because of the gifts, the book and polls that show he has no popular majority.

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler (R-Va.) enthusiastically supported Rockefeller as a remarkable man of great energy and ability. Rep. Lawrence J. Hogan (R-Md.), who strongly criticized Rockefeller's role in the Goldberg book, voted for him, saying the country has been too long without a Vice President.

City awarded EPA grant for sewer system study

A \$347,250 grant has been awarded to the City of Lynchburg by the Environmental Protection Agency for a detailed study and analysis of the problems connected with the existing sewer system.

City Manager David B. Norman was notified of the grant by a spokesman in the office of Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler.

The city also will receive a \$46,300 grant from the State Water Control Board for the project which will cost a total of \$463,000. The city's 15 per cent share of the cost will be \$69,450.

Norman said today the city administration has recognized for some time the problems connected with the combined

sewer system and took steps to obtain federal and state funds for the study.

It will be aimed at determining the extent of the problems and of future actions needed to correct those problems, Norman said.

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The Federal Water Pollution Control Amendments Act of 1974 requires that localities demonstrate that each sewer system discharging into treatment works is not subject to

excessive storm and ground water.

Norman said the results of the program "will be a series of recommended projects to be carried out in order of priority."

The overall study will take place in five stages and will be carried out over a period of 18 to 24 months.

Word that the State Water Control Board had approved its 10 per cent portion of the total cost was received by Norman in October.

Final approval of the project will now be up to City Council.

Norman said it is anticipated that the matter will come up at the Jan. 14 council meeting.

Butler leads debate

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process by which protection services are funded. "The keynotes of the bill are fiscal control and accountability, along with full public disclosure," Rep. Butler said during debate.

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The legislation also requires the Secret Service to submit a semi-annual report on its expenditures to the Government Operations and Appropriations committees in the House and the Senate. "Such reports will give the Congress the information we need to insure that improvements are actually being made for legitimate security purposes, and not for the comfort of an individual," Rep. Butler explained after the bill had passed the House.

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County designated

In an announcement today from the office of U. S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration said it has recognized the county's plan.

In order to be recognized, a spokesman said, a community must have a Bicentennial planning committee which has scheduled at least one event which "will leave a lasting reminder of the special effort the community undertook for the Bicentennial celebration".

THE NEWS-VIRGINIAN, Waynesboro, Va. Thursday, December 19, 1974 13

County Now Bicentennial Community

The office of Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler announced today that Augusta County has been designated a Bicentennial Community by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

A spokesman said that the county's observance plan has been approved.

It was stated that one of the requirements for approval is a "lasting reminder" of the observance.

Among the items in the county's projected plan which might fall in this category are a book on the part of the "Great Valley" from the Potomac River to Cumberland Gap, restoration of historic court records and establishment of a tourist information center.

LOCAL

THE NEWS, Lynchburg, Va., Fri., Dec. 20, 1974 C-1

City Awarded U.S. Funds For Sewer System Study

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The results of the program will be a series of recommended projects to be carried out in order of priority.

The overall study will be accomplished in five stages and will take approximately 24 months to complete.

On Oct. 23, the city manager received a letter from E.T. Jensen, executive secretary of the State Water Control Board, stating that the board had approved their portion of the grant, which amounts to \$46,300, representing 10 per cent of the total grant.

This amount, coupled with the EPA grant, leaves the city's 15 per cent share at \$69,450.

It is anticipated that this project will be brought before City Council for its consideration at its Jan. 14 meeting.

The



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LYNCHBURG, VA., FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1974

Virginia Vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here is how the legislators from Virginia voted when the House agreed Thursday night to the resolution confirming Nelson A. Rockefeller. The House voted 287 to 128. X designates not voting.

Democrats — Daniel, Dan no; Downing yes; Satterfield no.

Republicans — Broyhill yes; Butler yes; Daniel, R. W. yes; Parris yes; Robinson yes; Wampler yes; Whitehurst yes.

Ex-Roanoke newswoman 'trails' Ford

ROANOKE (AP) — When the nation's first family arrives in Vail, Colo., Sunday for its traditional skiing Christmas, a young woman who proudly identifies herself as a Roanoker will be "trailing along with them."

It will be the first time in her 27 years that she hasn't spent the holiday with her parents in Glencoe, Ill. "But my mother isn't shedding any tears," Ann Compton said by telephone from her White House office, on a break between a press conference with Ron Nessen President Ford's press secretary, and the six o'clock news, on which she appears as an ABC White House correspondent.

Since it is not her network's turn for seats on Air Force One, Ann, whose television career began in 1969 at WDBJTV here, will depart with fellow members of the Washington press corps on another plane at 8 a.m. If plans don't change in the interim, "we'll stay until after the New Year."

In less than three weeks as one of the three top-level political reporters for ABC, Ann has learned that sudden schedule changes are part of the beat. She feels sure, though, the excitement of being in Colorado will alleviate her disappointment in not having "trailed along" with the President last week for his Martinique conference with French President Valery Giscard D'Estaing. A last-minute budget slash bumped her from the excursion to the Caribbean Island.

She has a trip to Peking on her calendar for next September, but if "rumors" of other transcontinental presidential jaunts materialize, she will be traveling with the diplomatic entourage long before then.

She is anticipating, with some sentiment, a trip to Richmond Jan. 28 where she will speak at the University of Richmond Forum.

When people ask where I'm from I always say 'Roanoke', says the Hollins College graduate who also could answer Glencoe, Richmond or New York.

After working at Channel 7 here for two years as the first woman on the new staff, she was assigned to the station's Richmond Bureau and reported on Virginia politics until September 1973 when she landed a position as an ABC radio newscaster in New York.

After "never keeping my aspirations quiet" about covering Washington news, she was offered the capital spot when a vacancy occurred and won recognition in the New York Times and the Washington Post as the first woman working full-time as a White House correspondent for a major network.

Dec. 1 was "my last day in New York. I flew to Dulles Airport

in that awful snow storm and walked into the White House early the next morning," to join Tom Jarriel and Steve Bell as "three small people in a phalanx of reporters."

There are people around the capital who are well-acquainted with Ann as a political reporter and fellow-Roanoker. After riding in a "very exciting" travel pool with the President to Capitol Hill, she was welcomed upon arrival, amidst cabinet members and presidential aides, with a hug from former Gov. Linwood Holton, assistant secretary of state for congressional affairs.

And then there was the time President Ford spoke at a Trade Association Dinner and from across the room came the bellow of "Annie, Annie." It was Caldwell Butler, sixth district congressman from Roanoke.

The newswoman admits that "there are not many people my age around here. I'm just a kid at 27" who is receiving a lot of help from colleagues.

She will spend her private life in an 1855 Georgetown Townhouse, enjoy "a social life that couldn't be better" and a salary for 1974 which she says the New York magazine "rather accurately reported" at \$36,000. Pay is "variable" she says. "I have no idea what it will be," because network personnel receive fees for every appearance on radio or television unless they work on a salary-only contract. "The fee arrangement is fine with me."

Marriage, "although I could use the tax break," is not on Ann's schedule. But in bustling around the nation's capital and during "long hours of sitting and waiting" for news for national and global impact to break, she says there are replays of a cherished dream going through her mind: "Living in Fincastle and having a station wagon full of kids."

Men from the South Lead 93rd Congress

WASHINGTON.— The 93rd Congress closed last week with a flurry of activity that dwarfs the actions of former Congresses.

Men from the upper South led the nation and the Congress in 1974 in ways that history will long remember.

It was the first Congress to drive a president from office—not meanly as Andrew Johnson almost was—but cautiously, responsibly, deliberately.

It was also the first Congress to set up a legislative budget-making process, a process by which Congress promises to set its own spending ceilings and enforce them and thereby accept responsibility alongside the president for the money bills it passes.

Retiring North Carolina Sen. Sam Ervin was in the forefront of both these endeavors, a climactic year for him to end his 20 years on the Hill. Freshman Virginia Rep. Caldwell Butler distinguished himself in the country's eyes in the final days of the Nixon fall.

Ervin's work on the Senate select committee to investigate presidential campaign practice—the Watergate committee—is known to virtually every American with a TV set.

Ervin was the unanimous choice last January of his Democratic colleagues in the Senate to set up the Watergate investigation. Characteristically, he personally drafted the immensely important Senate resolution that set up the select committee and provided its mandate.

Ervin gives the impression of being a man who seldom entertains regrets. He looked back last week on the Watergate probe and said he'd do it all the same way again.

"We had to throw that investigation together quickly and get the evidence quickly and I think the committee did as fine a job as was humanly possible under the circumstances. It gave the American people an opportunity to know what people high in government were



Washington Report

By Don Hill

doing in betrayal of the trust imposed on them," he said.

But even with much of the Watergate truth known, it was left to the other house of Congress to provide the leadership to tell a confused public how to regard President Nixon's role.

Another statesman from the upper South, Republican Caldwell Butler of Roanoke helped to do that.

Butler was known in his home country as a fighting, loyal Republican. He was, he said last month, a "kind of primitive Republican" who believed at first that Watergate was a conspiracy "sponsored principally by the liberal press."

But as a junior member of the House Judiciary Committee, charged with examining impartially the possible impeachment of the President, Butler was exposed, he said, to "an insidious process of revelations shaking our confidence in the executive branch and particularly in the candor of Richard Nixon."

