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HILL CITY CAMPAIGN

Butler Claims Opponent Creates 'Credibility Gap'

By JAYNE QUINN
News Staff Writer

M. Caldwell Butler, Republican candidate for Congress from the Sixth District, Tuesday spent a full day campaigning in Lynchburg. Beginning with a breakfast at the Stewart Arms, the Republican candidate concluded his day in the Hill City with a tour of the offices at Babcock and Wilcox.

Speaking before a luncheon gathering of Lynchburg businessmen at the James River Club, Butler accused his Democratic opponent of creating a "credibility gap" in his campaign for Congress.

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Butler Feted At Picnic

A large crowd turned out Friday for the "Farm Families for Butler Day" on the McCormick Farm at Steeles Tavern.

An estimated one hundred families and other guests were present to hear Sixth District congressional candidate M. Caldwell Butler, two United States Congressmen and the Undersecretary of Agriculture.

Mr. Butler admitted that he knew very little about farming but stated that he was willing to learn about the

problems of the farmers so that he can represent them properly if and when he goes to Washington.

Mr. Butler, a Roanoke lawyer, and U. S. Reps. J. Kenneth Robinson and William C. Wampler and Undersecretary of Agriculture J. Phil Campbell spoke at the gathering held at the VPI experiment station.

The event had been planned by David R. Beyeler, chairman of 6th District "Farm Families for Butler," at the request of Mr. Butler.

Band music was provided during the day and barbecued chicken with all the trimmings was served at noon.

Mr. Butler, introduced by Del. A. R. Giesen Jr. of Staunton, said he wanted people to know his name and to know that he wanted to represent them in Congress. He said he would set up offices throughout the district if elected so that he could keep in contact with his constituents.

Mr. Campbell told the crowd it didn't take long for

him to tell that Mr. Butler was a good man for the congressional post.

"We've got to have a GOP majority in Congress to help the good President we have," he continued. He warned against over confidence in the Nov. 7 election and urged fellow Republicans to get out and work for their candidates.

Mr. Campbell cited what he called the importance of international farm trade with other countries such as

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Russia. He also pointed out that the average amount farmers now have to spend on their families over and above their net farm operating costs has risen from \$4,000 to \$6,000 annually in the past four years.

"Farm products are still under the capitalistic free enterprise system and not subject to continued increases like industrial wages. When prices are up the farmers have to benefit in order not to go bankrupt when they are down," he explained.

Speaking of Secretary of Agriculture Butz, he joked: "We have got to re-elect our President or we will lose our Butz and we don't want to lose our Butz."

He expressed disgust with the attempt by some people to place a secondary boycott on the sale of lettuce.

In concluding, he predicted that the South would go 100 per cent Republican in November, just as it once was solid Democrat.

Mr. Wampler told the people they will have the opportunity to stand up and be counted on Nov. 7. He urged them to think seriously about the issues of today which may affect this country for the remainder of the 20th century.

He extended a special welcome to those whom he called good Jeffersonian Democrats to join the GOP party since their party has left them.

He said he had high praise for the young people of this country and strong faith in the future of the nation.

U. S. Rep. Robinson first informed the group that he had lost a good area when Augusta County went with the 6th Congressional District. "But your next congressman, Caldwell Butler, will soon make you forget me," he added.

He praised Mr. Butler for leading the fight in Virginia in establishing a two-party system. "He helped put the party on the map in Richmond and it stays there today with his trademark."

U. S. Rep. Robinson said he would like to see a Congress that is more responsive to President Nixon's platform. "We want to get back to the place where we don't have to spend more than we take in," he added.

Representative Robinson said "while there have been some encouraging trends in the agricultural economy, farmers still are largely dependent on success of the overall anti-inflation effort for a long-term favorable income prospect."

"Being at the mercy of market uncertainties—and

the fickleness of Nature—for his gross income, the farmer must hope for stabilization of his operating costs if he is to improve his net income position," Mr. Robinson noted.

In speaking of farm earnings, Mr. Robinson said that "the disposable income of farmers still is not what it should be, averaging only 80 percent of the average for nonfarm residents, but even that is higher than it ever has been in the past."

"The increased efficiency of farm families has contributed to this improvement in their spendable income situation," he said, "as well as the greater planting flexibility encouraged by the Agriculture Act of 1970, and the progress which has been registered in reducing the inflationary momentum in the economy as a whole."

Clarence Tardy of Lexington, who heads the state committee of "Farm Families to Elect the President," pointed out that no national candidate can win an election without support of farmers. "Twenty per cent of our population is directly responsible to agriculture," he continued.

He cited some accomplishments that have come about under President Nixon's administration. He also noted that a lot of legislation has become bogged down because of a Democratic controlled Congress.

Lexington
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Anderson Asked^{WN} How He Will Vote

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YOUNG GOP LEADERS are fascinated with the intricate workings of a Republican "piggy bank." Richard Canterbury of Salem (center), Sixth District representative on the State Young Republican Federation, was in

Staunton last night to help organize an area Young Republican Club. He is flanked by newly-elected co-chairmen Jeanie Dean of Stuarts Draft and John Carlon of Staunton. (N-V Photo by York)

Area Young Republican Club Is Organized; Aims Outlined

By N-V Staff Writer

STAUNTON — Seeking a more active role in the politics of this major election year, a group of young people from Waynesboro, Staunton, and Augusta County met here last night to organize an area Young Republican Club.

They laid preliminary plans for a program of activity that encompasses three goals: 1.) an increase in club membership; 2.) voter registration drives, with emphasis on the newly-franchised young people aged 18-

21; and 3.) fund-raising for both political and social functions.

Elected temporary co-chairmen of the embryonic organization were John Carlon of Staunton, who has headed an organizational steering committee, and Miss Jeanie Dean of Stuarts Draft, representing Augusta County.

Other temporary officers who will serve until the group gets its charter are two vice chairmen from each of the three political subdivisions represented, a

secretary, treasurer, and coordinating representative of the Mary Baldwin College Young Republican Club.

Bob Kirby and Pam Moore were elected vice chairmen from Waynesboro; Vickie Cash and Gary Campbell, from Augusta County; and Bo Grover and Edward Williams, from Staunton.

Mrs. Alice Campbell of Augusta County was elected secretary and Betty Gillette of Waynesboro was elected treasurer. Carole Russell of St. Petersburg, Fla., president of the Mary Baldwin Young Republican Club, will represent her campus group on the executive committee of the new area-wide organization.

The election of officers was conducted by Richard Canterbury, Salem attorney who is Sixth Congressional District representative on the Virginia Young Republican Federation.

The state federation, Mr. Canterbury said, is trying to involve itself as much as possible with the local Young Republican Clubs in Virginia. Describing the federation as "a pretty vibrant group," he pledged its assistance in getting this area club organized and functioning.

Membership in the new club is

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open to anyone between the ages of 18 and 35 who is interested in an active role in politics. It has the blessing of and was organized with assistance from the Republican committees of Waynesboro, Staunton, and Augusta County.

The 25 or so who turned out for last night's organizational meeting at the Staunton GOP campaign headquarters were mostly teenagers, but the group included several in their twenties and early thirties. They voiced the hope that last night's turnout will provide impetus for the development of a broad base of active participation in politics among the area's young adults.

Club activities will include social functions, as well as political activity, declared Co-chairman Carlon.

Following his election, he appointed Bob Landes of Augusta County chairman of a committee to draft a charter for the club. Others named to this committee are Beth Sheaffer of Waynesboro, Jeanie Dean of Augusta County, and Beth Schulhof of Mary Baldwin College.

In addition to her duties as club treasurer, Miss Gillette will serve as chairman of a committee to head fund-raising projects. Her committee will include Pam Moore of Waynesboro and Gary Campbell of Augusta County.

Initial projects of the club will be the sponsorship of youth-oriented radio programs Friday night and Saturday originating from the Staunton GOP campaign headquarters.

These programs will be aimed at the prospective new voter, who will be urged to register during Staunton's special youth registration day this Saturday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Waynesboro has already scheduled special youth registration days.

In a brief talk to the group, Legislative candidate J. Marshall Coleman said that, "Young people all over the country are realizing that politics has meaning for them." The desire among young people here for a more active role in politics is a reflection of a new national awareness, he said.

Mr. Coleman, who noted that he is still young enough to qualify for membership in the club, cautioned its leaders against the danger of getting bogged down with organizational details which, he said, could "spoil the fun of political activity."

The unopposed candidate for election to the House of Delegates told his young listeners that politics is "a very simple matter of people-to-people contact." He said the young GOP organization could be a "very powerful force," and asked its help increasing the lists of registered voters. "You are playing an interesting role in practical politics," he said.

Also present with words of encouragement was Del. Arthur R. Giesen Jr. of Staunton. Attendance also included Mrs. Ronald O. Browne of Staunton, serving as club adviser, along with several other representatives of the Staunton and Augusta County Republican Committees. No date was set for the next meeting, which will be held at the call of the chairman.

Poff Assumes Bench Post

RICHMOND (AP)—The Virginia Supreme Court convened today for its three-day short session, with the swearing in of its newest justice.

Chief Justice Harold F. Snead administered the oath to former Rep. Richard H. Poff, 48, in a 12:30 p.m. ceremony. Poff recently resigned from Congress after 20 years in the House as the 6th District representative.

Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. of Richmond, appointed to the U. S. Supreme Court by President Nixon, introduced Poff to the Virginia appeals court.

Gov. Linwood Holton appointed Poff to the Virginia court to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Thomas C. Gordon Jr. of Richmond. Gordon has returned to the private practice of law.

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Butler Raps Anderson For No Endorsement

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Candidate criticizes McGovern

NORFOLK (AP)—Rep. William L. Scott, the Republican who opposes Democratic Sen. William B. Spong Jr.'s re-election bid, spent most of Tuesday criticizing not Spong but George S. McGovern.

The Fairfax congressman, campaigning in the Tidewater area, cautioned GOP supporters against complacency.

Scott said the supporters of McGovern, the Democratic presidential nominee, "are radical, but they are workers."

He cried out against what he called "a radical element" that took over the Democratic party in Miami Beach. And Scott said the "extreme left has taken over the Democratic party at the state level."

After speaking to a civic club at noon Scott attended a reception in his honor in Republican campaign headquarters here.

He admitted that "Norfolk is not Republican territory," but said he anticipates "no particular difficulty" in getting votes in the area.

He urged reception guests to get out and "sell me to your friends."

The biggest problem facing President Nixon's re-election bid, Scott said, is the organizing ability of the McGovern forces. He told the civic club luncheon audience that "the radical element can have more influence than its numbers warrant."

Scott said Nixon's program for the "peacetime American economy is beginning to hum," and is moving toward Nixon's goal of "a new prosperity without war and without inflation."

He criticized the McGovern platform as a "platform of excesses" adopted by the Democrats. Among the "excesses" Scott singled out were defense cuts, unilateral troop withdrawal from Vietnam, amnesty for draft dodgers and "legalizing marijuana."

Today Scott campaigns in Virginia Beach and on Thursday he will be in Chesapeake, Portsmouth, Suffolk and Franklin.

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Members Of Caldwell Butler Campaign Staff Announced

Completion of the Butler For Congress staff has been announced by Jay Langhammer, the campaign chairman.

Named to posts were:

John Kindt, campaign manager--Kindt, who will have charge of the over-all office operations, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren F. Kindt of Waynesboro. His mother is the chairman of the Republican party there. Kindt, 22, is a graduate of the College of William and Mary.

Kenneth Lussen, of Roanoke County, campaign coordinator--Lussen is the former GOP Chairman of Roanoke County and has served as coordinator in other state and local campaigns. He is a business consultant in Roanoke.

\$750,000 Damage Suit Filed...

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the Botetourt County Court House for the purpose of inspecting the heating system, including the gas burner conversion equipment installed...because of difficulties experiences with the heating system after conversion" and that if he had "performed his inspection duties in a reasonable and careful manner, he would have discovered the defect in the system which ultimately resulted" in the fire.

The position is taken by the supervisors that the manufacturing company, by inspecting and approving the system through its agent, "impliedly warranted... that the conversion...had been accomplished in a safe and workmanlike manner and that the system was safe" when it "was not safe, as the subsequent fire demonstrated...."

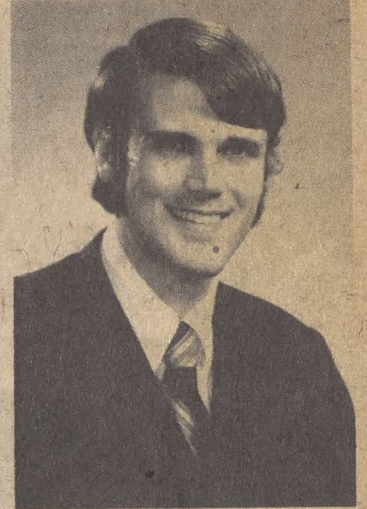
It also is claimed that the manufacturer was negligent in the design, manufacture and assembly of the equipment and "negligently failed to examine, inspect, and test" the equipment. The suit describes the equipment as unmerchantable, unfit, unsafe, and improper.

Richard P. Cullen, of Staunton, press coordinator--Cullen, a graduate of Furman University, will be liason between the campaign and the news media of the district.

Mrs. Mary Peery, executive campaign secretary--Mrs. Peery is the president of the Roanoke County's



Kenneth Lussen



John Kindt



Mary Peery



Marilyn Lussen



Richard Cullen

Area political leaders organize 'Independent Voting Virginians' discouraged with McGovern

Area political leaders, discouraged with the "extreme and radical principals" of Sen. George McGovern, the Democratic presidential candidate, today met at the Hotel Williamson here to organize the Independent Voting Virginians.

"We are interested in giving a home to those people

who want to vote for the man, whether he is Democrat or Republican," Cletus H. Lawler Sr., Clifton Forge furniture executive and State Coordinating Manager for the group, said.

Also named State Coordinating Manager for the group is Col. Richard F. Beirne III, publisher of the Covington Virginian.

Covington native

Beirne, a native of Covington and a graduate of Clifton Forge High School, has been active in state and local politics for a number of years.

He was a candidate for the Virginia House of Delegates last November, but withdrew in favor of Del. Dudley J. Emick, Fincastle attorney.

Lawler, a native of Page County, was co-chairman with Beirne during the campaign of Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr. Presently he is serving on the Botetourt County Democratic Executive Committee.

The lobby of Hotel Williamson will be headquarters for "Independent Voting Virginians" until the Nov. 7 election, with literature available for all candidates "except McGovern," it was stated by Lawler.

There were more than 30 persons attending the organi-

zation meeting held this morning, and in answer to a youth who asked why no McGovern literature would be available, Lawler said it could be secured at regular Democratic Party headquarters.

First organization

Calling the Independent Voting Virginians the first organization of its kind in Virginia, Lawler said "we have no political home; we



CLETUS H. LAWLER SR.



RICHARD F. BEIRNE III

can't go along with the present Democratic Party leadership in Virginia."

He said disaffection was created by the takeover of the regular Democratic Party by irresponsible elements attending the state party convention in Roanoke. Lawler was a delegate to that convention.

The Rev. Robert Hunt, of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, gave an invocation at the organizational meeting this morning in Hotel Williamson in which he asked that "we be saved from discord and confusion."

Beirne declared

Beirne, a lifelong Democrat who is a former member of the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, declared that there are many in the party who are looking for a "haven, a refuge," from the discord and confusion in the regular Democratic Party.

"That's why we have formed
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Leaders

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ed 'Independent Voting Virginians'," he added.

Lawler stated that "we can't, in all good faith, support McGovern for president. We don't believe in his philosophy that all money is made in Washington."

He added that Democrats, Republicans and independents are welcome to participate in the "Independent Voting Virginians" organization.

There were a number of active Republicans attending the organizational meeting, and they said they were happy to see the support for reelection of Republican Nixon.

Others

Others on the committee are: Morris Hudson, Covington banker, State Treasurer and Finance Chairman; Mrs. William P. Gilmer, Co-Chairman, Clifton Forge; Cecil G. May, Co-Chairman, Clifton Forge; Mrs. T. O. Deitz, Co-Chairman, Covington; and George Honts, Co-Chairman, Botetourt County.



ATTEND MEETING—Mrs. T. O. Deitz, Covington Co-Chairman Independent Voting Virginians, discusses the upcoming election with Raymond Haymaker, Chairman, Alleghany County Republican Party. The pair were at a meeting this morning of the Independent Voting Virginians held at the Hotel Williamson to make plans for the coming election.
(Review Staff Photo)

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Republican criticizes foe on election stand

The Republican candidate for Congress from the Sixth District said that his Democratic opponent has created a "credibility gap" by first saying he would not support Sen. George McGovern when he received the Demo nomination.

M. Caldwell Butler, the Republican, made the credibility charge against Willis M. (Wick) Anderson during a Tuesday luncheon gathering at the James River Club that was part of a daylong campaign in Lynchburg.

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Anderson Dismisses Question Put to Him by GOP Opponent

Democratic candidate Willis M. Anderson brushed off the suggestion by Republican rival Caldwell Butler that he say whether or not he is going to vote for presidential candidate George McGovern and countered with a charge that Butler is ignoring the real issues facing voters in the 6th Congressional District.

"In a statement issued July 26, I said that I was unable to endorse the candidacy of Sen. McGovern because I could not support major parts of his program and because of our

differences on other matters of national concern," Anderson wrote Butler, adding:

"My position today is the same."

Butler wrote Anderson Monday, saying there is a lot of

confusion over whether Anderson is going to vote for President Nixon instead of McGovern despite his July 26 statement and claimed that until this is clarified they cannot have a "meaningful campaign."

Anderson saw it differently.

"Throughout the summer, my associates and I have followed your activities in all the newspapers published in the 6th District, Anderson informed Butler, adding:

"We note your support of the right-to-work act—a matter as to which both our positions have been known for years. With this single exception, we have been unable to find that you have taken a stand on a single substantive issue in more than three months. I suggest that the time has now arrived for you to begin. Then we could be assured of a 'meaningful campaign'."

Anderson observed that in the past few weeks he has talked about the welfare crisis and proposed reforms, advo-

cated ending multibillion dollar deficits every year in order to curb inflation, opposed an increase in federal taxes and promised to give immediate attention to the financial plight of the railroad retirement system.

Will He Be A Victim?

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Senator William B. Spong, Jr., could be a victim of the tide of defections from the Virginia Democratic Party and the near-certainty that President Nixon will get this state's twelve electoral votes. If so, that would be a shame. Among the freshman senators up for reelection this November, Mr. Spong surely ranks among the two or three most intelligent, dedicated and respected by his colleagues. He stands high among the distinguished men the Old Dominion has sent to the Senate in this century.

The swing of so many influential Virginia Democrats, independents and others to the forces working for reelection of the President has caught Mr. Spong in an uncomfortable position. He has been a Democrat all his political life, was elected to the Senate as a Democrat and declares his intention of remaining a Democrat. But obviously he shares the widespread lack of enthusiasm for the McGovern-Shriver ticket and its ideology, which does not make him any less a good Democrat. So he has chosen a course which may make him vulnerable to attack from both flanks. He declares he is running as a Democrat but independent of any other campaign. It is difficult to see how he could have chosen any other position in good conscience. So it is the hope in this corner that the stampede of Virginia conservatives and moderates to join the Nixon cause, which could defeat many good Democratic candidates,

will make an exception of Senator Spong.

It is the conviction here that President Nixon should be given another four years to carry forward his work for world peace and a sounder economy at home. Mr. Nixon is not likely to become a popular President, but his achievements compel respect and confidence that given four more years in power he will leave the world a safer, better place than he found it in 1969. It is admitted that his efforts, especially in foreign relations, would be bolstered by a majority of his party in Congress, especially in the Senate, which must give advice and consent in our dealings with other peoples. Even a Nixon landslide probably will not be enough to bring in a Republican House of Representatives, but the Senate is a different story, and there the GOP strategists will concentrate much of their attack. The present Democratic edge is 55 to 45 and a shift of six would give the President his majority.

Four southern Democratic Senate seats are marked for special attention. Here in Virginia the Republicans have an attractive candidate in Congressman William L. Scott. This will be a close race but we believe there is enough of the moderate element left in the Democratic Party to send Mr. Spong back to Washington, where he has followed a straight course of moderation and responsibility. Let the Republicans gather in those three other Southern Senate seats but leave Mr. Spong untouched by the Nixon coattails.

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Candidate visits in area

Campaigning in western Augusta County Monday was Willis M. Anderson, (center), Democratic candidate for the House of Representatives from the 6th Congressional District. With Mr. Anderson are John Booth, chairman of the North River District Democrats, and John A. Mohler.

Staunton
8/29/72

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Spong Stresses Need For Local Initiative

PORTSMOUTH (AP)—Sen. William B. Spong Jr., D-Va., stressed Sunday the importance of local initiative to resolve local problems and said the federal government should play only a supporting role.

Spong's remarks were prepared for dedication ceremonies for a new wing of the Portsmouth General Hospital.

"Recent years have demonstrated directly and dramatically that government cannot do it all—that it cannot solve all our problems," Spong said. He added:

"Our faith in our nation, our faith in the future, should be based on a faith in ourselves, on a knowledge that we as individuals working together are able to do those things which make our own lives worth living and which make the world a better place for all to live."

Spong said the hospital addition was evidence of what men and women in every locality in every part of the nation are capable of achieving.

"It is evidence that a faith in ourselves, in our ability to reach our goals, is not misplaced," Spong said.

The American people have always been fiercely proud of their independence, or their own ability, to obtain the ends they seek, said Spong. "That pride is as valid today as it has been in the past. It is something that we must use today and build upon for tomorrow."

Labor Day Program Full

Monday is Labor Day and the Glen Maury Park Committee has completed the schedule of events for the holiday celebration at the Park.

At 11 a.m. several political speakers are scheduled, including U. S. Senator William B. Spong Jr., Rockbridge Delegate Charles W. (Bunny) Gunn Jr., congressional candidates Willis Anderson, Caldwell Butler and Roy White. The speeches will be made on the main stage in front of the

Elisha Paxton house.

Kicking off the festivities will be a parade through Buena Vista. Entries in the parade should gather at the intersection of 21st Street and Magnolia Avenue between 9 and 9:30 a.m., said Mrs. Ann Gelinas, park coordinator, so that the parade marshal Tom Dickinson can line up the units.

Those wishing to enter the parade should contact Mr. Dickinson at Dickinson and Cole. Children who are planning to ride in the parade

on their decorated bicycles should also be at the parade site before 9:30 a.m.

Awards will be given in 16 categories in the parade and a prize will also be given to the best decorated bicycle.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. proceeding down Magnolia Avenue to 10th Street turning into Glen Maury Park.

Presentation of awards for parade participation will also be made following the political speeches.

Beginning at noon en-

tertainment will be provided at the main stage beginning on the hour, and at the pavilion behind the playground at the rear of the Paxton house on the half-hour.

The schedule of entertainment is as follows:

Noon: The Stars of Dixie from Roanoke, a majorette and drum corps.

12:30—The Tink-a-poo Crew.

1:00—The Shenandoah Twirlettes from Staunton.

1:30—The Legends.

From 1 to 2 p.m. the Buena Vista Junior Woman's Club will register entries for the baby contest. Babies need not be present to register, said Mrs. Gelinas.

2:00—Les Annettes Majorettes from Buena Vista.

2:30—The Blues Express.

3:00—A model airplane demonstration by the Roanoke Aero-Guidance Society. The group has 40 members and has been in existence for four years. The

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Church Group Hears Scott

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4th District Voters League endorses McGovern, Spong

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

George S. McGovern has picked up the unanimous endorsement of the predominantly black 4th District Voters League in the Democratic nominee's try for the presidency.

The league, meeting Sunday in Petersburg, also endorsed Sen. William B. Spong Jr., D-Va., for re-election, and put its support behind the Democratic nominee for the 4th District congressional seat, Del. Robert E. Gibson of Chesapeake.

Curtis Harris, chairman of the league, predicted that "90 to 95 per cent" of Virginia's 250,000 black registered voters will vote for McGovern in his bid to unseat President Nixon.

Harris said the 75 to 100 representatives of the 17 political subdivisions in the Southside Virginia 4th District were less enthusiastic over Spong and Gibson but decided their only course was to support them.

Spong's recent statement in which he said he would not campaign for McGovern apparently hurt him with the league.

Harris said "There was some discussion" about the statement and indicated it probably "would be a factor" in the support he can expect to draw from black voters in Virginia.

The league chairman, who also is a national director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, said of Spong's statement:

"It was considered in our discussion this evening, but it was the consensus finally that his assets far outweighed his liabilities."

Gibson's endorsement followed some discussion about the possibility of endorsing a write-in candidate instead, Harris said.

"A serious consideration was given to a write-in candidate but the consensus was for the support of Gibson, based on the feeling he was the best of several candidates," the chairman said.

The district contains about 38,000 black registered voters, and a drive is under way to register more. Harris said unregistered but eligible blacks outnumber those registered to vote in the 4th District. He said this probably is true throughout the state.

In Richmond, a black campaign worker said Nixon has more to offer blacks than does McGovern.

Earl Gray, who works with the black voter division of the Virginia Committee to Re-elect the President, said Nixon's record of hiring blacks and other minorities for federal jobs has been impressive.

The campaign worker said under the Nixon administration federal aid to black colleges doubled from \$300 million to more than \$600.

Gray said blacks who support Nixon must tell other blacks of Nixon's minority programs in order to overcome the 88 per cent black vote that went against Nixon in 1968.

The chairman of the 7th District Democratic Committee, John Williams of Charlottesville, announced Sunday the appointment of a district committee to work for McGovern. But Williams said he plans to devote his time to helping Spong win re-election and for the election of Democratic nominee Murat Williams to the 7th District congressional seat held by Republican Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson.

Spong and one of his two opponents, Rep. William L. Scott, R-8th District, sounded the same general note in the same general area Sunday.

Wampler Talks on Benefits

Washington -- The federally funded Social Services Program was added to the Social Security Act in 1962 and provided that states and counties be reimbursed on 75 percent federal matching share for programs to help the poor get off welfare.

Because the statutory definition of eligible services is so broadly worded, states have begun to discover that many programs formerly funded exclusively from state and local sources are eligible for three to one Federal matching.

During the past year, the drive to refinance local and state programs with Federal funds has accelerated at a dizzying pace. In 1964, the Federal share for these programs was \$75 million. In 1968 it had jumped to \$230 million;

in 1970, \$530 million; 1971, \$750 million; and this year to \$2 billion. The estimate for fiscal year 1973 is \$4.8 billion. At this rate, the President's budget for 1973 may be exceeded by \$3.6 billion due to increases for this program alone.

This open-ended program was a part of the Labor-HEW appropriations bill which I voted against, and which the President vetoed earlier this month. Regardless of the validity of expenditures under this program, the attitude of the Congress, both liberal and conservative, is that this is a runaway grant program and some limits have to be placed upon it. This the Administration has attempted to do for the past two years. But opponents of

the ceiling argue that it would be unfair to the low income persons and welfare recipients who benefit from these programs, and that an arbitrary ceiling would have an inequitable effect among the states.