So in the end, Caldwell Butler stood up to be counted, one of the first two Republican members to announce a proimpeachment stand and one of the firmest members of either party in that stand.

He said, "There will be no joy in it for me."

He also said, "If we fail to impeach, we have condoned and left unpunished a course of conduct totally inconsistent with the reasonable expectations of the American people . . . power appears to have corrupted. It is a sad chapter in American history, but I cannot condone what I have heard; I cannot excuse it, and I cannot and will not stand still for it."

A few days later, Richard Nixon—overruled in his attempt to bury evidence by a Supreme Court whose majority he had chosen, indicted by a bipartisan judiciary committee, impaled by evidence recorded in secret arrogance—stepped down.

What Sam Ervin of North Carolina had helped to begin, Caldwell Butler of Virginia helped to finish and the 93rd Congress took its firm place in history.

Twenty-five years ago, Congress passed a legislative reform act to reform its budget-making process. The effort dissolved in partisan wrangling, interhouse rivalries, and personal jealousies.

Last March, the Senate, in the second half of the 93rd Congress, passed a tightly written budget reform bill—inherently as controversial as any matter to come before a legislature—by an 80-0 vote.

The bill had come from the Senate Government Operations Committee, chaired by Ervin.

There were other bills and other efforts that distinguished the 93rd Congress. But these exemplify those efforts and the leadership exerted by statesmen from the upper South.

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BUTLER'S AIDE — Sixth District Representative M. Caldwell Butler and Hot Springs native Ted Dickerson smile from the steps of the Capitol. Dickerson

has worked in Butler's Washington office since graduating from Virginia Military Institute last Spring, and will now be entering the United States Army.

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SECOND SECTION

Thurs., Dec. 26, 1974

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Butler Supports Rockefeller

Sixth District Representative M. Caldwell Butler voted last week to recommend that the House of Representatives confirm Nelson Rockefeller to be Vice President of the United States, stating "It is interesting to note how often in our deliberations on Constitutional questions that we go outside the instrument for enlightenment as to the intentions of the founding fathers.

"We gain some insight here into the reliability of expressions of the original founding fathers from the divergent views of the 25th Amendment's founding fathers who still sit on this House Judiciary Committee.

"With this insight, I feel free to pursue my own interpretation of the 25th amendment without endeavoring to resolve different views of its founding fathers.

"I do not share the view that we have the total discretion of every citizen to vote for or against a candidate for any reason we deem appropriate or no reason at all.

"Our options are less than that because a vote against the nominee frustrates the purpose of the 25th amendment to assure that the country shall not be long without a Vice President. The choice in the first instance is the President's, and our responsibility is to reject that nomination only if

our investigation reveals compelling reasons reflecting on his personal integrity or his capacity to discharge the responsibilities that may become his," he said.

"I am far from total philosophical agreement with the nominee, but that decision — in my judgment — was the President's, not mine.

"I share reservations here expressed about the disabling limitations of great wealth; and the questionable judgment demonstrated on several occasions frequently mentioned. But, in my judgment, they fall far short of being disqualifying."

The World-News

Roanoke, Va., Wednesday, January 1, 1975 17

'Inflation-recession top '74 valley story

By ROGER HOLTMAN
Staff Writer

The developing economic story of the effects of inflation and recession on the people of the Roanoke Valley has been voted the top local news story of 1974 by the news staff of The World-News.

The staff members voted on what they considered to be the

10 stories most important locally during the year. The closing of Roanoke Industrial Loan & Thrift was ranked second.

The decision of the annexation court, which awarded six areas of land to the City of Roanoke, was voted third.

The number four story, according to the vote, was Rep. Caldwell Butler's support of two articles of impeachment

against then Pres. M. Nixon.

The staff considered even gas distributed to cars at gas stations for the month of November five.

The staff was considering, working on, covering, reporting

phone bill. It was the first rate increase granted to C&P since 1957.

On Dec. 4 the SCC rejected a request from Appalachian Power Co. (APCo) for a temporary emergency rate in-

crease of \$35.7 million. APCo had proposed that it would achieve the rate increase by raising its basic rate 44.7 per cent.

The SCC said it did not find that an emergency existed

within the meaning of the state law governing such rate requests. APCo on Dec. 2 filed for a \$36.1 million permanent rate increase. The petition

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asked that \$25 million become effective no later than Jan. 1, 1975, and the remainder would become effective no later than March 31.

The SCC is expected to hold public hearings on the rate increase request early in 1975.

The continuing economic story also was marked by the bankruptcy of two Arlans Department Stores in the valley and three companies of which James E. Long is listed as a principal. The James E. Long companies on Nov. 22 filed for reorganization under federal bankruptcy laws.

On Aug. 27, A&U Mobile Homes of Georgia, Inc., the headquarters of which were in Blacksburg, filed for a straight bankruptcy petition, citing inability to finance its inventories. The company had operated more than 35 mobile home lots from Florida to Virginia.

The year also was marked with rising prices on practically all fronts. On Sept. 3, the The World-News reported that the total cost of the market basket of grocery items had risen 25 per cent locally in a year. The national average at that time was 14 per cent for the year.

The second-most important story for the valley, as voted by the staff, was the closing of Roanoke Industrial Loan & Thrift. SCC bank examiners on Jan. 3 ordered the firm closed, saying they felt its solvency was in danger due to an outflow of its capital to affiliates in other states.

Roanoke Industrial at that time had deposits in excess of \$8 million. It was a subsidiary of Diversified Mountaineer Corp. of Charleston, W.Va. Roanoke Industrial's sister firm, Richmond Industrial Loan & Thrift, also was closed by the SCC.

Roanoke Industrial was purchased later by NB Corp. of Charlottesville. New Bank was formed, changing the loan firm to a bank. New Bank Dec. 16, almost a year after the closing, paid depositors the first installment on their savings, 10 per cent.

The number three local story, as voted by the staff, was the conclusion of the annexation court in November. The court, after a 19-day trial, awarded Roanoke City six separate areas of land. The areas included the land near Woodrum Airport, including Crossroads Mall, the area between Roanoke and Salem referred to

as the corridor, the Windsor Hills section, a portion of land east of U.S. 220 adjacent to the southern boundary of Roanoke and a large, mostly rural area east of the city along U.S. 460 and Tinker Creek, which includes the Statesmen Industrial Park.

During the trial, Roanoke County fought to remain and not be split between Roanoke and Salem, along what became known as the "yellow line." Vinton argued to remain part of the county unless the county was split, in which case Vinton wished to become a city.

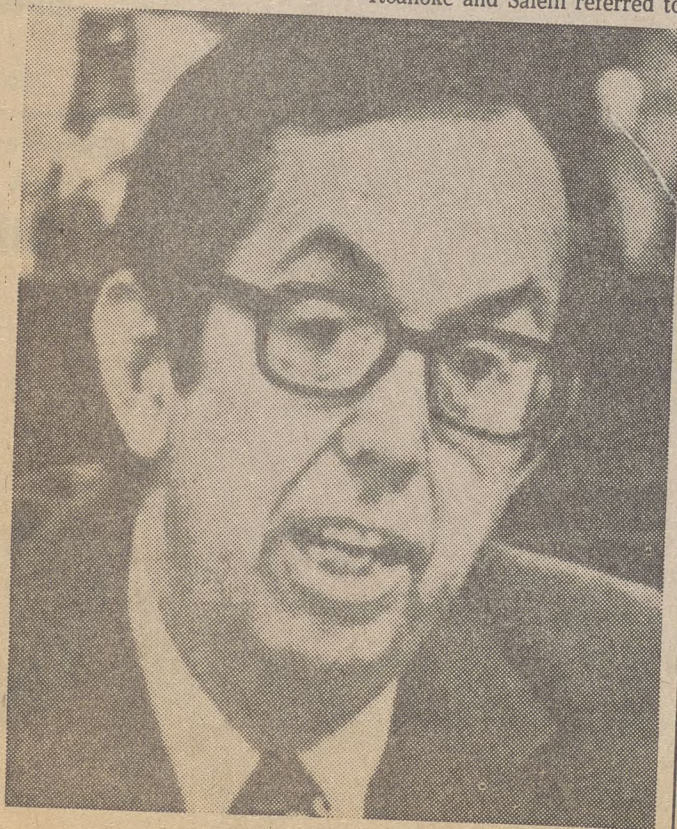
Brief recaps of the remaining seven stories, in order of the vote, follow.

On July 25, Rep. Calwell Butler, a Republican from Roanoke and a member of the House Judiciary Committee, said he would support two articles of impeachment against then President Richard M. Nixon.

In his statement, Butler, in part, said:

"In short, power appears to have corrupted. It is a sad chapter in American history, but I cannot condone what I have heard; I cannot excuse it, and I cannot and will not stand still for it."

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Associated Press

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler at committee hearings



Mrs. Betty Caldwell, waitress 2845 Sand Road, NE—"Butler's re-election was a big thing. A whole lot of people talking about that. And the police scandals—that was a good one. The story of inflation, though. That's got to be the biggest." Personally, the British export said in a Cockney accent, "the big thing for me was having seven people visit from England. They stayed 21 days and I'll tell you they can eat you out of house and home."