The veto of the popular Labor-HEW appropriations has brought this uncontrollable program into sharp focus. It is apparent that attempts will be made to attach it to other popular legislation, such as general revenue sharing or welfare reform, in an effort to guarantee its continuance.

I think the program should be considered solely on its merits as separate legislation, with careful thought given to guidelines and controls, to prevent the current abuse of its intent.

GOP To Open Headquarters In Roanoke

The Nixon-Scott-Butler campaign headquarters at 117 Church Ave., SW, will be formally opened at 7:30 this evening.

Del. A. R. "Pete" Giesen of Augusta County will preside at the opening.

State Sen. David Thornton of Salem will speak on behalf of the re-election of President Richard Nixon and Vice President Spiro Agnew and Del. Raymond Robrecht of Roanoke County will speak for the election of Rep. Bill Scott for the U.S. Senate.

Caldwell Butler, Republican candidate for election to Congress from the 6th District, also will talk at the opening. The office is his main headquarters for the campaign.

A spokesman said refreshments will be served and youngsters were invited to bring their cameras.

Kostel Heads Group Supporting Anderson

Former Delegate George J. Kostel of Clifton Forge will head a Citizens Committee for the Election of Willis M. Anderson to Congress in the Sixth District. The announcement was made by Anderson headquarters in Roanoke.

The Committee will enlist the support of independents and Republicans as well as Democrats interested in Mr. Anderson's candidacy.

Mr. Kostel is a lawyer and board chairman of the First National Bank of Clifton Forge. He served eight years in the House of Delegates and carried the Sixth District last year in his race for lieutenant governor.

Candidates Will Debate For Ad Club

The three candidates for Congress in the 6th District have agreed to another joint appearance during their campaign, this one Sept. 25 before the Roanoke Advertising Club. Site of the dinner has not been decided.

Democrat Willis M. Anderson, Republican Caldwell Butler and Independent Roy White will be asked to answer questions concerning their views on the regulation of advertising, following formal talks, Club Program Chairman Herbert Weaver said.

The three candidates have a number of joint appearances scheduled in September and October.

Spong Runs Again

U.S. Senator William B. Spong, Jr., of Virginia, will launch his 1972 re-election campaign on the Eastern Shore and in Southwest Virginia.

Senator Spong will appear at 9 a.m. at Chincoteague, where he kicked off his successful 1966 bid for the Senate. He then will fly to Grundy for a Labor Day rally of coal miners. He is expected to arrive at Grundy at 1:15 p.m.

He plans to return to Roanoke in mid-afternoon and drive to Buena Vista for a community picnic and a tour of the area flooded in June by Tropical Storm Agnes. Senator Spong

has spearheaded efforts in Washington to expedite action by the Corps of Engineers in the development of a flood control project for Buena Vista.

Senator Spong said in announcing the formal opening of his campaign that he is seeking re-election on the basis of his voting record and his service to Virginians over the past five and one-half years.

Consistent with the schedule of legislation coming before the Senate, and the date of Congressional adjournment, Senator Spong intends to campaign in every area of the state.

Scott Assails Dem Radicals

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Howell Is Off And Running

YORKTOWN (AP)—Lt. Gov. Henry E. Howell Jr., continuing his political tradition of declaring himself early, has launched his campaign for governor in 1973.

Howell, a Democrat-turned-independent, speaking here Wednesday night, attacked an almost certain opponent, for-

mer Gov. Mills E. Godwin Jr., also a Democrat-turned-independent.

The populist-style lieutenant governor said his early announcement as a candidate was spurred by Godwin's efforts to build up a campaign organization.

He said Godwin is taking a

leadership role in the Virginia Republican campaign to re-elect President Nixon so the former governor can forge a political machine of conservative leaning Virginians of both parties.

He accused Godwin of trying to "revive the Byrd machine." Howell said follow-

ers of the late Sen. Harry F. Byrd Sr. will form the nucleus of "the Godwin machine," but a broader following will be needed to maintain it.

Howell said he still hasn't made up his mind whether to return to the Democratic party or continue along the independent route.

Democratic Dinner *NG*

To Boost Candidates

Democrats in the Sixth Congressional District will gather at Natural Bridge Friday for a dinner honoring Sen. William B. Spong Jr. and Willis M. Anderson.

Senator Spong has launched his campaign for reelection and Mr. Anderson is seeking election to the

House of Representatives from the Sixth District.

Both candidates will speak at the dinner, slated for 6:30 at the Natural Bridge Hotel. The event is sponsored by the Sixth District Democratic Committee.

Tickets for the event are available from the party chairmen in each political subdivision, said John A. Clem of Staunton, chairman, chairman of the district committee, and all persons are welcome.

Del. Dudley Emick of Botetourt County will in-
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Introduce Senator Spong. Introducing Mr. Anderson will be Clifton Woodrum III of Roanoke. Mr. Clem will preside at the event and members of the district committee will be present. All interested persons in the area are asked to obtain tickets from the local party chairmen.

Rockbridge Democratic chairman is Bolivar Huffman. Co-chairmen in Lexington are Joseph Murchison and Thomas Imeson.

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The ceremony is being held on the first day of the court's annual three-day session.

White Accuses Opponent Butler

Roy White, independent Democratic candidate for the 6th District congressional seat, has accused one of his opponents, Republican Caldwell Butler, of "political gimmickry."

White said Butler jumped the gun on him (White) when Butler's campaign organization released a schedule of debates Wednesday.

White said he originated the idea of the debates and that when Butler learned of White's press conference to announce debates, "he beat me to the punch and called his own press conference four hours in advance of mine..."

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Butler Finds Area Farmers Make Hay While Sun Shines

By N-V Staff Writer
STEELES TAVERN — A political candidate learns something new every day. Just ask Caldwell Butler.

Mr. Butler's "lesson" for Friday: if you're holding a rally for farmers, pray for a rainy day, not a sunny one.

The Republican candidate for Congress from the Sixth District had laid plans for a big throng at his "Farm Families for Butler Day" at the Cyrus McCormick Memorial here. It was a perfect day, warm and breezy. But only about 175 people showed up.

"I have now learned," he told the gathering, "that farmers make hay while the sun shines."

Seventh District Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, one in a series of speakers, agreed: "You need a rainy day to get the farmers out."

Despite it all, Mr. Butler said later, "This has been the most productive and rewarding day for me so far in the campaign."

Headlining the guest list was J. Phil Campbell, undersecretary of agriculture, who spoke in shirtsleeves following the chicken barbecue lunch as spectators sat on bales of hay beneath a red and yellow-striped tent.

A Democrat - turned - Republican, Mr. Campbell asserted that today's inflation

has not been caused by farm products, but "principally by labor getting 30 to 40 per cent increases in three or four years without a corresponding increase in productivity."

Nevertheless, he said, "farmers are doing much better than four years ago," with net farm income showing a boost of 50 per cent. He attributed this improved condition largely to President Nixon's "new economics" and his trips abroad.

But he warned, "If we don't let farmers participate in an 'up' market to recoup their losses from a 'down' market, they will go bankrupt."

Urging re-election of the President, Mr. Campbell said, "We shouldn't get overconfident just because the other side is making so many mistakes."

This was the theme also of Ninth District Rep. William Wampler, who suggested "nothing is certain in politics until the ballots have been counted."

Noting that many Democrats feel "their party has left them," he stated, "If there is any similarity between this party (the Democrats) and Jefferson's party, I don't know night from day. We welcome these Democrats with open arms."

Mr. Wampler said farm legislation now pending in Congress is designed "to im-

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UNDER THE BIG TOP, a red and yellow-striped tent, Ninth District Rep. William Wampler addresses Friday's "Farm Families for Butler Day" gathering at Steeles Tavern. Seated on bales of hay in the front

row are (from left) Undersecretary of Labor J. Phil Campbell, Seventh District Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, and Sixth District Republican candidate M. Caldwell Butler.



EATIN' AND CHATTIN' at yesterday's "Farm Families for Butler Day" at Steeles Tavern are Undersecretary of Labor J. Phil Campbell, who tackles a piece of barbecued chicken, and Sixth District Republican candidate M. Caldwell Butler, on whose behalf the outing was arranged.

(N-V Photo by Berlin)

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prove the quality of life in rural America" and added, "government will be no better than you choose to make it."

Mr. Robinson deplored the "continual hamstringing" of agricultural efforts in Congress, declaring, "As farmers we don't have the muscle we used to have. We know better what to do than we are able to do."

As an example, he said the pesticide bill passed in the House "was a good one," but the Senate Commerce Committee "really hashed it up" and "I'm not sure whether we can live with it or not."

Reiterating his sorrow that this area has been shifted from his Seventh District to the Sixth, Mr. Robinson said, "Caldwell Butler will make you forget me pretty quickly." He characterized Mr. Butler as "the man who put the Republican party on the map in the House of Delegates . . . and that body still bears his trademark."

Introduced by Del. A. R. Giesen Jr., Mr. Butler told his guests, "I'm not a farmer, but I want to understand what you want."

Another speaker was Clarence Tardy of Rockbridge County, a Virginia farm leader, who called for support of the Nixon candidacy and introduced Mr. Campbell.

The crowd was welcomed by W. H. McClure, superintendent of the Virginia Tech Research Station here. Entertainment was furnished by a Rockbridge County combo known as "The Junction."

\$50,000

GOP Gift Is Denied

RICHMOND (AP)—The state treasurer of the Committee to Re-elect the President says he has no knowledge of a \$50,000 campaign contribution a high Republican source says has been made by a Virginian.

"There have been several large gifts . . . some of them not solicited but just mailed in," Walter Turnbull of Richmond said Friday. "There have been some in the range of \$3,000 to \$6,000 from a husband and wife, for instance."

Under the new federal campaign contribution and expense regulations, Turnbull said, contributions of "that magnitude" could have been sent directly to the national treasurer in Washington.

Concerning the report from the high Republican source in Virginia, who would not disclose the name of the contributor, Turnbull replied:

"I haven't received any gift in stock or cash in that magnitude."

Meanwhile, the Republican candidate for the U. S. Senate expressed enthusiasm for GOP prospects in the state and nation, defended President Nixon's policies and attacked the record of Democratic Sen. William B. Spong Jr.

In a speech opening his Culpeper headquarters, Rep. William L. Scott said he thought the Republicans at their national convention had adopted an excellent platform and the Nixon-Agnew team would be re-elected in November.

Scott called Democrats and followers of Democratic presidential nominee George McGovern "the party of excesses" and said President Nixon needs a friendly Senate to carry on his program.

"We must not let our foes say this is Nixon's war when he has brought home all but about 40,000 troops of the 550,000 in Vietnam at the time Mr. Nixon became president," said Scott.

The 8th District congressman pointed out "I voted to support Mr. Nixon on his Vietnam policies while my opponent (Spong) voted with McGovern to cut off funds and force a pullout in Vietnam."

Farm Income Said Hinged To Anti-Inflation Program

By N-V Staff Writer
STEELES TAVERN—Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson told Sixth District farm families here today that their long-term income prospects hinge directly on the success of the nation's overall anti-inflation campaign.

This is true, said the Seventh District congressman, despite "some encouraging trends in the agricultural economy."

He spoke to a large gathering of men, women and children attending the "Farm Families for Butler Day" at the Cyrus McCormick Farm here.

Scheduled to address the Republican outing this afternoon was Undersecretary of Agriculture J. Phil Campbell. Other talks were to be made by Ninth District Rep. William Wampler and by M. Caldwell Butler, GOP candidate for the Sixth District seat in Congress.

Among highlights of the day were a chicken barbecue lunch and a program of entertainment.

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uncertainties — and the fickleness of nature — for his gross income, the farmer must hope for stabilization of his operating costs if he is to improve his net income position.

"The disposable income of farmers still is not what it should be, averaging only 80 per cent of the average for non-farm residents, but even that is higher than it ever had been in the past.

"The increased efficiency of farm families has contributed to this improvement in their spendable income situation, as well as the greater planting flexibility encouraged by the Agriculture Act of 1970, and the progress which has been registered in reducing the inflationary momentum in the economy as a whole."

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Shenandoah Valley has been shifted out of his Seventh District, Mr. Robinson endorsed Mr. Butler's candidacy for the Sixth District seat vacated by Rep. Richard Poff, who has been appointed to the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals.

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Opposing Mr. Butler in the November general election are Democrat Willis M. Anderson and Independent Democrat Roy White. All three are from Roanoke.

Poff Takes Oath As Va. Justice

By WAYNE FARRAR
World-News Richmond Bureau

RICHMOND — Former Rep. Richard H. Poff was sworn in at 12:41 p.m. today as a justice of the Virginia Supreme Court.

Poff was introduced to the court by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr. of Richmond.

Ironically, Powell holds the seat for which Poff was once considered the top contender.

Poff withdrew his name from consideration for nomination to the nation's high court in the face of opposition from civil rights groups. He later announced he would not seek re-election to Congress.

Gov. Linwood Holton and Mrs. Holton were on hand for the ceremony. It was Holton who appointed Poff to the state's highest court, subject to election by the General Assembly in early 1973.

Holton's commission of appointment for Poff was read by William M. Tuck, a former Democratic governor and congressman.

The oath was administered by state Chief Justice Harold F. Sneed.

State Sen. James Turk, Radford, a former law partner of Poff, and John Buck, commonwealth's attorney for Radford, presented Poff his judicial robe, as a gift of the Radford - Floyd - Montgomery Bar Association.