Butler Expects President To Take Firmer Stand

By MELVILLE CARICO
Times Political Writer

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler voiced the hope Thursday the White House will provide the new Congress with strong leadership in tackling the energy crisis and growing unemployment.

"The first move is up to the President," Butler told the Roanoke Kiwanis Club at Hotel Patrick Henry, then added:

"He has got to be more positive and firmer than in the past and I anticipate that he will...."

An undertone of disappointment that President Ford has not taken stronger positions ran through Butler's luncheon meeting remarks on the outlook for the new Congress in which a new bloc of liberal Democrats will hold the balance of power.

"The President's program is not as strong as it should be," Butler commented in recognizing a deteriorating economy.

Butler, at another point, said he sees no sentiment in Congress to raise the gas tax to discourage consumption but that he has been "surprised" by the "grass root" sentiment in his district for the tax.

"My view of it, like the surtax and everything else, is that the administration has handled it so poorly that they have built in so much opposition to the proposal that I don't think it is going to fly."

Butler said that

got to start restricting imports because "the problem is no longer one of oil, it is one of dollars...."

Butler said he does not foresee any early action by Congress on imposing wage and price controls "although sentiment for it is certainly growing."

Butler said he is "deeply disappointed" Congress did not follow President Ford's proposal to deregulate natural gas, calling it "one of the failures of the past Congress." He predicted greater pressure from the White House for deregulation.

Pointing to the Democrats' landslides in the November elections, Butler said Congress will be more liberal than in the past and predicted more than the usual confrontations between the White House and Congress.

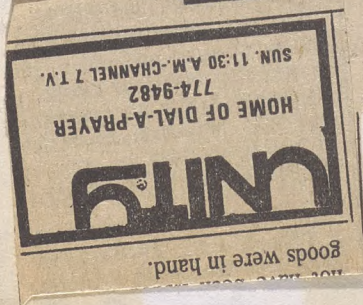
He predicted too that the new Congress will enact a new strip mining bill, perhaps stronger than the one President Ford vetoed, and that he will veto the new one, providing a test of whether the liberal Democrats have what they call "a veto proof Congress."

Butler said many of the new members in their campaigns last fall advocated repeal of section 14-B of the Taft-Hartley Act which allows Virginia to have a right-to-work law banning union shop contracts.

Butler said even with their new strength he does not know whether the Democrats have the votes to repeal 14-B but he told the Kiwanians they can expect an increase in efforts to wipe out this section of the labor law.

He predicted there will be another five-year extension of the federal Voting Rights Act

which forces Virginia to get Washington approval of any changes in its voting laws. Butler said that Virginia has made "real progress" in registering voters and encouraging adults to vote.



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Butler awaits Ford message

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, R-Va., says President Ford's State of the Union message will be crucial in providing leadership for Congress as it tackles the two most pressing national problems—the economy and energy.

The 6th District congressman told the Roanoke Kiwanis Club yesterday he felt the President's programs in both areas are "lacking in firmness."

Butler said on the economic front he foresees a tax cut as imminent in lower income brackets, probably coupled with a windfall profits tax and possibly with a closing of loopholes in upper income brackets.

The failure to deregulate the price of natural gas is one of the major shortcomings of the last session of Congress, said Butler, who predicted there will be limitations on the imports of fuel and concentration on development and conservation of domestic sources.

"The question is no longer one of oil, but of dollars," Bu-

tlar said.

He predicted the new Congress will renew the federal Voting Rights Act and Virginia will continue to be under its provisions, which make it mandatory for the state to have approval from the Justice Department before making any election law changes.

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Staunton, Va., Leader, Monday, Jan. 6, 1975

**REPRESENTATIVE WILL
BE IN CITY HALL**

A representative from the office of U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be in Staunton City Hall from 9 a.m. to noon Thursday to meet with area persons wishing to discuss matters pertaining to the federal government.

Those who have problems should bring with them their Social Security number or veteran's claim number and other documents pertaining to the problem.

Rep Butler to visit Buena Vista

Sixth District Representative M. Caldwell Butler will visit Buena Vista Jan. 13 for a morning open door meeting and an afternoon address at Parry McCluer High School, his office announced today.

Butler will conduct the open door meeting at Buena Vista city hall from 10 a.m. until 12 noon to talk with citizens wishing to discuss issues involving the federal government.

"Person-to-person contact is the best way a Congressman has of establishing good communications with his constituents," Butler said in announcing the meeting, "and I hope to be able to visit Buena Vista often during my second term in the Congress. It is important for me to be aware of the problems and views of the people that I represent."

The Congressman said he hopes the meeting will be attended both by those who are experiencing a difficulty with the federal bureaucracy and by those who wish to discuss any issues before the Congress.

Congressman Butler

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Deadline nears for summer jobs Butler says

Sixth District Representative M. Caldwell Butler today issued a reminder that the final deadline to apply for testing for 1975 summer jobs with federal agencies is Jan. 17.

The summer employment examination will be given sometime in February for those whose applications are received by this date. No further summer employment examinations will be offered.

Complete instructions for filing and information on opportunities are contained in the Civil Service Commission's announcement No. 414, "Summer Jobs in Federal Agencies," which may be obtained from the Norfolk Area Office of the United States Civil Service Commission, 415, Saint Paul Boulevard, Norfolk, Va. 23501. There are also a limited number of applications available in Representative Butler's district offices. Most college placement offices also have the application forms.

The U.S. Postal Service does not participate in the 1975 summer employment examination. Inquiries regarding postal service summer employment should be directed to the post office where employment is desired.

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CLIFTON FORGE, VA., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1975

Butler scheduled to speak at annual chamber meeting

M. Caldwell Butler, U.S. Congressman for the Sixth District of Virginia, will be the featured speaker at the annual dinner meeting of the Covington-Alleghany County Chamber of Commerce to be held at The Homestead at Hot Springs, Wednesday, Jan. 15, 7 p.m., it was announced today by Harry K. Williams, president of the Chamber. He will talk on important current issues in the country and what the Administration and the Congress

are doing about them.

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The office of the Chamber of Commerce urges those who wish to attend to get their tickets as promptly as possible. Deadline for acceptance of reservations will be Jan. 13. Tickets will be available at

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The first meeting of the new year of the board of directors of the Covington-Alleghany County Chamber of Commerce was held Monday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce offices.

This was the first meeting for the eight newly elected board members and was the meeting at which officers were elected and staff appointed for the current year. In the absence of president Harry K. Williams, vice president Ray K. Bennington presided at the meeting and welcomed the new members to the board.

Bennington, manager of Covington Tire Company, was elected president, John B. Mitchell, partner in Hammond-Mitchell, Inc. contracting firm, vice president, and Edward W. Gibson Jr., assistant cashier of First National Exchange Bank, was elected treasurer. B. C. Moomaw Jr. was reappointed as executive vice president and Miss Lily M. Albert as secretary.

Bennington in welcoming the new board members told them the Chamber would appreciate any thoughts or ideas they might have to give that would contribute to the continued success of the activities of the Chamber of Commerce.

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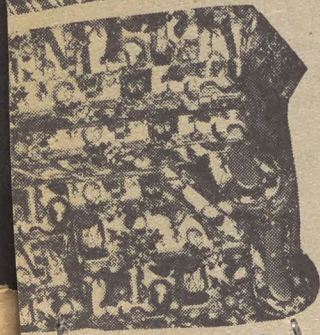
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No date has been set for the wedding. Miss Hull is a senior at Highland High School.

Mr. Hammer, a graduate of Highland High School, is employed by Hammer's Chevrolet in Monterey.

Monterey Teen Center to Open

MONTEREY - The Monterey Teen Center, which meets in the basement of the Monterey United Methodist Church, will hold its grand opening this Friday evening from 9:45 p.m. to 12 midnight.

The Center is open to young people who are 13 years of age or older. Admission is 50 cents per person.

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Butler Seeks Reassignment

By JACK BETTS

Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler is seeking reassignment to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to give state utilities more of a voice on Capitol Hill.

Butler said in a telephone interview this week he would retain his seat on the House Judiciary Committee but hoped for reassignment to the Atomic Energy Committee, which oversees and drafts legislation regulating the nation's nuclear energy producers.

The Roanoke Republican said he would drop his post with the House Administration Committee to take the new position if it becomes available.

Citing the location of Babcock and Wilcox, a nuclear development and research firm in Lynchburg, and Virginia Electric Power Co.'s involvement in nuclear reactors, Butler said he had "been encouraged by a number of people to join the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy."

He said he had asked House minority leader John Rhodes, R-Ohio for the new committee and, failing that, for an alternate reassignment to the House Small Business subcommittee.

While on the House Administration Committee, Butler helped draft federal campaign legislation enacted into law. But he indicated he was less than satisfied with being on that committee.

"I could live with not being on there anymore," Butler said.

Butler said he had no desire to leave the House Judiciary Committee, an assignment he had doubts about when he first came to Congress. But in the last two years he has taken part in the committee's deliberations confirming two vice presidents of the United States and approving the first articles of impeachment against a president in more than a century.

A congressional source said Butler's reassignment to the House Small Business Committee, which will be a standing committee in its own right for the first time this year, was virtually assured while his request to join the atomic energy panel was less certain of approval.

Waynesboro Community Hospital News

Visiting hours for maternity patients are 3 to 4:30 and 7 to 8 p.m. and for medical and surgical patients are 3 to 5 and 6:30 to 8 p.m. Below is a list of admissions and discharges provided by the Waynesboro Community Hospital.

ADMITTED Saturday to Waynesboro Community Hospital:

Mr. Howard H. Collier, 214
Belvue Rd.

Mr. Ralph W. Fitzgerald
Route 2, Stuarts Draft

Mrs. Ollive G. Walsh, 659 N
Winchester Ave.

Mr. James C. Fitzgerald
Lyndhurst

Mrs. Lionel T. McKean, Route
1, Afton

Mrs. Robert L. Arbaugh, 150
Mulberry St.

Master Robert H. Morris II,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F.
Morris II, Route 2

Mrs. David E. Fitzgerald, 160
Hopeman Parkway

Miss Deborah L. Yancey, 36
Market Ave.

DISCHARGED Saturday:

Mrs. Sylvester W. Kibler

Mrs. H. Wayne Koiner

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Buena Vista Visit Is Set By Butler

BUENA VISTA (Special) — Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will visit Buena Vista Jan. 13 for a morning Open Door Meeting and an afternoon address at Parry McCluer High School, his office announced today.

Mr. Butler will conduct the Open Door Meeting at Buena Vista City Hall from 10 a.m. until 12 noon to talk with citizens wishing to discuss issues involving the federal government.

"Person-to-person contact is the best way a Congressman has of establishing good communications with his constituents," Mr. Butler said in announcing the meeting, "and I hope to be able to visit Buena Vista often during my second term in the Congress. It is important for me to be aware of the problems and views of the people that I represent."

Congressman Butler noted that appointments are not necessary, however, if one is desired, contact his Roanoke District Office (703-981-1231).

Mr. Butler will address Parry McCluer High School students at 2:15 p.m. on the subject of "Watergate: The Constitutional Crisis."

He was invited to speak by the Honors Class at the high school, which has invited a series of speakers to discuss practical political issues.

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Gift to Butler #9 reported returned

A spokesman in the Washington office of Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler said today that although Butler did receive a campaign contribution from the American Trucking Association's Truck Operators Nonpartisan Committee, he returned the contribution.

The spokesman said that Butler received a check from the committee on Oct. 28, 1974, and returned it on Oct. 30, 1974, with a letter explaining the representative's policy "not to accept campaign contributions from anyone other than individuals."

Butler was among six Virginia congressmen included on a list filed with the Clerk of the House showing contributions to 117 representatives made by the committee between the final Oct. 24 reporting date and the November elections. All six of the congressmen later voted for a bill allowing heavier trucks on the interstate highway system.

The other Virginia congressmen listed were Democrat

David E. Satterfield III of the Third District and Republicans Robert W. Daniel Jr. of the Fourth District, Kenneth Robinson of the Seventh District, William Whitehurst of the Second District and William C. Wampler of the Ninth District.

The list did not include the amount of the contribution and the spokesman for Butler said that the Washington office has no record of the amount of the check sent to Butler. The amount of the contributions must be filed with the clerk by Jan. 31.

The weight-increase bill, signed by President Ford Saturday, had been rejected earlier in the 93rd Congress but passed 307-67 in the waning days of the session—about a month after the election.

The new law permits an increase in gross weight from 73,280 pounds per truck to 80,000 pounds and allows states that permit even heavier trucks on noninterstate roads to allow those trucks on the interstate system.

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Butler wants on N-panel

WASHINGTON—Sixth District Rep. Caldwell Butler is seeking an assignment to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to give state utilities more of a voice in Congress.

He said he has asked House minority leader John Rhodes, R-Ohio, for assignment to that committee. If that is not possible, he asked to be named to the House Small Business Subcommittee.

He would drop his post with the House Administration Committee in order to take the new position, but would retain his seat on the House Judiciary Committee.

Butler cited the location of Babcock and Wilcox, a nuclear

development and research firm in Lynchburg, and Virginia Electric Power Co.'s involvement in reactors as reasons for his proposed change.

Returned donation, Butler says

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, R-Va., said today he received but returned a campaign contribution from the trucking industry last fall.

The 6th District representative was among six Virginia congressmen listed Wednesday as having received donations from the American Trucking Association and later having voted for a bill permitting heavier trucks on the interstate highway system.

Others were Democrat David Satterfield III of the 3rd District and Republicans Robert W. Daniel of the 4th, J. Kenneth Robinson of the 7th, William Whitehurst of the 1st and William C. Wampler of the 9th.

Butler acknowledged today that he received a check last Oct. 28 from the Truck Operators Non-Partisan Committee, but said he returned the check on Oct. 30. He said he didn't recall how much the check was for.

In an accompanying letter, Butler said he wrote committee chairman Frank L. Grimm that he had come to the conclusion that pooled contributions "are one of the greatest evils in American politics today."

Butler Aide Visit

Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Amherst Courthouse on January 14 from 9 to 12 noon to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government.

Any person wishing to discuss a particular problem with Congressman Butler's representative should bring with them all papers and correspondence dealing with the case, in addition to knowing their veteran's claim and Social Security numbers.

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Butler Returned Trucking Campaign Gift

By BEN BEAGLE
Times Staff Writer

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler said Thursday he returned a "pool" campaign contribution from the trucking industry last fall because he considers such contributions "one of the greatest evils in American politics today."

Butler, in the district during the congressional recess repeated what he had called such

contributions in a letter he wrote refusing a check from the American Trucking Association's Truck Operators Non-Partisan Committee.

The Republican congressman said that he had accepted such contributions during his first campaign for Congress but when he got to Washington he saw the power organized labor had and made it a policy not to accept such "pool" donations.

Butler said he didn't want to suggest "that organized labor is good or bad" but that such campaign contribution practices are not right.

Butler's name was listed Wednesday among 177 members of Congress in a report to the clerk of the House of Representatives as having received donations from the trucking industry and then voting recently for heavier truck weights on interstate highways.

The Associated Press said the 9th District Republican William C. Wampler also re-

ceived a contribution from the same source.

Wampler's Bristol office said the congressman was attending meetings in the district and referred reporters to Wampler's campaign treasurer, Anthony Trigiani of Big Stone Gap.

Trigiani said he didn't recall such a donation, that it may or may not have been made and accepted.

Trigiani, who indicated he saw nothing wrong with such a contribution, said "I'll bet you a dollar to a doughnut he (Wampler) doesn't know" if the contribution was made or not.

Trigiani said "we haven't fully analyzed it (campaign giving) and we'll have to check our contributors' list."

Other Virginia congressmen on the list were Reps. David Satterfield III, 3rd District Democrat; Robert W. Daniel, 4th District Republican; J. Kenneth Robinson, 7th District

Republican, and William Whitehurst, 2nd District Republican.

In an interview Thursday, Butler said of such contributions "the guy who delivers you the money has a message." Butler said there is nothing wrong with lobbying but when it is accompanied by large contributions "it puts both the lobbyist and the recipient" in a bad position.

Butler, who said he doesn't recall the amount of the check, said he has unsuccessfully tried to amend campaign giving legislation and he wonders if "really lobbyists ought to be limited to educating the officeholder or the candidate."

Butler added that the letter to Frank Grimm, the treasurer of the trucking organization, was not unique. "This is almost a form letter," the congressman said. He said he has sent several to organizations offering such contributions.

"I didn't intend to offend anybody," the congressman said.

In the letter, written Oct. 30 after the check was sent on Oct. 28, Butler wrote that he had been unsuccessful "in my efforts to have campaign reform legislation amended to prohibit all pooled contributions."

Butler said his legislation would have "required all donors of all political contributions to designate the ultimate recipient of the contribution."

"As you might expect," Butler wrote, "the labor interests were able to prevent the amendment from being offered on the floor of the House of Representatives."

Butler wrote that it is his strong policy to accept gifts only from individuals "and this is the position with which I have burdened my finance committee."

Butler said he would have

been "reasonably pleased to have it as part of my campaign chest if the original donors could be identified and you could assure me that each had designated his portion of the contribution to your fund to come to me."

Butler said he would then have sent a receipt to each of the donors for the amount of the contribution.

Butler said in the letter he didn't want to appear ungrateful or "unnecessarily righteous" but his response was the "result of a decision which I announced publicly, and from which I cannot graciously retreat, regardless of the expense to me."

Says Office Of Rep. Butler

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler was among six Virginia congressmen listed as having received a contribution from the American Trucking Association's Truck Operators Nonpartisan Committee, a contribution which was returned according to a spokesman in Butler's office.

During the 1973 campaign, Butler announced that he would not accept contributions from anyone other than individual donors.

The check from the truckers' group was returned Oct. 30, 1973, two days after it arrived in the congressman's campaign office.

All six of the Virginians receiving contributions from the group later voted for a bill allowing heavier trucks on the interstate highway system.

trucking industry before donation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seventh District Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, R-Va., says he backed increases in truck load limits long before he received a contribution from the trucking industry in last fall's campaign.

Robinson was among six Virginia congressmen listed as having received contributions from the American Trucking Association and later having voted for a measure to permit heavier trucks on interstate highways.

In a weekend statement, Robinson said he voted for the legislation that was passed by 307-67 last Dec. 18 but that he also voted last Aug. 20, long before the contribution, for the truck weight boost.