Powell hailed Poff as a man who had "served very well indeed over a period of many years."

"It is appropriate that this distinguished son of Virginia should have been appointed," Powell said.

Powell said he had worked closely with Poff on the 25th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution dealing with presidential succession and disability. At the time, Powell was president of the American Bar Association.

Tuck, who had served with Poff on the House Judiciary

Committee, praised him as "one of the great lawyers of that committee" and "a man of integrity and the highest honor."

Sneed declared that Powell's motion to seat Poff was granted and Turk and Buck proceeded to fit him with his first judicial robe.

"Is it long enough?" Sneed asked. Poff indicated that it was.

He then ascended to the bench where he shook hands with each of his new colleagues.

Seated in the courtroom were a number of congressmen, former congressmen, state legislators, judges and other dignitaries.

Poff is believed to be the first Republican to serve on the court in this century. He succeeds Thomas C. Gordon Jr. who resigned May 30.



Richard H. Poff

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Butler Presses Anderson To Specify His Vote Plans

Willis M. Anderson, the Democratic candidate for Congress in the 6th District, was challenged Monday by his Republican opponent to say specifically whether or not he is going to vote for Presidential candidate George McGovern.

"I think it is important if we are to have a meaningful campaign that this question be resolved early," Caldwell Butler, a strong supporter of President Nixon, wrote Anderson.

Butler claimed there is a lot of confusion in voters' minds because after Anderson issued a statement saying that he cannot support McGovern the Democrats' state chairman, Joseph T. Fitzpatrick, observed that "at least he (Anderson) did not say he was going to vote for Nixon."

Butler said from Anderson's original statement he had been under the impression Anderson was going to vote for President Nixon but on re-reading his statements "I confess that I did not find where you have affirmatively stated your intention to vote for

President Nixon."

Meanwhile, Anderson during his day of campaign issued a statement saying he shares the concern of railroad workers in the district over the future of the railroad retirement system.

Anderson, who is general counsel for the Shenandoah Life Insurance Co., said if he is elected the financial condition of the system will get his immediate attention.

He said the system could go broke in 16 years unless something is done and it is obvious the system needs a complete overhaul.

The approaching crisis is the result of an increasing number of older workers reaching retirement age while employment of younger workers who would be paying into the system is declining.

Anderson said as of now he is not ready to endorse all the changes recommended by a Commission on Railroad Retirement but hailed the study as "an essential first step toward protecting the railroad families of America and safeguarding their security."

Amherst GOP opens office

AMHERST—Republican headquarters in Amherst County were formally opened Friday night in a building formerly used as Coleman's Tackroom off Rt. 29 in Monroe.

The new GOP headquarters are located next to Coleman's Store.

Opening the GOP office were members of the Amherst County Republican Committee of which Bernard H. Bryant Jr. is chairman. Others attending included S. Vance Wilkins Jr., a member of the State GOP Central Committee, and Stewart Shaner, Amherst County GOP publicity director.

Robinson Addresses Boost-Butler Rally

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The congressman's remarks were prepared for a farmers rally at the McCormick Farm. The rally was held to boost the 6th District congressional candidacy of M. Caldwell Butler of Roanoke who seeks the seat vacated by Richard H. Poff, Republican, to become a justice of the Virginia Supreme Court.

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a farmer, but he will listen to farmers," Robinson said. "He understands the importance of a healthy agricultural economy, and he will work for further simplification of federal farm programs, and for fair treatment of the diversified agricultural interests of this area."

Robinson expressed regret at losing Augusta County to the 6th District under the most recent congressional redistricting, but commended Butler's candidacy to the assembled farm families.

Butler campaigns for farm vote

STEELES TAVERN — Sixth District congressional candidate M. Caldwell Butler admitted that he knew very little about farming here Friday afternoon but stated that he was willing to learn about the problems of the farmers so that he can represent them properly if and when he goes to Washington.

Mr. Butler, a Roanoke lawyer, and U.S. Reps. J. Kenneth Robinson and William C. Wampler and Undersecretary of Agriculture J. Phil Campbell spoke to about a hundred farm families and other guests at a special "Farm Families for Butler Day" held at the VPI experiment station.

The event had been planned by David R. Beyeler, chairman of 6th District "Farm Families for Butler", at the request of Mr. Butler. Special band music was provided during the day and barbecued chicken with all the trimmings was served at noon.

Mr. Butler, introduced by Del.

A. R. Giesen Jr. of Staunton, said he wanted people to know his name and to know that he wanted to represent them in Congress. He said he would set up offices throughout the district if elected so that he could keep in contact with his constituents.

Mr. Campbell told the crowd it didn't taken long for him to tell that Mr. Butler was a good man for the congressional post.

"We've got to have a GOP majority in Congress to help the good President we have," he continued. He warned against over confidence in the Nov. 7 election and urged fellow Republicans to get out and work for their candidates.

Mr. Campbell cited what he called the importance of international farm trade with other countries such as Russia. He also pointed out that the average amount farmers now have to spend on their families over and above their net farm

operating costs has risen from \$4,000 to \$6,000 annually in the past four years.

"Farm products are still under the capitalistic free enterprise system and not subject to continued increases like industrial wages. When prices are up the farmers have to benefit in order not to go bankrupt when they are down," he explained.

Speaking of Secretary of Agriculture Butz, he joked: "We have got to re-elect our President or we will lose our Butz and we don't want to lose our Butz."

He expressed disgust with the attempt by some people to place a secondary boycott on the sale of lettuce.

In concluding, he predicted that the South would go 100 per cent Republican in November, just as it once was solid Democrat.

Mr. Wampler told the people they will have the opportunity to

stand up and be counted on Nov. 7. He urged them to think seriously about the issues of today which may affect this country for the remainder of the 20th century.

He extended a special welcome to those whom he called good Jeffersonian Democrats to join the GOP party since their party has left them.

He said he had high praise for the young people of this country and strong faith in the future of the nation.

U.S. Rep. Robinson first informed the group that he had lost a good area when Augusta County went with the 6th Congressional District. "But your next congressman, Caldwell Butler, will soon make you forget me," he added.

He praised Mr. Butler for leading the fight in Virginia in establishing a two-party system. "He helped put the party on the

map in Richmond and it stays there today with his trademark."

U.S. Rep. Robinson said he would like to see a Congress that is more responsive to President Nixon's platform. "We want to get back to the place where we don't have to spend more than we take in," he added.

Clarence Tardy of Lexington, who heads the state committee of "Farm Families to Elect the President", pointed out that no national candidate can win an election without support of farmers. "Twenty per cent of our population is directly responsible to agriculture," he continued.

He cited some accomplishments that have come about under President Nixon's administration. He also noted that a lot of legislation has become bogged down because of a Democratic controlled Congress.

Butler Debate Schedule Gimmicky, White Says

Debate on the very subject of debates by candidates in the three-way race 6th District congressional race opened again Thursday with Roy White accusing Republican M. Caldwell Butler of "political gimmickry."

White, a history professor who is running as an independent Democrat, charged in a statement that the "gimmickry" occurred Wednesday when Butler's campaign organization released a schedule of debate dates for the three candidates.

White, charging that he originated the idea of the joint appearances in the first place, said the statement from Butler's organization inferred that his (Butler's) campaign staff had made arrangements for debates in the district and this "is just not consistent with the facts."

"Among all the other political gimmickry Mr. Butler has practiced so far in this campaign," White said, "this piece is the most inexcusable."

(A paragraph in the news release by the Caldwell Butler for Congress Committee said: "In response to Mr. Butler's challenge of July 20, and acceptance by our opponents, we are now in a position to assure the citizens of the 6th District that there will be public debate in all parts of the district.")

White said he originated the idea of the debates and "Mr. Butler learned of my press conference called for this purpose and in ploy to beat me to the punch called his own press

conference four hours in advance of mine . . ."

White, who enclosed several letters discussing the debate which passed between cam-

paign people for himself, Butler and Democrat Willis M. Anderson, claimed there was "protracted debate over the rules" for the debates.

White said he agreed to any rules which were acceptable to the other two candidates "in the hope that with the negotiating parties reduced to two, an agreement would be easier to reach . . . This hope was in vain."

White claimed Butler's "representatives had trouble keeping appointments. His staff sent me information that was flatly denied Mr. Anderson's staff."

White charged rules Butler proposed "were stultifying in concept and practice. And in any case, the arguments made by both sides were futile, since invitations have invaria-

bly included formats and rules proposed by the host."

White said that while this was going on, "Mr. Butler neglected, or refused, to make formal acceptance" of invitations from radio and television stations—"invitations Mr. Anderson and I accepted five weeks ago."

White said the Republican announcement of the debates "gives the lie" to a statement he made earlier in the month critical of the way arrangements for the joint appearances were going "and requires that this candidate be called to account for the information he is giving the people of the 6th District."

White said his latest statement on the debates was a "reluctant departure" from

what he considers the "important subjects" in the campaign.

White also was critical of Butler and Anderson on the "safe" positions they had taken earlier on the state's right-to-work law and he accused Butler of not addressing himself to the issues.

White commended Anderson for taking a position on welfare reform and said it "is not my purpose to vilify" either of his opponents. He said he would talk about the issues, urged his opponents to do the same thing and pledged himself "to desist from insulting the people of the 6th District by avoiding the issues and seeking to make up the difference by just 'getting your name in the paper'."

Getting It Right

(In an effort to keep the record straight, The Roanoke Times lists errors which occur in its news columns.)

M. Caldwell Butler, the Republican candidate for the 6th District's seat in Congress, has accepted an invitation to a debate on WFIR radio on Oct. 30.

Butler's campaign headquarters said Thursday the incorrect date of Sept. 8 was in a campaign news release earlier this week.

Republicans Take Campaign Posts

RICHMOND—Billy W. Frazier, a member of the Scott County Board of Supervisors and chairman of the 9th District Republican Committee, has been named chairman of the district's section of the Virginia Committee for the Re-election of the President.

Three other 9th District Republicans were named to aid Frazier.

They are U. W. Bowen, Duffield; Gerry Atkinson, Pulas-ki, and Sam W. Bishop, Taze-well.

Scott Picks Obenshain To Head Campaign Effort

RICHMOND — William L. Scott, Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate, has named State GOP Chairman Richard D. Obenshain of Richmond to be his campaign chairman.

The announcement, made on a hold-for-release basis while Scott was attending last Wednesday's closing session of the Republican National convention in Miami Beach, predicted many Democrats will be working for him by election day on Nov. 7.

Scott said his principal opponent, Democrat incumbent William B. Spong Jr., currently is ahead because his name is known statewide, but said this will change as the people begin hearing more and more about Spong's voting record in the next two months.

He charged that Spong has

"cancelled out" votes cast by Virginia's conservative and independent U.S. Sen. Harry Byrd Jr. on 350 legislative issues. He said Spong also had voted to override every presidential veto since President Nixon took office, although the vetoes were to cut spending so as to curb inflation.

"Six years ago, George Rawlings (liberal Democratic national committeeman from Fredericksburg) was the giant killer because he defeated Rep. Howard W. Smith (a conservative Democrat) for renomination to the 8th District congressional seat," Scott contended.

"I was unknown outside of Fairfax County then . . .

"We needed disenchanted Democrats and with them we won the seat in Congress and it is going to be like that again this year because my views are more in accord with the thinking of the majority of the people of Virginia."

Obenshain, who was on hand for the announcement, said precinct organizations

will be the key to the Scott effort. He said a master plan already has been completed with organizational work to begin immediately in 25 "target areas."

"There's never an absolute or total showdown between the political parties, but this is going to be a fundamental test between the Republicans and Democrats of Virginia," he said.

Obenshain said the "bed-rock" issue will boil down to one of whether a voter who "really wants to help President Nixon can turn his back on the only candidate who will help him as a senator."

Scott said his main campaign headquarters will be in Vienna, a community in Northern Virginia, and Obenshain will coordinate the campaign efforts through a headquarters here in Richmond.

He said he will open district headquarters in conjunction with 2nd District GOP Rep. C. William Whitehurst in Norfolk and Virginia Beach, with 9th District Congressman William C. Wampler in the far southwest, and with the 7th District's J. Kenneth Robinson and other GOP congressional candidates.

Scott said he will begin touring the state in a special campaign bus soon after Labor Day.

A third candidate in the campaign is Horace (Hunk) Henderson of Virginia, a former GOP state chairman who has broken with the Republicans and is running as an independent.

Spong Plans To Place Record Before Voters

By LARRY SHEFFER
Times Shenandoah Bureau

STAUNTON—U.S. Sen. William B. Spong Jr. says he will put his record as a senator before the voters of Virginia to determine if he deserves another six-year term in the Senate.

Spong made a pre-campaign swing through the Shenandoah Valley Friday with stops in Harrisonburg, Waynesboro, Staunton and Lexington.

Spong will officially kick off his re-election campaign on Labor Day with a rally in Chincoteague and an engagement in Grundy, and he hopes to make an appearance at the Labor Day rally in Buena Vista.

Spong said he has tried to represent everyone during his freshman term in the Senate. "I have tried to represent everybody, not please everybody."

He said he will be looking to get votes from every faction in the state and probably will not try to appeal to one group more than another.

In an impromptu news con-



Sen. William B. Spong Jr.

make public their income and holdings.

He noted he is also working on an international treaty dealing with the flow of narcotics.

Spong emphasized that one of the major issues in Virginia today is the need for the state to take advantage of the mistakes of other states in "our planning, zoning, industrial development and flood control."