"As a matter of fact, I have supported gradual increases in truck load limits over a period of years, with due regard to highway safety factors, and the improvements which have been made in both highway and truck design," Robinson said.

He characterized his home 7th District as an area heavily dependent upon truck transportation for shipping and receiving goods.

"Virginia already permits travel over its principal noninterstate highways of heavier loads than the interstate limits, and the federal change seems reasonable to give Virginia highway shipments full access to the interstates," said Robinson, who added:

"A moderate increase in load limits compensates, in part, for the reduced efficiency of the trucking system re-

quired by the 55-mile-per-hour national highway speed limit."

The six Virginia congressmen were on a list of 117 whose names appeared on a list filed with the clerk of the House showing contributions made by the truckers' committee.

Democrat David E. Satterfield III of the 3rd District denied having received any such funds, and 6th District Republican M. Caldwell Butler admitted he received a contribution from the trucking industry but sent it back.

Other Virginians listed as having received donations were Republicans Robert W. Daniel of the 4th District, G. William Whitehurst of the 2nd and William C. Wampler of the 9th.

Butler speaks on impeachment

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Butler Speaks

To Students

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Butler To Hold Open Door Meetings

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Butler will conduct the Highland County meeting at the County Court House in Monterey at 10 a.m. The Bath County meeting will be at the County Court House in Warm Springs at 2 p.m.

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The Congressman said he hopes the meeting will be attended both by those who are experiencing a difficulty with the federal bureaucracy and by those who wish to discuss any issues before the Congress.

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Butler will be in Covington January 15 to address the Covington-Alleghany County Chamber of Commerce.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Blagg spent Sunday afternoon with the Rev. and Mrs. Lee Sheaffer at Petersburg, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Shifflett and son Todd of Roanoke were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Prillaman and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Eagle visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eagle and family at Lone Fountain.

Mrs. Evelyn Bowers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll R. Echard, Kim, and Mrs. Mary Hull of Churchville.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmerman of Staunton visited with Mrs. Liza Jane Simmons and Miss Lottie Simmons Thursday.

Mrs. Leta Armstrong of McDowell and Miss Pam Armstrong spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Gertie Snyder.

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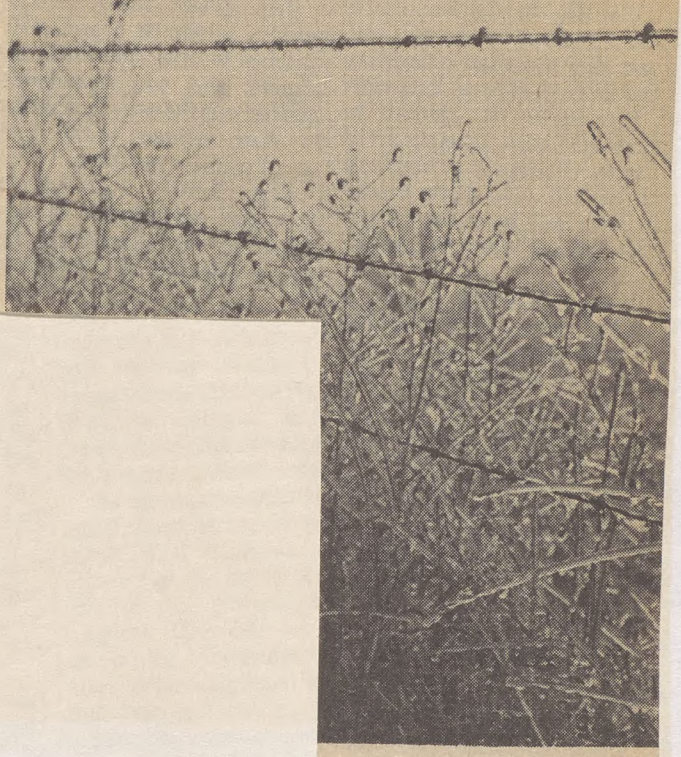
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Butler Will Speak At Chamber Dinner

Congressman M. Caldwell Butler who represents the Sixth Congressional District will be the main speaker at the annual Covington-Alleghany County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet tonight at The Homestead.

Rep. Butler was first elected in November of 1972 to fill the unexpired term of retired Rep. Richard H. Poff. He was again elected in 1974 to the U. S. Congress.

He had served in the Virginia General Assembly as a member of the House of Delegates from his native city, Roanoke. These terms lasted from 1961 until 1971. During his decade in Rich-

mond he was elected Chairman of the Republican Caucus and the Minority leader of the House.

In Washington he is a member of the House Committee on the Judiciary which participated in the confirmation hearings of Vice President Gerald R. Ford and the impeachment investigation of former President Nixon.

Rep. Butler was named to the Republican Task Force on Election Reform and chaired the Task Force's Subcommittee on Voter Registration and joined in the drafting of legislation aimed at correcting the electoral process. In 1974 he was appointed to the Committee on

House Administration which includes jurisdiction over all election law legislation.

Butler was the GOP floor manager of the bill to create the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration. He has been appointed to the Board of the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

Born in Roanoke on June 2, 1925, he attended public schools in Roanoke and received an AB



M. Caldwell Butler

degree at the University of Richmond. In 1950 he received an LLB degree from the University of Virginia School of Law. He is married to the former June Nolde of Richmond and the couple have four sons.

He practiced law in Roanoke from 1950 until his election to Congress and was a partner in the firm of Eggleston, Holton, Butler and Glenn. He resigned from the firm when elected as did his partner, former Governor Linwood Holton, when he was elected.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. and Rep. Butler will speak on current issues in the country and what the Administration and the Congress are doing about them.

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Page 16 Buena Vista News, Thursday, January 16, 1975



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The Bedford Bulletin-Democrat, January 16, 1975

might run for the State Senate seat now held by Senator Robert S. Burruss, Jr., in the November election was discussed at a meeting in Lexington Saturday, Jan. 11, of Republican leaders of the Sixth and Ninth Congressional Districts.

Mr. Saunders ran a strong race in last November's election for the Sixth District's Congressman, carrying both Bedford County and Bedford City and showing strength in other units of the district. Winner of the election was Congressman M. Caldwell Butler.

At Lexington Carroll Freeman, chairman of the Lynchburg Republican Committee, said he would not be surprised if Mr. Saunders made the race in November against the Republican incumbent of the Senate seat for the Twenty-third District, which includes Bedford City and County, Amherst County and the City of Lynchburg.

Roanoke, Virginia, Thursday, January 16, 1975

Directly behind him is Vice President Rockefeller

Butler Backs Business Credits

From Staff and Wire Reports

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler said Wednesday afternoon he has some reservations about the tax cut and rebate portion of President Ford's economic program, but he indicated some strong support for the 12 per cent tax credit for business.

Butler, Republican congressman for the 6th District, said he questions the wisdom and effectiveness of a tax cut. "I think we will have to take a long hard look at how it's done and what the effects will be."

Virginia Sen. Harry F. Byrd also expressed reservations about the remaining federal deficit bulge which would exist after the cuts.

Butler said he is "reserving judgment" on the tax cut because of its complexity and because it would add to the federal deficit. That's inflationary in itself."

He said the 12 per cent tax credit recommendation is "a big jump but I think it's clearly indicated."

Butler said the tax credit in-

crease (from the present 7 per cent for business and 4 per cent for utilities) would encourage higher productivity, an economic activity that would benefit the public by creating jobs.

"It will be interesting to see what effects it (increased tax credit) will have on utility rates," Butler said.

Butler, a freshman congressman from Roanoke who gained national prominence during the House Judiciary Committee's Watergate hearings, praised Ford's delivery of the

State of the Union message earlier Wednesday. He said he was impressed by Ford's showing of a "confidence in office that he has not had before."

Butler said Ford is trying to stimulate economic activity to decrease unemployment while trying to hold down inflation.

He called Ford's recommended program a "candid approach" and said the President "has thrown down the gauntlet to Congress." Ford

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Rep. Butler Backs Credit for Business

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has measured up to his responsibilities, Butler said, and now it is time for Congress to measure up to its responsibilities.

He said Ford gave a similar speech in October. "The difference is the confidence of the man. I think he has grown in the office."

Butler made his remarks at Woodrum Airport in a brief news conference. He was on his way to speak to a Covington Chamber of Commerce dinner in Hot Springs.

In Washington, Sen. Harry F. Byrd said Ford's economic program is "a surrender to inflation."

Byrd, an independent and a fiscal conservative, said he did

not "necessarily" oppose a cut in taxes, but that "revenue reduction should be matched by decreases in spending."

"The enormous deficits the President envisions — and I think they will be even higher than he estimates — are bound to make our double-digit inflation even worse," Byrd said.

The President's program, Byrd declared, "will perpetuate the inflationary psychology which leads to ever-higher prices and larger wage demands."

While declaring himself "deeply disappointed" in Ford's economic proposals, Byrd said he would reserve judgment for the time being "on the particulars" of the over-all program.

Byrd, Butler see bigger deficit

Ford plan called inflationary

By The Associated Press

Two Virginia congressmen have expressed reservations about President Ford's program to right the economy, saying the plan is inflationary.

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Democratic Rep. W. C. (Dan) Daniel of the 5th District said he favors a tax cut but "a reduction in revenue without a reduction in spending will compound our national fiscal problems. It is absolutely imperative that federal spending be drastically curtailed. The alternative is to guarantee double-digit inflation."

Republican Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson of the 7th District said he could not accept the President's suggestion that cash payments be made to persons whose income is so low that they pay no income taxes.

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Chamber Hears Butler

By JOHN M. GAZZOLA JR.

HOT SPRINGS — Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler, speaking at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Covington and Alleghany County here in the Commonwealth Room of The Homestead Wednesday night, predicted the new Congress will follow a liberal philosophy in its attack of the nation's problems.

Butler who described the new Democratic breed of Congressmen as being extremely sophisticated in their political outlook, did not discount a non-partisan viewpoint when it comes to the solving of America's ills.

He told of five experienced freshmen Democrats who have come back to Congress after being defeated earlier in the Republican wave. "They are exhibiting a lot of influence among their own party members and even threatening to unseat some of their own people in important committee chairmanships."

Change Of Pace

Butler used a change of pace in his address, mixing both humor and insight into his judgements of the previous Congress and the new legislative body.

"You know when I first became a Congressman, Dick Poff advised me to get on the judiciary committee as a safe place to learn about Congress, because nothing ever happens there. I think I'll give it one more chance."

Butler termed National Health Insurance, tax reform, strip mining legislation, and no fault automobile insurance as important areas to watch. "I read where Virginia legislators are bypassing no-fault automobile insurance because they think it is dead nationally. I think they should come up with some type of legislation."

The right to work a law which allows a worker to either join or reject a union if he chooses



M. Caldwell Butler
.. Addresses Chamber

which is followed by Virginia and a number of states, may be in for some attack this Congress, Butler believes.

The Sixth District Congressman described President Gerald Ford as a man who now has the knowledge that as president it is his duty to lead and he expects to lead. "Circumstances often elevate a man to the true importance of his job," Butler said.

Praises Ford

Butler praised the President's State of Union speech which he termed as well thought out and well presented. On a local note, Butler said that while certain

groups and individuals will always be raising the question of the cost of the Gathright Dam as contrasted to benefit, he intends, "To do what I can to see the appropriation for its completion go through." As to a completion date, Butler said that 1977 seems to be about when the dam will be finished though officials of the Corps of Engineers are reluctant to make any timetable predictions.

Butler called chamber executive vice president Ben C. Moomaw Jr. who was missing from the meeting because of confinement in the Bath County Community Hospital with an

illness, an outstanding man. "I share your disappointment he isn't here," Butler said.

Now in his second two-year term, Butler offered thanks to his supporters who helped him in the successful November, 1974 election. "To those who didn't help me may I remind you had nothing and you got nothing." Watergate and the Tidal basin affairs were also alluded to by the Sixth District Congressman in his off-the-cuff remarks.

The speaker was introduced by outgoing chamber president Harry K. Williams who said one of the difficulties with the night was trying to come close to the headtable introductions that were a delightful Moomaw trademark.

Board Of Directors

Williams also presented the new Board of Directors and introduced new president Ray K. Bennington who will lead during the 1975-76 fiscal year.

The invocation was presented by Dr. Maurice G. Hancock, pastor of the Covington Baptist Church, and the new officers, in addition to Bennington, include vice president John B. Mitchell, treasurer Edward W. Gibson Jr., executive vice president Moomaw and secretary Miss Lily B. Albert.

Members of the Board of Directors are: Earl R. Bailey, Ray K. Bennington, Kenny Bryant, James I. Dill, Dennis B. Draper, Edward B. Gibson Jr., Fred E. Hatten, W. Robert Herbert, Harry K. Williams.

Also: Burl Higginbotham, Delbert R. Kerns, Warren H. Linkous, John B. Mitchell, Charles E. Nichols, Joseph T. Norkus, Burdette A. Rupert and David L. Waters.

Staunton
**Representative Of
Congressman To
Be Here Wednesday**

A representative from Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler will be in Covington on Wednesday from 8:45 a.m. until 10 a.m. at City Hall, to meet anyone wishing to discuss a problem concerning the federal government. All persons wishing to discuss a particular problem are urged to bring correspondence and papers relating to the matter.

Congressman Butler's representative will be in Clifton Forge on Tuesday, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at City Hall.

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Staunton, Va., Leader, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1975 15

REP TO BE IN STAUNTON

A representative of U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be in Staunton City Hall Thursday from 1-5 p.m. to discuss matters with constituents.

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Butler Aide

To Visit Area

A representative of the office of 6th District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be at Lexington City Hall from 11 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. Tuesday to meet with persons experiencing difficulties with the federal government.

Persons who wish to discuss such problems are urged to bring all correspondence and papers concerning their cases.

Clifton Forge
**Representative
set for meet**

A representative of Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's office will be at Clifton Forge city hall Jan. 21, from 2-4 p.m. to meet with those who wish to discuss a problem concerning the Federal Government. All persons wishing to discuss a particular problem are urged to bring all correspondence or papers relating to the case.

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The Hon. Caldwell Butler was in Buena Vista most all day Monday. He was at the Municipal Building, and met with residents about their personal problems. At noon, he spoke to an invited group, at a dutch treat luncheon.

That afternoon, he spoke to students at Parry McCluer High School, and was the speaker at the Honors Course class at the school. Mr. Butler, a popular member of Congress, has indeed been attentive to Buena Vista, which is in his district.

Federal Aid Available, Butler Tells Businessmen

The Buena Vista-Rockbridge County area has been designated an economic re-development area, making it possible to obtain federal funds for industries, Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler told local businessmen Monday afternoon, January 13.

Butler was in Buena Vista Monday explaining Congressional policies and outlooks for the 94th session which convened on Tuesday in Washington, D.C. He met with local residents at an open door meeting Monday morning and with industry and community leaders for lunch, followed by an address to Parry McCluer High School students.

Butler said that he had received notification of the new designation last week by the Economic Development Authority (EDA) and told the local leaders that the designation "may be of value if the economic situation becomes worse."

The designation could mean that some federal aid would be available to assist local industries facing economic problems because of inflation coupled with recession.

Butler also told the group of approximately 35 that he was "dedicated to accelerating as fast as I can" the flood control project for Buena Vista. The project has already received a \$250,000 appropriation for a design study by the Army Corps of

Engineers and Butler said the study should be under way soon.

Butler said that the state of the economy and the energy crisis will probably be the major issues to come before the Congress during this

session. He said that a trend toward more liberal voting because of an influx of liberal Democrats could provide a "swing group" for block voting on bills.

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CHAPTER II
My Junior Service

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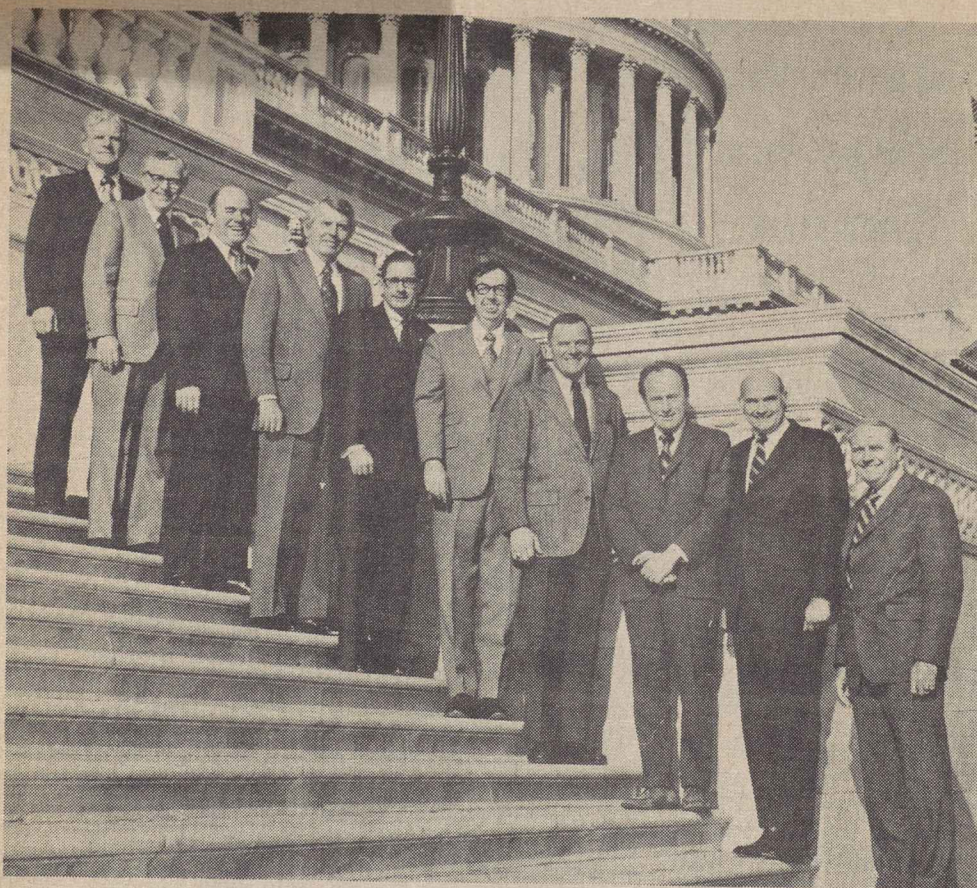
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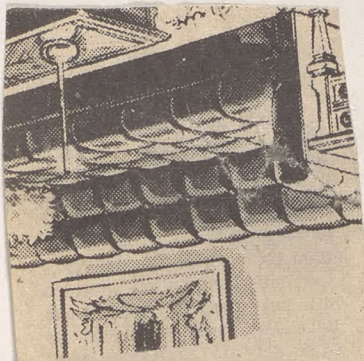
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Butler said the binding caucus rule is closely related to the issue of open committee and party meetings. Butler has urged that committee meetings and party caucuses or conferences be open "in all cases except specific instances when the interest of the public dictates otherwise." Such instances, he said, would include cases where there is potential for defamation of an individual, unreasonable invasion of a person's private affairs, revelation of proprietary information of a business, or revelation of information essential to important national interests.