He said Virginia is going through a period of transition where the economy has been relatively good so far and "we must take advantage of opportunities we have and create a climate for progress."

The majority of the senator's time was spent viewing areas ravaged by Hurricane Agnes.

He met with local officials in Waynesboro and toured downtown Waynesboro.

He also met with representatives of the Valley Workshops, Inc., and conducted a general handshaking tour in the communities.

Farm Families Day Planned For Butler

ROANOKE — Two Virginia congressmen and a key member of the Department of Agriculture headline the Farm Families For Butler Day Friday at Steele's Tavern — a day when the farm families in the Sixth District can discuss the agricultural picture with Caldwell Butler.

Reps. J. Kenneth Robinson and Congressman William Wampler will be there to be at Butler's side as he talks with farmers and the families of the district, for what the candidate says will be "an opportunity to learn more about the American farmer and his problems."

The Department of Agriculture will send an envoy from Secretary Earl Butz to deliver the main address to the assembly at the McCormick Farm.

Butler met with Secretary Butz at VPI recently and has come away from the meeting convinced that the secretary will give him a sympathetic ear to the problems of agriculture in the Sixth District if he is elected to Congress.

The day was organized by David Beyeler, chairman of the Farm Families For Butler, a group of farm families which will work for Mr. Butler's election to the U. S. House of Representatives in November. The group, which advises the candidate on the farm picture, has stated that "Butler's candidacy is important to the continuance of the Nixon-Butz control of the department and its programs."

Lunch will be served and entertainment will be provided to everyone at the farm day program. The Butler Farm Girls will be there serving as usherettes.

The main idea of the fete is that the candidate is afforded the opportunity to meet and get to know the farmers and to better understand their problems. Mr. Butler has said that he hopes a mutual understanding will develop.

Butler said that he is convinced "a strong agricultural economy is the first step in strengthening the over-all economy of Sixth District."

He has embraced the Butz Administration Department of Agriculture and said he feels the farmer has a dedicated servant in Earl Butz.

The Department of Agriculture official will be introduced by Clarence Tardy, head of the state farm families to re-elect the President.

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Others on the committee are: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rose, Covington; Mr. and Mrs. John D. Smith, Amherst; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth L. Robinson, Warm Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lestef, Forest; Mr. and Mrs. Garland Sprinkle, Buchanan; Mr. and Mrs. John Alderson, Troutville; Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Crummett Jr., Blue Grass; Mr. and Mrs. L. Joe Wertz, Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack S. Smith, Fairfield.



JOHN KINDT, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren F. Kindt of Waynesboro, has been named by Sixth District Republican candidate M. Caldwell Butler as headquarters campaign manager, with responsibility for overall office operations. Mr. Kindt, 22, is a graduate of the College of William and Mary.

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AMHERST COUNTY

Republicans To Open Headquarters Friday

The Amherst County Republican Party will officially open its campaign headquarters on Friday at 7:30 p.m. on Rt. 29, north. The headquarters will be located in the building formerly used as Coleman's Tackroom in Monroe, next door to Coleman's Store.

Anyone interested in helping with this campaign is urged to attend this meeting.

Bayley's Chapel Kindergarten is now receiving registrations for four and five-year-old children. The kindergarten will open Sept. 5 and will follow the same schedule as the public school

system regarding holidays and vacations. Hours will be from 9 until 11:30 a.m.

Mrs. Donald Sirocco is director and will be assisted by Mrs. Eddie Overman.

The kindergarten is held in the Bayley's Chapel United Methodist Church on Dixie Airport Road.

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The Madison Heights Baptist Church will hold its annual church picnic Saturday at Eagle Eyrie.

A schedule of events for the day is as follows: leave church at 4 p.m.; softball game, 4:30-5:30 p.m.; picnic, 6-7 p.m.; singout, 7-7:30 p.m.; and egg throw contest, 7:30-8 p.m.

A sack race and other games are also scheduled.

The church will provide

Southern Politics In a Time of Flux

Reviewed by
HAROLD SUGG

THE CHANGING POLITICS OF THE SOUTH. Edited by William C. Havard. Louisiana State University Press. \$17.50.

A NEW SURVEY of southern politics, edited by VPI Dean William C. Havard, is not the monument V.O. Key's masterpiece was in 1949 and Dr. Havard and his writers cannot be blamed for it. A monument is a more or less stable thing (Virginia politics in the 1940s was "a museum piece"), southern politics 30 years ago was a mosaic, each piece at least having a relation to the other.

That old monument is crumbling, a new team of scholars has found. The pieces are more different than similar and the "One Party South" is now the "No Party South." Four states are evolving into a two-party systems: Texas, Tennessee, Florida and Virginia, the latter being discussed by Dr. Ralph Eisenberg, of the University of Virginia.

Dr. Eisenberg picks 1969 as the year the Democratic organization lost control of the Democratic party. That was the year William Battle defeated Henry Howell for the gubernatorial nomination; Republican Linwood Holton picked up the Howell vote and the Republican vote together and became governor.

The most startling Virginia voting characteristic to change in 20 years, Dr. Eisen-

berg found, is the size of the electorate. More than three times as many votes were cast for president in 1968 as in 1948, the number rising from 419,000 to 1,361,000. The old controlled electorate is gone. The urban factor is more important than the rural; the black man's vote has risen markedly.

By the time Dr. Eisenberg closed his chapter he saw a paradox. He wrote that the present Virginia Republican posture is more conservative than the liberal faction of the Democratic Party but less conservative than the Byrd organization. After last month's State GOP convention in Roanoke, when the hardliners (urban, businessmen Republicans) took over from moderate, mountaineer Republicans, there might be a modification, either temporary or long-run, of that view.

Three Southern states are classified as wavering: North Carolina, Arkansas and Georgia. Dr. Joseph L. Bernd, also of VPI&SU, contributes a lively chapter on the politics of Georgia — from the standpoint of readability perhaps the best in the book. Five states are labeled "The Protest States." They are Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and South Carolina. An additional chapter is devoted to the decline of Southern power in Congress.

The book, of course, is crammed full of interesting statistics and intriguing maps. Lee S. Greene and Jack E.

Holmes superimposed on a map of Tennessee the election results of the Populist Party campaign in 1892 and the George Wallace campaign in 1968. The Wallace counties of 1968 are almost identical with the Populist counties of 1892. That ought to answer one question. When Governor Wallace looks at the mirror and says: "Mirror, mirror, on the wall, who's the neo-Populist of them all," that old mirror can come back and say: "Why you are, George!"

In a final overview chapter, Dr. Havard concludes that with the GOP increasingly competitive, and with the Democratic party fluctuating widely in the Deep South, "it would be hard to categorize the politics of the South as anything but a 'no-party' system if we were compelled to bring the region under a single rubric." Strong statewide organizations have all but disappeared, he writes, and the "friends and neighbors" ties between states are less identifiable. The old gray mare just ain't what she used to be.

The book is valuable. It's too bad politics doesn't stand still long enough in the South nowadays for writers to get a clear, artistic fix upon it. The volume is full of all the new mathematical techniques and thus more scientific and less readable than Key's study. It also won't last as long, not because it has any less value but because the rate of change will require another survey 10 years from now. Maybe the South will join the Union.

Daily Ad

Candidate promises fight to cut federal spending

AMHERST—Willis M. (Wick) Anderson, the Democratic candidate for Congress from the Sixth District, told Amherst County supporters Wednesday that he will fight for a reduction in federal spending if he is elected.

"Inflation is a cruel tax, a hidden tax," he said at a luncheon at Holiday Inn North.

Anderson said when you discuss billions of dollars and the technicalities of administering the national debt you get lost. He said reduced to a single denominator, it reads inflation.

In order to cope with inflation it will be necessary to reduce the federal deficit Anderson explained.

"Either taxes must go up or spending by government must go down. If I am elected, I pledge to fight for the reduction of federal spending," he said.

Speaking about the welfare crisis in America, Anderson stated that he was opposed to the guaranteed annual income theory.

"I think the welfare program should rest on the premise that every able-bodied person should work," Anderson went on to say

that it is "relief without work" that has sent the economy skyrocketing.

Welfare mothers with dependent children are at the center of the welfare crisis, according to Anderson. He blames the problem on "runaway fathers" and proposes making desertion a federal offense in order to cope with what he calls a National problem.

Discussing desertion, Anderson said they used to horsewhip fathers who left their families. Now they reward the same man by assuming his responsibilities through the welfare program at the taxpayers expense.

In order to help welfare mothers provide for themselves, they need jobs and job training where appropriate. Welfare child centers are also necessary. Although this smells like just one more federal program, Anderson feels like it is preferable to letting matters go unchecked as they are now.

Asked about public reaction to his statement that he cannot support McGovern, Anderson said he has received overwhelming support throughout the district. "People do not always agree



—Larry Flick Photo

CAMPAIGN TALK — Willis M. Anderson, Democratic candidate for the sixth Congressional District, answers questions at Amherst County

luncheon. James W. Davis, former state senator, looks on.

State Demos, GOP Pushing Registration Sweepstakes

By SYD COURSON

RICHMOND (AP) — Whether the Republican or the Democratic presidential nominee carries Virginia in the Nov. 7 general election could well hinge on the results of a voter registration sweepstakes.

The state organizers of the Committee to re-elect the President and the leaders of the Virginia McGovern-Shriver Campaign Committee are keying their separate hopes of victory on a vast reservoir of unregistered voters.

This untapped font of political power has been estimated at between 225,000 and more than 600,000, depending on who's doing the guessing.

But in a state of 4,648,000 residents where the registered voters now number 1,882,000, the estimates do not appear unreasonable.

What they do appear to be is a margin of victory for the candidate who can attract a sizeable percentage of them.

This is the way Isaac Freeman and Harley Daniels figure.

Freeman, 28, is director of the Committee to Re-elect the President. Daniels, 30, is coordinator of the state McGovern-Shriver Campaign Committee.

Drive Under Way

Daniels said Friday the voter registration campaign has already begun in some areas of the state, but will be intensified. It is being directed by Mrs. Jessie Rattley of Newport News, first vice chairman of the state Democratic party.

Freeman said Friday the committee's volunteer canvassers were out in force Thursday night in Charlottesville. He said 165 canvassers knocked on the doors of "of between 3,500 and

4,000 houses."

The results were good, he said. The canvass showed that about 80 per cent of the residents favored President Nixon, and 411 unregistered voters who support Nixon were found, Freeman said.

"Between now and Oct. 7, when the registration books close, we hopefully are going to canvass every county and city and identify the unregistered voters and who they support," Freeman said.

Daniels' staff is expecting some 400 young volunteers at a day-long meeting in Richmond today. The meeting, Daniels said, is for students who support Sen. George S. McGovern, D-S.D., from all parts of the state. The purpose is to acquaint them with canvassing and registration procedures.

Rely On Volunteers

Both Nixon and McGovern campaign committees are relying heavily on volunteers for the canvassing.

Freeman appeared concerned that the public has not been made aware that his committee is just as anxious to register voters as is the McGovern Committee.

He indicated that the main problem his committee faces is complacency. "Everybody feels that Nixon will carry Virginia by a big margin," he said. "So it has been hard to get people motivated to work to make sure he carries the state by a wide margin."

The problem posing the biggest dilemma to Daniels' group is the lack of money—a problem the opposition admits is virtually nonexistent for the Committee to Re-elect the President.

Daniels and Freeman both said their respective registration drives will be "selective."

This means that neither organization is going to bend over backwards to register a new voter who's likely to vote the other ticket.

Daniels and Freeman were definite about this aspect of the voter registration sweepstakes.

3 candidates schedule debates

The Democrat, Republican and independent candidates for Congress from the Sixth District will have three way debates on a local TV station and at other locations in Lynchburg during October.

A report of the debates came from M. Caldwell Butler, the Republican candidate for the seat being vacated by Richard H. Poff.

He will debate with Democratic candidate Willis M. (Wick) Anderson of Roanoke and independent Roy M. White of Salem.

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Under Secretary Campbell *Buena V. News* To Address Butler Day

Under Secretary of Agriculture J. Phil (not Phillip) Campbell will deliver the main address at the Farm Families For Butler Day on Friday, August 25, at McCormick Farm in Steele's Tavern.

Mr. Campbell, a former Georgia Democrat turned Republican, has been Under Secretary since 1969 when he was appointed by President Nixon.

The day, which is sponsored by the Butler Farm Committee, is expected to attract many farm families. Speakers include Representative Kenneth Robinson and William Wampler in addition to Campbell and Caldwell Butler, the GOP candidate for Congress from the district.

A public official and farmer all of his adult life, Mr. Campbell was serving his fourth elected four-year term as Georgia Agriculture Commissioner when appointed to the Federal post.

In 1948 he was elected from his home county of Oconee to the Georgia General Assembly, where he served four of his six years in the assembly as Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee.

As Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture, he established Georgia's 146-acre Atlanta farmers' market, a wholesale fresh fruit and vegetable distribution hub for the southeast which now does a gross business of more than \$50 million a year.

The Under Secretary has served as past president of

the University of Georgia Alumni Society and is a member of the Board of Trustees, University of Georgia Foundation and Phi Kappa Phi Scholastic honorary fraternity at the University of Georgia. He is a past member of the Executive Committee of the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture and former secretary-treasurer of that organization. He was chairman of the State of Georgia Stone Mountain Memorial Association which created the world's largest carving with over 2 million visitors per year to view this mountain sculpture.

Mr. Campbell and his wife, the former Nan McCreery of Savannah, Georgia, live in Fairfax County, Virginia, with their youngest daughter of six children and Mr. Campbell's mother.