Butler said that committee or party sessions closed for such reasons should be closed only by a recorded vote.

Butler urged similar rules for conference meetings, which are held when the House and Senate disagree on certain provisions of a bill which has passed both chambers in different forms. Many key legislative issues are decided in such sessions, but they may be closed to the public by the request of either the House or Senate members.

Butler once again blasted the Democrats for deleting the prohibition of proxy voting from Congressional rules. "The House voted in October of last year to ban proxy voting. Now the Democrats, meeting in closed session, have deleted that provision from the Rules," Butler said.

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Butler also chided his Democratic colleagues for not permitting the broadcasting of House sessions on a trial basis during the 94th Congress. "As the 'people branch' Congress has a special obligation to open its activities and proceedings to the widest possible public view," Butler said.

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Butler Calls Meeting On Economy of District

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He said he will hear the views of "all interested citizens" as well as those of representatives of business, labor and industrial and consumer organizations at the one-day conference.

Chambers of commerce of the cities and counties of the 6th District have agreed to coordinate four regional meetings at which the groundwork for the conference will be laid, Butler said.

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Lexington Chamber of Commerce official Ralph Householder said the chamber is encouraging retail merchants and other businesses in the area to send representatives to the meeting. He said the chamber is also helping to provide Butler with statistics on unemployment and other types of information about this area.

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Conference Will Seek More Than Statistics

More than statistics will be sought in the Sixth District Economic Conference scheduled next week in Natural Bridge, according to James V. Shircliff.

Shircliff has been named chairman for the portion of the economic meeting involving Lynchburg and Amherst and Bedford counties. He is chairman of the Greater Lynchburg

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The day-long economic conference has been called by Rep. M. Caldwell Butler. It will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at Natural Bridge Hotel.

Shircliff said Tuesday that Butler has scheduled the meeting because he wants to know the feelings of Sixth District

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Ford budget rapped by Byrd, Butler

By JACK BETTS
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Fiscal conservatives Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr., I-Va., and Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, R-Va. have taken dim views of the Ford administration's record \$349 billion budget proposal.

In terse statements issued from their Washington offices, each made it plain the estimated \$51.9 billion deficit in the budget was repugnant to them.

Said Byrd, "President Ford's huge deficit spending program is unwise and unsound. It is an ill-considered reaction to our economic problems and will prove a blueprint for more inflation."

Butler said the issue facing Congress "is where to draw the

line between efforts to contain inflation and efforts to stimulate economic activity. My natural inclination is to consider that, in the long run, containing inflation is the more important. The President's budget proposal indicates a less conservative approach than mine, so I view it with real reservations."

Virginia Republican Sen. William L. Scott said he would have more to say about the budget when he holds open door meetings with the public in Richmond and Roanoke next week, but said, "I agree with some parts of his budget message but I'm very much distressed with the amount of deficit spending.

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Butler Speaks To Students

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, speaking to Parry McCluer High School Students Monday, said the Watergate scandal proved the government structure can withstand an impeachment proceeding against a president.

Butler, who was also in the city to hold an open door meeting, said the structure, with the Constitution as "a divinely inspired instrument, could resist any governmental crisis the government might face in the future."

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"I am particularly pleased to have been appointed to the new Committee on Small Business," Butler said of his appointment. "The largest employer in America is the small businessman. He contributes more taxes, works longer hours, and suffers more at the hands of the Federal Government than any other group I know. The economic health of the American small business is a vital component of our economy, and I am anxious to do all I reasonably can to assist."

This is the first year that the Small Business Committee has operated as a standing committee of the House of Representatives. Previously, it served as a select committee, which had no authority to draft legislation.

Butler will also serve on the Judiciary Committee in the 94th Congress, where he will be ranking Republican member of the Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights.

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Rep. Butler to Hold Economic Conference

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The ROANOKE TRIBUNE, Thursday, February 6, 1975

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All interested citizens are urged to participate. Butler said he hopes to hear from representatives of business, labor, industry and consumer organizations.

Butler Hits Democrat House #25

Sixth District Representative M. Caldwell Butler Monday targeted five areas of Congressional reform for the 94th Congress.

Butler, who has criticized Democratic reform efforts, said his program for reform includes abolition of the binding caucus rule, further opening of committee sessions, public conference sessions, abolition of proxy voting and trial broadcasting of Congressional procedures.

"The so-called 'reform-minded' Democratic party ramrodded its Rules for the 94th Congress through the House of Representatives last week without addressing itself to the real issues of Congressional accessibility," Butler charged.

Butler, who is a member of the House Republican Task Force on Congressional Reform, blasted the Binding Caucus rule as a procedure "contrary to representative government." This mechanism, which is used only by the Democratic party, allows Democrats to vote in closed committee sessions on controversial issues, and then binds their members to vote the majority position in public floor sessions and public committee sessions.

Butler said the binding caucus rule is closely related to the issue of open committee and party meetings. Butler has urged that committee meetings and party caucuses or conferences be open "in all cases except specific instances when the interest of the public dictates otherwise."

Butler said that committee or party sessions closed for

such reasons should be closed only by a recorded vote.

Butler urged similar rules for conference meetings, which are held when the House and Senate disagree on certain provisions of a bill which has passed both chambers in different forms. Many key legislative issues are decided in such sessions, but they may be closed to the public by the request of either the House or Senate members.

Butler once again blasted the Democrats for deleting the prohibition of proxy voting from Congressional Rules. "The House voted in October of last year to ban proxy voting. Now the Democrats, meeting in closed session, have deleted that provision from the Rules," Butler said.

"Proxy voting allows certain privileged senior members to serve on more than one major committee, because

they do not have to invest their time in active committee work," Butler said. "Active participation in committee work is central to the legislative process, but proxy voting allows members to transfer that obligation to another person."

Butler also chided his Democratic colleagues for not permitting the broadcasting of House sessions on a trial basis during the 94th Congress. "As the 'people's branch' Congress has a special obligation to open its activities and proceedings to the widest possible public view," Butler said.

Butler names conference coordinators

WASHINGTON—U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler today announced names of the regional coordinators for his economic conference on Feb. 12 at Natural Bridge.

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The deadline for filing applications is March 14.

Rep. Butler said that a selection committee will be formed to review all applications and to make the final selections. The members of that committee will be announced shortly.

Henderson Is Butler Coordinator

WASHINGTON (Special) — Lovitt Henderson of Staunton has been named one of four regional coordinators for an economic conference by Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler.

The conference, sponsored by Mr. Butler, is set for Wednesday at Natural Bridge.

Mr. Henderson will represent the Shenandoah Valley area, including Highland County.

He is manager of personnel relations for Westinghouse Electric Corp. and has been active in the Staunton-Augusta Chamber of Commerce and is chairman of the Chamber's Governmental Affairs Committee.

The conference will evaluate the economy in the sixth district in hopes that Mr. Butler may better judge the potential impact of recommendations before the Congress to strengthen the economy and expand domestic energy production, said a spokesman.

The conference format calls for four regional meetings in the morning session, which will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Natural Bridge Hotel. There will be presentations from each of the regional groups in the afternoon, added the spokesman.

Other regional coordinators include Warner Dalhouse representing the Roanoke Valley area, including Botetourt County; James C. Shircliff of Lynchburg for the Lynchburg-Bedford-Amherst area; and Dr. John F. Backels of Clifton Forge for the Alleghany-Bath area.

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In addition to presiding over the morning regional conferences on February 12, each regional coordinator will bring

together interested participants before the conference for preliminary meetings.

"I hope that much of the actual work of the conference can be done in these preliminary meetings," Butler said, "and I am fortunate to have such qualified and enthusiastic individuals directing our efforts."

Dalhouse is executive vice president of the First National Exchange Bank in Roanoke. He is a member of the Governor's Advisory Board for Industrial Development and a member of the Genral Assembly's Industrial Facilities financing committee. He is also on the Mayor's Task Force for Housing for the City of Roanoke.

Shircliff is group vice president and general manager for the Virginia Beverage Operation of General Cinema Corporation. He is immediate past President of the Virginia Soft Drink Association, and a member of the board of Directors of the Bank of Virginia.

Henderson is manager of Prsonnel Relations for Westinghouse in Satunton. He has been active in the Staunton-Augusta Chamber of Commerce, and is Chairman of the Chamber's Governmental Affairs committee.

Backels is president of Dabney S. Lancaster Community College in Clifton Forge, where he is also on the Board of the Salvation Army. He received his doctorate in education from Florida State University in 1968, and also has a Masters of Business Administration degree from the University of Washington.