Until moving to the Washington, D.C. area the Campbell family had always lived on the Campbell farm at Watkinsville, Georgia, and they still consider it their permanent home.

Spong Seeks Separate Area *News-Va.* Flood Study

During his visit here yesterday to discuss flooding problems, U.S. Sen. William B. Spong Jr. said his office is "exploring" with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers the "possibility" of separating this area from the overall Potomac River Basin study so that a study can be made of it.

He pointed out that it had been possible to separate Buena Vista from the James River study.

"I wish I could tell you that we have succeeded for you," he said, "but we are just exploring it at this time."

He added, "The world is filled with people who build up false hopes in others. I don't want to give anyone false hopes."

Sen. Spong discussed yesterday with members of the Waynesboro Flood Study Commission that group's hopes to have the South River in Waynesboro and Augusta County made a pilot flood plain project, and looked at spots in the downtown area which were flooded in 1969 and this year.

Several Debates Listed In 6th District Race

The Caldwell Butler for Congress committee said yesterday it has made arrangements "to assure the citizens of the 6th District there will be debates in all parts of the district."

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ranged.

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He said the following joint appearances have been firmed up:

Lynchburg Jaycees, in late October.

Waynesboro Jaycees, at a festival scheduled Oct. 15-20.

Roanoke Jaycees, Oct. 10.

Langhammer also said Butler is accepting a series of radio and television dates. These are WLVA-TV, Lynchburg, Oct. 31; WDBJ-TV, Roanoke, Oct. 25; WBRA-TV, Roanoke, Sept. 16; and WFIR radio, Roanoke, Oct. 30.

Butler's opponents for the 6th District seat are Willis M. Anderson, a Roanoke Democrat, and Roy White, running as an independent Democrat, also of Roanoke.

Debates Planned By Candidates

By BILL CLINE
News Staff Writer

A public debate and a television debate by the three candidates for the Sixth Congressional District seat will be held in October in Lynchburg, the Caldwell Butler for Congress Committee reported Wednesday. Butler, Republican candidate for the seat being vacated by Richard H. Poff, issued a

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Sixth Dist.

Debate Set

Here in Oct.

Waynesboro apparently will be the setting for a public debate involving the three candidates for the Sixth District seat in Congress.

A spokesman for Republican M. Caldwell Butler said today the debate is expected to be held here in mid-October during the Fall Foliage Festival. He indicated the Waynesboro Jaycees would sponsor it.

Opposing Mr. Butler for the position vacated by Rep. Richard Poff are Democrat Willis M. Anderson and Independent Democrat Roy White. All three are from Roanoke.

The Butler spokesman said other debates are being arranged in Lynchburg and Roanoke and that four joint radio-television appearances have been scheduled. He said the three candidates have agreed to the procedures to be followed.

Two will head effort.

to re-elect President

A State Senator and a commercial real estate developer will direct area efforts to re-elect President Richard M. Nixon.

David F. Thornton and Lacy H. McClain will be in charge of the re-election campaign in Roanoke, Botetourt and Alleghany Counties and the cities of Roanoke, Salem, Covington and Clifton Forge.

Since 1965, Thornton, a Republican in the Virginia Senate, has been vice president for development at Roanoke College. He was chairman of Congressman Richard H. Poff's last campaign for his Sixth District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. Elected to the state senate in 1970, Thornton serves on the senate's education and health, local government, general laws and rehabilitation and social services committees.

An active Democrat in the Roanoke Valley area for several years, Lacy Hartwell McClain was the 1970 chairman of the Virginians For Byrd effort in the Roanoke Valley. He served on the Democratic City Committee in 1969-70 and was vice president of the Young Democrats organization in 1970. He is a commercial real estate developer.

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Butler Day Schedule Announced

By N-V Staff Writer

STEELES TAVERN — Sixth District congressional candidate M. Caldwell Butler today announced the schedule for tomorrow's "Farm Families for Butler Day" at the McCormick Farm here.

Following opening ceremonies at 11 a.m., Ninth District Rep. William Wampler will speak at 11:25; barbecued chicken lunch will be served at 12 noon; Seventh District Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson will speak at 1 p.m.; entertainment will begin at 1:35; Mr. Butler will speak at 1:55; and Undersecretary of Agriculture J. Phil Campbell will speak at 2:05.

Retiring Del. O. Beverley Roller will say the luncheon invocation and Rep. A. R. Giesen Jr. will introduce Mr. Butler.

Entertainment will be furnished by "The Junction" of Rockbridge County, a group which performed recently at the district 4-H conference in Blacksburg, and by the "Butler Girls," who will perform a number from the Broadway musical "Cabaret," using Butler lyrics.

Farm families from throughout the Sixth District have been invited to ask questions following each of the talks.

Anderson Proposes Work Relief Jobs As Welfare Reform

Willis M. Anderson, Sixth District Congressional candidate, believes that any program of welfare reform must rest on the premise that every able-bodied adult should work to earn his welfare benefits if he cannot obtain employment in the open market.

Anderson discussed America's welfare crisis in a speech before the Botetourt County Jaycees in Daleville.

Describing the problem of the absent father as the crux of the welfare crisis, Anderson proposed that nonsupport be made a Federal offense and that a new division of the Department of Justice be charged with enforcing a Federal support law.

Such a law is necessary, he said, because billions of dollars of Federal money are involved and because of poor enforcement of support laws on the part of the states.

The Democratic nominee for Congress suggested that fathers unable to find a job might be placed in public maintenance or cleanup work, with part of their wages going to the support of their families.

In those situations where the father cannot be found or cannot be identified, Anderson advocated strong

work incentives for welfare mothers. "To make this objective attainable," he said, "day care centers could earn their benefits by taking care of the children of other mothers who then would be free to fill regular jobs."

Job training opportunities must also be available to help welfare recipients attain independence," he said, and those people unable to find jobs or benefit from training could be put to work at simple tasks in a "sheltered workshop" environment. "To this limited extent, government may have to become the employer of last resort."

Anderson added, "Although this is a form of work relief, I suggest that work relief is better than relief without work."

As additional items for welfare reform, Anderson listed improved administration of welfare programs, including well-trained professionals who could help reduce the level of welfare cheating and strive to get their clients off the welfare rolls.

Anderson rejected President Nixon's Family Assistance Plan now before Congress which would provide a guaranteed annual income of \$2,400 for a family of four. Anderson said he could not support the bill because, if it passed, welfare rolls could double immediately, public assistance would be completely federalized and



J. Phil Campbell, undersecretary of Agriculture, will address the farm families for Butler Day, Friday, August 25.

80,000 new Federal employees would be required to administer the program.

"Benefits tend to become more generous as time goes by and we can be assured that the starting \$2,400 minimum would be only a beginning," he said.

Anderson cited figures showing that the number of persons receiving public assistance jumped from 10 to 15 million in just three years, and the amount spent rose from \$12 billion to \$18 billion a year in the same period. Anderson said the welfare crisis did

not result from programs for the elderly, the blind and the permanently disabled, but occurred in the category of Aid to Families with Dependent Children. In 1953 he said there was one welfare child for every 35 children in the population. Now there is one in 10.

"We must break the cycle of dependency which has claimed so many in our nation, and restore to these people a measure of self-sufficiency, and, more important, self-respect," he said.

Godwin Silent About State Campaign Role R7

By MELVILLE CARICO
Times Political Writer

GREEN SPRINGS — Ex-Gov. Mills E. Godwin, a Democrat, kept his own counsel on whether he will become involved in the Republican campaigns in Virginia this fall beyond heading a 1,200 member bipartisan committee working for the re-election of President Nixon.

Many in a crowd of between 600 and 700 who turned out for a GOP-sponsored pig roast thought Godwin might use the occasion to endorse Senate candidate William L. Scott.

There was no formal program as Godwin made it plain upon arrival that there was no significance in his appearance other than he had been invited to attend and that he would have nothing to say about what he is going to do in the future.

But some usually well-informed sources in the party claim Godwin has told GOP leaders that he is going to evaluate U.S. Sen. William B. Spong Jr. the next few weeks and that if he does not take stronger conservative positions, he might back Scott.

The pig roast was held at the 400-acre Hawkwood Farm, a spectacular 400 acres in Louisa County owned by Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Ely.

Gov. Linwood Holton had been invited by the GOP sponsors but he did not come.

Hawkwood Farm adjoins the tract which the state has selected as the site for its new multi-million dollar high

wall maximum security penitentiary and Mrs. Ely is the leader of Green Springs' efforts to block construction there.

Gov. Holton notified sponsors he had planned beforehand to go to Camp Pendleton to close out the summer cottage for Virginia governors on the military reservation.

Republicans at the affair included new state GOP Chairman Richard D. Obenshain, who Saturday became manager of Scott's campaign for the

Senate while the thrust of President Nixon's re-election campaign is being directed by a bipartisan committee. Obenshain told reporters that there will be close layers between the President's committee and Scott's campaign at the city and county levels. He's suggesting that his role as Scott's campaign manager while at the same time he is state party chairman is evidence of "total commitments" of the party to Scott's campaign.

Dozens of long-time conservative Democrats, many of them big party campaign contributors, attended the outing but there were only two Democrats from the General Assembly present — Del. D. French Slaughter of Culpeper and Del. Charles W. Gunn Jr. of Lexington.

Louisa County is in the 7th Congressional District and Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson got in an afternoon of campaigning among hundreds of his

constituents. Caldwell Butler, the GOP candidate for Congress in the 6th, was there too.

The outing was staged by 7th District Republicans, who roasted 16 pigs for the affair. They hope to make it one of the big political affairs in the state each year, rivaling the orchard picnics once staged by the late U. S. Sen. Harry F. Byrd Sr., and the shad planking still being put on each year by Democrats in Southside Virginia.

Robinson Defends Nation's 'System'

TYRO (Special) — Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson stated here today his conviction that "our system of government, and our free enterprise system of economy, have served us reasonably well and should be preserved — not junked in favor of radical experiments."

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"A competitive society, a competitive economy — I do not regard these structures as evil. This nation has achieved much of its greatness as a result of the interaction of competitive energies within itself. I am not for banishing the competitive concept and rewarding work and indolence equally — or, as some seemingly would do, placing a premium on indolence through over-generous welfare

programs of schemes described as 'redistribution of wealth.'"

"I learned early — in agriculture and in business — that whatever little so-called 'wealth' one might try to set aside from year to year will get redistributed in a hurry if one doesn't keep scrambling," Robinson commented.

The Seventh District Congressman spoke briefly at an informal luncheon here during an early campaign visit to Nelson County, which returns to the Seventh under Congressional redistricting.

"I have enjoyed friendships in Nelson for many years, and, as an orchardist and fruit packer, I have shared the hopes and disappointments of the industry with Nelson County growers," he noted.

Stating that he probably could be described as a "progressive conservative," Mr. Robinson said:

"I hope and believe that I recognize the need for momentum and the desirability of creative thinking in government and business, leading to beneficial change.

"Change for the sake of change; change out of irritation or frustration, without a basis in rational thought — upheavals of this kind, which we hear urged by some strident voices today, serve no constructive purpose, and I will continue to oppose them."

Va. Donor of GOP Gift Unknown

RICHMOND (AP) — A high Republican source said Friday that a Virginian had contributed \$50,000 to the Committee to Re-elect the President but the committee's Virginia treasurer said he had no knowledge of such a gift.

Walter Turnbull of Richmond said, "There have been several large gifts . . . some of them not solicited but just mailed in. There have been

some in the range of \$3,000 to \$6,000 from a husband and wife, for instance."

But Turnbull said under the new federal campaign contribution and expense regulations contributions of "that magnitude" could have been sent directly to the national treasurer in Washington.

The report of the large gift came from a high Republican source in Virginia who would

not disclose the name of the contributor.

Turnbull said, "I haven't received any gift in stock or cash in that magnitude."

Stanley Ebner, counsel for the finance committee of the re-election committee, is in charge of securities and large cash contributions, Turnbull said. Ebner could not be reached at his Washington office for comment.

Democrats, GOP Vying To Register State Voters

By SYD COURSON
RICHMOND (AP) — Whether the Republican or the Democratic presidential nom-

inee carries Virginia in the Nov. 7 general election could well hinge on the results of a voter registration sweepstakes.

The state organizers of the Committee to Re-elect the President and the leaders of the Virginia McGovern-Shriver Campaign Committee are keying their separate hopes of victory on a vast reservoir of unregistered voters.

This untapped font of political power has been estimated at between 225,000 and more than 600,000, depending on who's doing the guessing.

But in a state of 4,648,000 residents where the registered voters now number 1,882,000, the estimates do not appear unreasonable.

What they do appear to be is a margin of victory for the candidate who can attract a sizeable percentage of them.

This is the way Isaac Freeman and Harley Daniels figure. Freeman, 28, is director of the Committee to Re-elect the President. Daniels, 30, is coordinator of the state McGovern-Shriver Campaign Committee. Daniels said Friday the voter registration campaign has already begun in some areas of the state, but will be intensified. It is being directed by Mrs. Jessie Rattley of Newport News, first vice chairman of the state Democratic party.

Freeman said Friday the committee's volunteer canvassers were out in force Thursday night in Charlottesville. He said 165 canvassers knocked on the doors of "of between 3,500 and 4,000 houses."

The results were good, he said. The canvass showed that about 80 per cent of the residents favored President Nixon, and 411 unregistered voters who support Nixon were found, Freeman said.

"Between now and Oct. 7, when the registration books close, we hopefully are going to canvass every county and city and identify the unregistered voters and who they support," Freeman said.

Daniels' staff is expecting some 400 young volunteers at a day-long meeting in Richmond Saturday. The meeting, Daniels said, is for students who support Sen. George S. McGovern, D-S.D. from all parts of the state. The purpose is to acquaint them with canvassing and registration procedures.

Both Nixon and McGovern campaign committees are relying heavily on volunteers for the canvassing.

Freeman appeared concerned that the public has not been made aware that his committee is just as anxious to register voters as is the McGovern Committee.

He indicated that the main problem his committee faces is complacency. "Everybody feels that Nixon will carry Virginia by a big margin," he said. "So it has been hard to get people motivated to work to make sure he carries the state by a wide margin."

The problem posing the biggest dilemma to Daniels' group is the lack of money—a problem the opposition admits is virtually nonexistent for the Committee to Re-elect the President.

Daniels and Freeman both said their respective registration drives will be "selective." This means that neither organization is going to bend over backwards to register a new voter who's likely to vote the other ticket.

Daniels and Freeman were definite about this aspect of the voter registration sweepstakes.

'Unusual Opportunity'

This Friday, at the Farm Families for Butler Day, the farmers will be given an unusual opportunity to meet face to face with a man who will be our next Congressman. Farmers from over the entire district will be able to discuss with their candidate farm problems.

This Farm Families for Butler Day will be held at the McCormick Farm near Steeles Tavern.

I hope we will take advantage of this unusual opportunity.

C. E. MARTIN

Shenandoah Valley Farmers Skip Butler Campaign Rally

By MELVILLE CARICO
Times Political Writer

STEELES TAVERN—Only a few farmers in the Shenandoah Valley turned out Friday for a farm rally for M. Caldwell Butler, the Republican candidate running for congress in the 6th District.

Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, an orchardist who knows the Shenandoah farms like the palm of his hand, assured the gathering it was the bright sunshine that kept the farmers away.

A smaller than anticipated crowd of between 150 and 200 turned out for the rally, leaving uneaten cans of chicken and baked beans.

Speakers, including J. Phil Campbell, assistant secretary of agriculture, urged the election of a congressman who will listen to farmers with industrialized areas getting more and more power in Washington through one man one vote congressional reapportionment.

Campbell, who considers himself a Georgia farmer, claimed that farmers, as much as any other segment of the economy, have profited by Pres. Nixon's trip to Moscow and his administration's wage-price control.

Because of his trip to Moscow, Campbell told the farmers American grain export will reach a billion tons a year and make a big improvement in the entire farm economy.

Despite what he called a 50 per cent increase in farm family incomes in the last four years, Campbell said it is imperative to have an understanding congressman in Washington next year because



Butler (standing) Talks With Supporters

an omnibus farm bill enacted three years ago will be expiring and a new law covering most farm products will have to be enacted.

Butler, former law partner of Gov. Linwood Holton, said he does not profess to be an expert on agriculture but that he will have offices all over the district and stay in close touch with farmers so he will know their problems as they change.

Robinson went all out in urging voters in this part of

the district, which was in his own prior to reapportionment, to vote for Butler because, he said, Butler "understands the importance of a healthy agricultural economy."

"Caldwell Butler may not be a farmer but he will listen to farmers," Robinson declared.

Rep. William C. Wampler of the 9th, a member of the House Agriculture Committee, was also on a hand to speak for Butler.

"This is the year in which all Americans who believe in

the principles of Thomas Jefferson must join together to preserve this great representative form of government," Wampler declared.

Campbell, who served four terms as commissioner of agriculture in Georgia, an elective office, before being brought to Washington by the Johnson administration, was introduced by Clarence Parody, chairman of the Virginia Farm Families For the Re-election of the President. Parody operates a 1,300-acre cattle farm in Rockbridge County.

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The Eating Was Good for Those Families Which Turned Out Friday at Rally



CHATting with M. Caldwell Butler, 6th District GOP candidate for the House, are David R. Beyeler, chairman of the 6th District "Farm Families for Butler", and William C. Wampler, third-ranking member of the House Agriculture Committee. Mr. Butler visited the group today for "Farm Families for Butler Day" at the McCormick Farm at Steeles Tavern.

Butler candidacy gets boost from Robinson appearance

STEELES TAVERN — U.S. Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson said here today that "while there have been some encouraging trends in the agricultural economy, farmers still are largely dependent on success of the overall anti-inflation effort for a long-term favorable income prospect".

"Being at the mercy of market uncertainties — and the fickleness of nature — for his gross income, the farmer must hope for stabilization of his operating costs if he is to improve his net income position," Mr. Robinson noted.

The 7th District Congressman, a Winchester orchardist, spoke informally at a "Farm Families for Butler Day" at the McCormick Farm, held to boost the 6th District Congressional candidacy of M. Caldwell Butler, Republican candidate to succeed Richard H. Poff, who is leaving Congress to become a judge of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals.

Mr. Robinson expressed regret at losing Augusta County to the 6th District under Congressional redistricting, but commended the Butler candidacy to the assembled farm families.

"Caldwell Butler may not be a farmer, but he will listen to farmers," Robinson said, adding:

"He understands the importance of a healthy agricultural economy, and he will work for further simplification of federal farm programs, and for fair treatment of the diversified agricultural interests of this area.

"Caldwell Butler will make a fine Congressman, and I know his ability and energy will gain him prompt acceptance and respect in the House of Representatives."

In speaking of farm earnings, Mr. Robinson said "the disposable income of farmers still is not what it should be, averaging only 80 per cent of the average for nonfarm residents, but even that is higher than it ever has been in the past".

"The increased efficiency of farm families has contributed to this improvement in their spendable income situation," he said, "as well as the greater planting flexibility encouraged by the Agriculture Act of 1970, and the progress which has been registered in reducing the inflationary momentum in the economy as a whole."

Butler Expresses Concern For Nation's Environment

By N-V Staff Writer

STAUNTON — M. Caldwell Butler shifted his campaign for Congress from a "listening" to an active phase here last night by declaring his concern for the environment and depletion of the nation's energy reserves.

Delivering what had been billed by his Republican campaign organization as "a major policy speech," the candidate for election to Virginia's Sixth Congressional District seat allied himself with President Nixon's domestic policies and

stressed the importance of electing a GOP majority in both houses of Congress to "break that log-jam plaguing the President."

Mr. Butler, who left the House of Delegates to run for the congressional seat vacated by former Rep. Richard Poff, was in Staunton for the formal opening of the Staunton - Augusta Republican campaign headquarters.

With legislative candidate J. Marshall Coleman, he snipped the ceremonial ribbon to launch the start of active campaigning for the November elections. The event attracted a crowd of about 50 of the party faithful, many of them in their teens.

Taking note of the number of young people present, Mr. Butler said he is aware of their deep concern for the environment and said he wants to "go to Washington and accomplish the objective of responsible stewardship of the earth and its resources."

Mr. Butler said he is "proud to be the supporter of the first president in this country's history to make environmental concern a matter of high national policy." The interest of the Administration, he said, has been demonstrated by the creation of the Council on Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency — and the imaginative leadership the President has recruited to direct them.

The people of the Sixth District have "a special stake" in environmental protection programs because "we live much closer to nature here than is true in the vast spoiled urban areas of the east and west coasts," he said.

He said Valley residents must avoid the mistakes of those who have abused, wasted, and spoiled their environmental legacies — and avoid the mistakes of "those who might wish to turn the clock backward."

Mr. Butler voiced his concern with the nation's energy crisis, terming its causes "complex and technical," and promising to discuss them in detail later in his campaign.

He lauded President Nixon's proposal for the creation of a

Department of Natural Resources as a means of bringing all environmental and energy concerns of the federal government under one umbrella. Some 61 different federal agencies currently are involved with some aspect of the regulation of energy, he noted, saying that they frequently work at cross purposes.

He said the failure of the Democratic-controlled Congress to authorize creation of this department as "one more reason demonstrating the importance of returning the President (to office) with a Republican controlled Congress."

Mr. Coleman, running without Democratic opposition for election to the seat in the House of Delegates vacated by O. Beverley Roller, renewed his promise of a "person-to-person campaign" during which he will see as many people as possible to get their ideas.

The young Staunton attorney said that, following his election, he will "keep in close touch" with his constituents to assure responsive representation of them in Richmond.

Mr. Roller, serving as district co-chairman of the Scott for Senate Committee, warned of the perils of apathy by Republican voters who might take the victory of their candidates for granted.

Urging a vote for Republican William Scott for the Senate by those who vote for President Nixon, Mr. Roller labeled Democratic incumbent Sen. William B. Spong Jr. "a wild liberal all the way (who is) a staunch supporter of McGovern."

Last night's ribbon-cutting program was presided over by Del. Arthur R. Giesen Jr. of Staunton.

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M. CALDWELL BUTLER (left), Republican candidate for Virginia's Sixth Congressional District seat, took part in ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the opening of the Staunton -

Augusta Republican campaign headquarters in Staunton last night. Assisting Mr. Butler were legislative candidate J. Marshall Coleman and Mrs. Coleman. (N-V Photo by York)

Special Vote Ordered To Fill U.S. State Seats

By WAYNE FARRAR
Times Richmond Bureau

RICHMOND — Gov. Linwood Holton Wednesday called special elections for Nov. 7 to fill vacancies in the 6th Congressional District and in the 15th Legislative District.

The special voting to elect successors to Rep. Richard H. Poff and Del. O. Beverley Roller, both Republicans, will coincide with General Election Day.

Poff resigned recently to accept appointment to the Virginia Supreme Court. He was sworn in Wednesday. The last congressional term to which he was elected in January 1973. He was not seeking a new term.

Roller resigned to accept a position with the State Department of Education. His term in the House of Delegates expires in January, 1974. Roller, of Weyers Cave, represented the cities of Staunton and Waynesboro and the counties of Augusta, Highland and Bath.

Republican M. Caldwell Butler, Democrat Willis M. Anderson and Independent Roy White are running for the 6th District seat in the 93rd congress which convenes in January.

Presumably, they will run also in the special election for the remainder of Poff's term in the 92nd Congress.

If the same candidate wins both the special and regular voting, he will have a seniority advantage over other freshmen in the 93rd Congress.

There is but one candidate for the House of Delegates seat vacated by Roller. He is Republican J. Marshall Coleman of Staunton, a lawyer.

The Democratic committee in the 15th legislative District met and failed to nominate a candidate. The executive committee was empowered to name a candidate if one can be found.

Confusion will arise in the congressional voting as a re-

sult of redistricting enacted by the 1971 General Assembly, to take effect with the convening of the New Congress in January, 1973.

Poff Takes Oath For Seat On State Supreme Court

RICHMOND (AP) — With a sizeable chunk of Virginia officialdom looking on, former Congressman Richard H. Poff Wednesday became the first Republican in this century to take a seat on the Virginia Supreme Court.

Poff, 49, of Radford, served Virginia's 6th District for 20 years in the House of Representatives and was the second ranking Republican on the prestigious House Judiciary Committee.

He was appointed to the Virginia Supreme Court earlier this summer by Gov. Linwood Holton.

Administering the oath of office to Poff in the walnut paneled courtroom was Chief Justice Harold F. Snead.

The brief ceremony, witnessed by some 125 persons, began with former Gov. William Tuck reading Poff's commission of appointment to the court.

Expanding somewhat on this limited duty, he recalled his service with Poff on the Judiciary Committee in the House and called the new justice "a man of integrity, industry and high honor."

Formally introducing Poff to

the court was U.S. Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr., of Richmond. There was a bit of irony here in that before President Nixon appointed Powell to the high court, Poff had been considered his most likely choice. But Poff request-

ed that he not be considered and Powell subsequently was appointed and approved.

Powell noted that Poff was a graduate of Roanoke College and the University of Virginia Law School and had practiced

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in his native Radford for four years before his election to Congress in 1952.

Recalling Poff's wartime exploits, Powell said the new justice had flown 36 missions over Europe as a bomber pilot during World War II and had received numerous battlefield commendations.

"It is most appropriate that this distinguished son of Virginia should be appointed to this court," Powell said.

The ceremony was appropriately solemn until Snead asked Republican State Sen. James B. Turk of Radford and Radford Commonwealth's Atty. John D. Buck to assist Poff into his new robe of office.

As this was being done, Snead quipped from the bench, "Are you sure it's long enough?"

This brought laughter from the crowd inasmuch as Poff however tall he might stand in the legal fraternity, measures barely over five-foot-five and is towered over by most of the other members of the court.

After he had donned his black robe, Poff was escorted by Turk and Buck to the empty seat at the left end of the bench, left vacant by the resignation of Justice Thomas Gordon of Richmond.

There he was asked by Snead to sign his oath of office. When Poff signed one sheet and sat back, Snead reminded him, "In triplicate please," adding an explanation to an amused audience that "At least one copy has to go to the comptroller before he can draw his pay."

Then the chief justice formally extended to Poff the court's "sincerest congratulations."

"You have a reputation for doing your homework," Snead told his new colleague, "and I assure you that, as a member of this court, you will have

Complicated Election Is Set

RICHMOND (AP)—A seemingly complicated dual election is set for Nov. 7 when Virginia's old 6th Congressional District will elect an interim U.S. Representative and voters in the old district elect a man for a two-year term.

The same man probably will be elected in both cases, but the two elections are necessary in enabling the new representative to get a seniority jump on his fellow freshmen next year.

The old 6th District is the one prior to the General Assembly's last redistricting.

The man elected in November will take office at that time since former 6th District Rep. Richard E. Poff has taken his seat on the Virginia Supreme Court.

Other elected freshmen won't take office until Jan. 1, 1973.