THE ROANOKE TIMES, Tuesday, February 11, 1975

Lawyers To Hear Butler

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, a member of the House Judiciary Committee when it voted articles of impeachment against former President Nixon last summer, will talk about impeachment in a speech today to the Roanoke Bar Association.

In one of several appearances this week in the district, the Roanoke Republican will address fellow lawyers at a 12:30 p.m. luncheon meeting on "A Lawyer's Observations on Impeachment." At 4 p.m. Butler will speak at Washington and Lee University in Lexington in an appearance sponsored by the Tucker Law Forum.

Butler will be back in Roanoke at 8 p.m. for a meeting with the Roanoke Reserve Officers Association.

Wednesday, Butler will be at Natural Bridge for an economic conference, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Natural Bridge Hotel.

Butler also announced applications for summer intern work in his office are available in his district and Washington offices. Two district college students will be selected to work in the Washington office. The deadline for applications is March 12.

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Staunton, Va., Leader, Tuesday, Feb. 11, 1975 13

Highland visit slated Feb. 19

WASHINGTON—6th District monthly meetings Rep. Butler holds in the district. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Highland County Courthouse in Monterey on Feb. 19 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. to meet with residents wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government. The meeting in Highland County is one of the 10

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Staunton, Va., Leader, Tuesday, Feb. 11, 1975 21

TO BE IN CITY HALL

A representative of U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be in Staunton City Hall in Council Chambers from 9 a.m.-noon Thursday to meet with constituents.

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PAGE 10 THE RECORDER, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1975

Butler Meets in Highland, Bath

WASHINGTON, D. C. - 6th District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Bath County Courthouse in Warm Springs on Wednesday, Feb. 19 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and in the Highland County courthouse in Monterey from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the Federal Government. His representative will return to Bath and Highland county on the third Wednesday of each month.

These meetings are in addition to the regular Open Door Meetings which Rep. Butler holds himself from time to time on a non-scheduled basis.

The Congressman had earlier announced the meeting to complement the three district offices as part of his plan to have the Congressman and the constituent in close contact.

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ers and correspondence dealing with the case, in addition to knowing their Veterans Claim and Social Security numbers.

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COVINGTON VIRGINIAN, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1975

Representative Of Butler Due In Area Feb. 19

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Covington City Hall Feb. 19 from 8:30 a.m. until 10 a.m. to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government. The meeting in Covington is one of the ten monthly meetings Rep. Butler holds in the district. He will be in Bath County Feb. 19 from 11

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Butler Seeks

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Applicants

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THE NEWS, Lynchburg, Va., Wed., Feb. 12, 1975

Butler Seeking Summer Interns

Applications for the 1975 Summer Intern Program are now available in the Lynchburg office of Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler, located in the main post office building.

Two college students, who are residents of Virginia's Sixth District, will be selected as interns to work separate one-month sessions in Washington this summer.

The two one-month sessions will begin June 9 and July 14 respectively. Each intern will be paid \$500, a salary established by the U.S. House of Representatives and each will be responsible for all his expenses.

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Butler sends ³⁴ representative for meet here

Sixth District

Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Clifton Forge City Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2-4 p.m. to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government. The meeting in Clifton Forge is one of the ten monthly meetings Rep. Butler holds in the district.

His representative will return to Clifton Forge on the third Tuesday of each month.

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Amherst New Era Government Students

Will Visit Capitol

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Government students at Amherst County High School will visit Washington D.C. Thursday, February 20, as guests of Congressman M. Caldwell Butler.

The students, who will be chaperoned by several faculty members, will visit the Supreme Court, the Capitol, the Library of Congress, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation Building.

Businessmen discuss dwindling confidence

By CHESTER GOOLRICK III
Leader Staff Writer

NATURAL BRIDGE — Dwindling confidence in governmental economic policies was the major topic of discussion as more than 200 6th District businessmen and industrialists met here today to discuss the state of the economy.

The conference, called by U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, and arranged by area Chambers of Commerce, is scheduled to last most of the day. The conference is expected to deal with a variety of economic problems now facing business and industry throughout the district.

In his opening remarks, Rep. Butler said the purpose of the conference is to "take the pulse of the economy of the 6th District.

"We propose to give you an opportunity to sit down with people in your geographic area and discuss the situation," he continued. "Then you can give us an idea of what is going on in each area."

Rep. Butler warned that he was "not interested in broad generalizations.

"I want to know specifics and details of what is involved in the economic situation of our area," he said.

Meeting together after Rep. Butler's remarks, those in attendance from Augusta, Rockbridge and Highland counties, Staunton, Lexington and Waynesboro sharply criticized "governmental indecisiveness" in economic areas and were especially critical of environmental protection regulations.

Most agreed that wage and price con-

trols would have a damaging effect on industries, as would any increase in gasoline prices.

"If we put wage and price controls on again, it will really be disastrous," a Natural Bridge business man said. "Our country was founded on the profit motive and we need to return to that principle."

Typical of the criticism leveled at environmentalists were the remarks made by a General Electric official from Waynesboro: "The administration of OSHA, EPA, and Equal Employment regulations has become quite a burden to us. These expenses are eventually passed on to the consumer."

An auto salesman from Lexington agreed: "One in seven industry workers are in car related fields. These EPA requirements are a real hardship and they are driving up the price of cars."

A great deal of opposition was expressed to any form of rise in gasoline prices.

"If the President goes through with the tariff," an Augusta industrialist said, "it will affect all areas of business, not just travel."

But a large part of the criticism was directed at governmental indecisiveness. "I look at what they're doing up in Washington, and I see a three-ring circus," a Natural Bridge merchant said.

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Butler Aide To Visit Area

The representative of 6th District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler will be in the Lexington City Hall on Tuesday from 11 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government.

The Butler aide will be in Buena Vista City Hall from 9 to 10:30 a.m. the same day.

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Butler Aide In Lexington

6th District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Lexington City Hall on Tuesday, February 18 from 11:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government. The meeting in Lexington is one of the ten monthly meetings Rep. Butler holds in the district.

His representative will return to Lexington on the third Tuesday of each month.

District Leaders Worried Over Economic Problems

More than 200 regional business, industry and government leaders called for a relaxation of federal environmental regulations to ease a troubled economy last Wednesday, February 12, when they met with Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler at Natural Bridge.

Congressman Butler called the district meeting to

gather information about the economy and accept recommendations from the area leaders on how best to solve the problems facing the sixth district.

Although many of the those attending the meeting expressed optimism about the economy, the majority were pessimistic about the current situation.

Approximately 15 delegates from Buena Vista attended the meeting. Although they stressed the steps being taken to improve the economic picture in the city, a final report released Wednesday afternoon showed Buena Vista to be leading the district in unemployment and economic problems.

In a report prepared by Lovitt Henderson, personnel manager at Westinghouse in Staunton, Buena Vista was listed as the leader in unemployment. The report

came after the morning sessions in which representatives from the Shenandoah Valley discussed the economic situation.

According to the report, Buena Vista had an unemployment rate of approximately 20 per cent. However, Virginia Employment Commission local director, Claude Lynn, said this week that the rate was 13.9 per cent (See related story.)

This was the first time the 20 per cent figure has been used publically, although Lynn said several weeks ago that approximately 3,000 claims for unemployment insurance benefits had been made at the local office. This figure represents approximately one-quarter of the total Rockbridge County labor force, making claims.

Although there was some discussion at the Wednesday afternoon session that the 20 per cent figure was too high, those attending the meeting agreed Buena Vista was faced with a problem situation.

In his report to Butler, Henderson also pointed out that because most of the industries in the Shenandoah Valley were dependent on construction, "unless there is a drastic turn in construction, things are going to get worse."

Henderson's report, which also included the areas of Staunton, Waynesboro and Augusta, Bath and Highland Counties, said that "it may be six months before we see any relief."

The report called for relaxation of federal regulations on environmental control, as did those reports from other areas in the district, and opposed any form of gasoline rationing.

In other recommendations contained in the report, the Shenandoah Valley delegation called for:

- holding the line on federal salaries;
- improving the welfare system to eliminate unfair practices and abuses;
- elimination of all wage and price controls;
- cutbacks in federal aid to foreign countries and the CIA budget;
- increased investment tax credits for industries;
- immediate action by Congress to "get on with the business of the country."

The recommendations made by the Shenandoah Valley group echoed those made by other delegations. The community leaders present were especially concerned with environmental regulations which they termed "unfair and unclear." A representative from Westvaco in Covington said that 50 per cent of the funds used for capital investment by the lumber company went for environmental protection regulations. "This doesn't increase jobs or productivity," he said.

The representatives also opposed gas rationing which they termed unfair to consumers, especially students who must travel to and from school each day.

At the conclusion of the approximately seven-hour conference, Butler told the representatives that he would consider the recommendations when voting on federal legislation.

Butler said he could see a "common thread" in the reports from the group, especially dealing with inflation and unemployment.

"We need Congressional action," said Butler. "I hope that Congress will come back from the recess with the idea that it is time to do something."



Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler takes notes as Lovitt Henderson of Staunton discusses the report submitted by representatives of the Shenandoah Valley delegation at the economic conference called last week by Butler at Natural Bridge.