The special election was announced Wednesday by Gov. Linwood

Anderson on Welfare

IF WILLIS ANDERSON'S recent speech on welfare is typical of other "major campaign statements" to come, he might as well concede the election to Caldwell Butler right now. Apparently Anderson is trying to woo the conservative vote in the Sixth District; but advocating more federal controls is hardly the way to do it.

One thing we don't need is another federal department to take over matters that are the responsibility of state and local governments. I believe Caldwell Butler fully understands this fact, but apparently Mr. Anderson has fallen victim to the national Democratic thesis that our lives must be fully regulated from Washington.

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Regional GOP Chiefs Attend Butler Headquarters Opening

Del. Caldwell Butler described himself as a loyal member of the "Nixon team" and promised to continue the tradition of former Rep. Richard H. Poff as he spoke last night at the opening of his headquarters in Roanoke.

Other speakers were State Sen. David Thornton of Salem, who predicted a landslide victory for Nixon this fall, and Del. Raymond R. Robrecht of Roanoke County, who spoke on behalf of Rep. William L. Scott, GOP candidate for the U.S. Senate.

"I have assured the people that I am the only candidate who is on the 'Nixon team' and who can help assure the President that he will have a Republican - controlled Congress, which he and which America deserves," said Butler.

Butler said that if he is elected to the 6th District seat he will inherit much of Poff's staff that "will assure continuity of the Poff tradition."

Butler said he favors many of the things the President does, including welfare reform, a ceiling on federal spending and a strong nation-

al defense policy. He said, too, that he wants to keep the right-to-work law.

He said he'll start discussing campaign issues in detail when he opens his headquarters in Staunton tomorrow night.

A large group of legislators

and party wheels attended the Roanoke opening last night. They included State Sen. James C. Turk of Radford and Del. A. R. Giesen Jr. of Staunton. Turk is minority leader of the Senate and Giesen is minority leader of the House.

White Charges Butler With Avoiding Issues

Congressional candidate Roy White last week issued an attack against the campaign tactics of Republican opponent Caldwell Butler charging that the Republican was avoiding the issues.

In a statement issued to the news media, White said, "In presenting myself to the people of the Sixth District as a candidate for Congress I promised I will be open and honest with them at all times. Because of this commitment I now must take public exception to tactics that have been and are now being used by my Republican opponent.

"This reluctant departure from what I consider the important subjects for public discussion, the issues, is caused by a news article in the Roanoke Times to Thursday, August 24, White said. In a press release Mr. Butler has announced that his "Caldwell Butler for Congress Committee" has made arrangements 'to assure the citizens of the 6th district there will be debates in all parts of the district.'

Among all the other political gimmickry Mr. Butler has practiced so far in this campaign, this piece is the most inexcusable. It gives the lie to my statements to the press of

August 17 and requires that this candidate be called to account for the information he is giving the people of the Sixth District, White said.

"The facts are: I was the initiator of the challenges to debate. Mr. Butler learned of my press conference called for this purpose and in a ploy to beat me to the punch called his own press conference four hours in advance of mine. Pressed by time he could not use the mail to convey his challenge so he slipped the letter to me under my door. From Mr. Anderson's reply it is evident he got the same treatment.

"From that point I cannot give evidence to all the happenings and non-happenings that followed. I know that after ringing challenges to debate "in all media" the Butler and Anderson organizations began protracted debates over the "rules" which caused me to withdraw from the discussion with a written statement to accept any 'rules within reason' adopted by the other two candidates. This was done in the hope that with the negotiating parties reduced to two an agreement would be easier to reach.

"This hope was in vain.

Mr. Butler's representatives had trouble keeping appointments. His staff sent me information that was flatly denied by Mr. Anderson's staff. The rules he proposed were stultifying in concept and practice. And in any case the arguments made by both sides were futile since invitations for appearances have invariably included formats and rules proposed by the host.

"During all this time Mr. Butler neglected, or refused to make formal acceptance of the invitations we received for appearances on TV and radio; invitations Mr. Anderson and I accepted some five weeks ago. And the inference in Mr. Butler's press release to the effect that his campaign staff made arrangements for "joint appearances" before civic groups is just not consistent with the facts.

"On the same subject of open, honest and sensible politics, I wish to remind the people of the Sixth District that on the day I formally opened my campaign I released to the press my positions on 25 of the major national issues. At that time I challenged my opponents to respond.

Byrd to speak in area

U.S. Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr. will speak on the "Pulse in Washington and Virginia" at the annual meeting of the Virginia Agribusiness Council Sept. 9 at Staunton.

The talk by Virginia's senior U.S. Senator, an Independent, is scheduled at a recognition luncheon for Virginia Agribusiness leaders at Ingleside. In view of the shifting political scene in Virginia and the nation, program chairman David E. Laird Jr. of Richmond said Sen. Byrd's topic holds considerable interest for all Virginians.

He noted that the overall theme of the annual meeting is "Government: Its Impact on the Industry of Agriculture." He previously announced that two of Gov. Holton's cabinet members, Secretary of Education Earl J. Shiflet and Secretary of Commerce and Resources Maurice B. Rowe, would speak on the morning program.

Preceding the luncheon, four classes of council members will hold caucuses to nominate candidates for the board of directors. Formal election of directors will take place at the annual business meeting that afternoon.

The council's membership encompasses all agricultural interest groups from production to processing, marketing and distribution. The four member classifications are: agricultural producers and producer associations; suppliers of goods and services to agricultural producers; processors, packers and marketers of agricultural products, and general industry organizations.

Council officers for 1972-73 will be elected in an organizational meeting of the board of directors immediately following the business meeting. Present officers are R. H. Strickler of Harrisonburg, president; Mr. Laird, vice president, and James Neuhoﬀ of Salem, treasurer.

Kostel To Lead Citizens Group For Anderson

Former Delegate George J. Kostel of Clifton Forge will head a Citizens Committee for the Election of Willis M. Anderson to Congress in the Sixth District, according to Anderson headquarters in Roanoke.

The Committee will enlist the support of independents and Republicans, as well as Democrats, interested in Anderson's candidacy.

A lawyer and board

chairman of the First National Bank of Clifton Forge, Kostel served eight years in the House of Delegates and carried the Sixth District last year in his race for Lieutenant Governor.

Kostel and Anderson attended Washington and Lee University at the same time and served together in the legislature. Kostel praised Anderson's service in local and state government and declared him to be highly qualified to serve in Congress.

"Wick Anderson is both the youngest and most experienced candidate in the congressional race," said Kostel. "I'm confident his views on the issues accurately reflect majority opinion in the Sixth District and that he will serve the District with distinction."

Formation of the first Citizens Committee was announced over the weekend in Lynchburg. It will be known as "Lynchburgers for Anderson" and has an initial membership of 30 community leaders.

Butler Pledges More Of 'Poff Tradition'

By MELVILLE CARICO
Times Political Writer

House candidate Caldwell Butler told Republican leaders in the 6th District Wednesday night that if he is elected to Congress he will continue the tradition of Richard H. Poff who earlier in the day was sworn in as a justice of the Virginia Supreme Court.

Butler was the featured speaker at the opening of district GOP campaign headquarters in Roanoke at which he and other speakers called for an all out effort for President Nixon and U.S. Senate candidate William L. Scott.

About 100 officeholders, party officials and rank-and-file campaign workers, some of them young people, turned out for the ribbon cutting and speech making.

Poff did not seek reelection this year after nearly 20 years in Washington and Butler, former GOP minority leader in the Virginia House of Delegates, was unopposed for the Republican nomination.

"I am pleased to have worked closely with him for many, many years and I am happy to know that I will inherit much of his staff because this will assure continuity of the Poff tradition," Butler declared.

The headquarters also will provide space for State Sen. David Thornton, Salem, the area coordinator for the Virginia Committee for the Re-Election of the President.

Thornton predicted President Nixon will win reelection by the biggest landslide in history but cautioned party workers: "We must not let

the polls lull us into apathy."

The pep talk for Scott, the Senate candidate opposing Sen. William B. Spong Jr., a Democrat finishing his first term, came from Del. Raymond R. Robrecht of Roanoke County.

Others on the program included State Minority Leader James C. Turk, Radford, who earlier in the day was in Richmond for the swearing-in ceremony of Justice Poff; House Minority Leader A. R. "Pete" Giesen Jr., Staunton; 6th District GOP Chairman William B. Poff, Roanoke, and J. W. Langhammer, Butler's campaign manager.

But Butler was the star attraction, the centerpiece in the GOP's effort in this part of the state where 20 years ago Poff as a young lawyer from Radford broke the Democrats' lock by winning the House seat in the Eisenhower landslide.

Willis M. Anderson, the Democratic candidate for the House seat, has said repeatedly he cannot support Presidential candidate George McGovern and Butler continued to insist that he ought to stay for whom he is going to vote for President.

"I have assured the people that I am the only candidate who is on the Nixon team and who can help assure the President that he will have a Republican controlled Congress which he and which America deserves," Butler said in his prepared text.

Then in an insert distributed to reporters just before the meeting began, Butler added:

"There is one big issue staring the voters square in the face. The issue is George McGovern.

Anderson accused Butler Tuesday of not talking about anything important so far except his opposition to changing Virginia's right-to-work-law; something on which they agree.

Butler, without referring to Anderson's accusations, told the roomful of campaign workers: "I have applauded the President's call for a ceiling on federal spending; I have emphasized the need for welfare reform; I have refused to go along with the principle of a guaranteed annual income; I have endorsed the principle of revenue sharing; I am pledged to preserve the right-to-work-law; I am pledged to a strong national defense policy and to back the President in his plan for an honorable settlement to the Vietnam conflict."

Butler said he will begin discussing issues in detail beginning with a speech at a headquarters opening Friday night in Staunton. He said it will be on "a topic of great concern."

He described conduct of his campaign so far "the listening phase," conceded that it has not made headlines but declared he would not swap this experience and what he has learned "for all the headlines from May to September."



Times Photo by Oakie Asbury

State Sen. David Thornton Speaks at Headquarters Opening
Butler Is At Center, Del. A. R. Giesen At Right and Councilman David Lisk At Far Left

Labor Day Fete Set For All Day Monday

BY HUGH KOONTZ

This year's Labor Day program will have more to offer, and probably more people to offer it to, than last year's celebration which attracted over 10,000 persons to the City.

The day is to begin early. At 10:00 a.m. the parade, starting at 21st Street and proceeding down Magnolia Ave. to the park, will begin, and park committee spokesmen note that participants should arrive at 21st Street before 9:30 that morning to contact parade marshal Tom Dickinson for their positions in the parade.

Several trophies will be awarded to parade entries in various categories. Besides the usual awards going for the best fire department and rescue squads, trophies will also be awarded to the best industrial float, the best merchant's float, the best marching unit, the best band and the best parade unit.

In addition, prizes will be awarded to the most unusual unit in the parade and the best decorated bicycle. An award will also be given to the best appearing antique auto.

Dignitaries

Several visiting dignitaries will be present during the day's program. Among these will be Senator William Spong, a native of Portsmouth, who has been a member of the United States Senate since 1966. Spong served in the State House of Delegates from 1954 until his election to the State Senate two years later. He served in the State legislature until his election to the U.S. Senate in 1966.

Senator Spong now serves on two major committees in the Senate, the Foreign Affairs Committee and the Commerce Committee. He also serves on the Select Committee on Standards and Conduct, better known

as the Ethics Committee, and the Democratic Steering Committee.

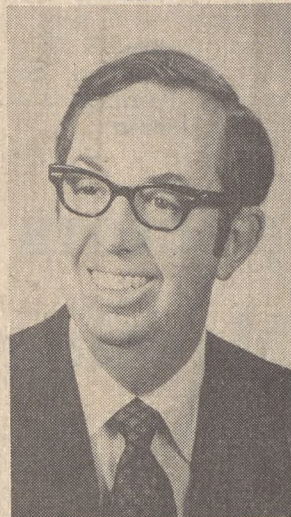
Senator Spong was an



Roy White



Wick Anderson



Caldwell Butler

early advocate of measures to improve our environment and as a former member of the Public Works Committee, he participated in writing legislation designed to abate pollution of air and water.

In January 1971, Sen. Spong became the twelfth Virginian to serve on the prestigious Foreign Committee. He was also the only freshman member of the Senate on the Committee. Sen. Spong has been particularly involved with issues relating to the war powers of the President, U.S.-Canadian relations, NATO and the illicit international drug traffic.

On the Commerce Committee, Sen. Spong is a member of the Subcommittees on Aviation, Consumer Environment, Merchant Marine and Oceans and Atmosphere. He has demonstrated special interest in consumer affairs, mass transit, aircraft noise, and in issues relating to the protection of wetlands. He authored the report on the environmental effects of phosphates in detergents.

Spong was educated in the public schools of Portsmouth, at Hampden-Sydney College, the Law School of the University of Virginia, and the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. During World War II he served overseas with the Eight Air Force. Congressional Candidates

In addition to Sen. Spong, the three candidates for the sixth district congressional seat will also be present at the park sometime in the afternoon. Democratic candidate Willis Anderson, Republican candidate Caldwell Butler and independent Democrat Roy White will be in the park.

Frank Reed, the mayor of Lynchburg, will also be present at the celebration.

At 11:00 local and visiting dignitaries will address the people and the awards will be presented to parade participants.

The Day's Program

The entertainment program will begin at 12:00 with a performance by the Stars of Dixie majorette group from Roanoke. The Tink-a-Pooh Crew, a country music band, will perform in the pavillion at 12:30. According to park committee spokesmen, all shows scheduled on the hour will be presented on the main stage in front of the Paxton House and all

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