

In Two Counties

# New Officers For Community Action Group Are Elected

Mel Everingham of Brevard was elected chairman of the Board of Directors of Western Carolina Community Action, Inc. at a meeting held in the Beam Administration Building of Brevard College on August 12th. He replaces Hugh D. Randall, Superintendent of Hendersonville City Schools, who served in this capacity during the past year.

Mr. Everingham was eligible for this post as an elected member to the WCCA Board from the Transylvania County Community Action Committee, representing the Transylvania County Center. Mr. Everingham is a member of the Process Control Section at E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc.

Other officers elected to the WCCA, Inc. Board were J. M. Foster (representing Henderson County Board of Education), 1st Vice Chairman; Marvin Sutherland (Hendersonville

Lions Club), 2nd Vice Chairman; Mrs. Marjorie Bryant (Brevard Jaycees Sheltered Workshop), Secretary; and Mrs. Clarence E. Schneider (Migrant Council of Henderson County, Inc.), Treasurer.

Elections to the Henderson County and Transylvania County Community Action Committees were held the preceding week.

Those serving as representatives for the Transylvania County Committee include:

Mrs. Edith C. Jenkins, Transylvania County Department of Public Welfare; Dr. Richard E. Robinson, Transylvania County Board of Education; Mrs. Jessie Lollis, Transylvania County Health Department; Mrs. Gertie Hemphill, Glade Creek; Mrs. Ernest Gosnell, Mill Town; Mrs. Selena Robinson and Cornelius Hunt, Rosewald; Mr. Everingham, Transylvania Community

Center; Henry McDonald, Brevard Housing Committee; Charles Heath, Transylvania County Youth Association; and Mrs. Marjorie Bryant, Brevard Jaycees Sheltered Workshop.

Orientation and training for board and committee members, to be conducted by the Multi-Purpose Training Center, Extension Division, UNC - Chapel Hill, will be conducted in the near future, according to statement by A. Jack Guillebeaux, Henderson County Coordinator.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend all County Committee meetings, held the first Tuesday of each month, and Board meetings, held the second Monday of each month.



I can do all things in Him who strengthens me. —(Phil. 4:13)

Today's prayer thought is like a pattern or blueprint for harmonious happy living. We can take this kind of idea, "We refuse to be upset or unhappy about anything. Through Christ in us we are peaceful and harmonious at all times and under all circumstances. We may not achieve perfect results on every occasion, but each effort strengthens us and brings us closer to our ideal."



## These Days

Or - Behind The News From Washington

By -

John Chamberlain

MIAMI BEACH — Richard Nixon owes his nomination as the Republican candidate for President of the United States to a number of things, beginning with his own pertinacity as a worker in the party vineyard over a four-year period. But he wouldn't have made it if it hadn't been for the two honest men, senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina and Charlton Lyons, a leading delegate from Louisiana.

In the late hours before the balloting, Clifton White, the field marshal extraordinary of the Ronald Reagan delegate hunt, trembled on the verge of a spectacular break-through. For the purposes of getting the nomination, Nixon had pursued the same sort of southern strategy that won for Barry Goldwater four years ago. Last April he thought he had a huge majority of the southern delegates in his pocket. But Clifton White kept combing the country, chipping off a bit here and a bit there. Gradually it became apparent to him that the latent Reagan strength in the South could become a formidable obstacle to a first - ballot Nixon victory.

The Texas delegation wasn't solid for Nixon, and Reagan had his friends in North Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida. But South Carolina and Louisiana, thought they also had many delegates who really favored Reagan, posed the big problem; they had chivalric southerners in key positions who had given their word to Nixon, and they couldn't be budged.

Senator Strom Thurmond is a military man; Charlton Lyons is a gentleman of the old school. They don't know what it is to lie. (Nor, for that matter, does Thurmond's political agent, Harry Dent.) They also refused to believe that Nixon would select a vice presidential running mate without giving them full opportunity to approve the choice in advance.

So, when Clifton White's Lieutenants came to them, offering plausible reasons for believing that (A) Reagan would be the stronger candidate, and (B) that Nixon might make a quick jump to a national strategy to woo the Northern cities with a Vice Presidential ploy that would be unacceptable in South Carolina and Louisiana, not to mention the rest of Dixie, Thurmond and Lyons turned deaf ears. A cynical southern-

er from New Orleans remarked that White had encountered the only two honest politicians in America. A frustrated worker at Reagan headquarters, lacking Cliff White's infinite patience, remarked, with considerable Acrimony, that "Strom Thurmond is just a stubborn old man."

So the limchpins in the Nixon pre - balloting strategic construction held. The ironic thing about it is that Thurmond, Lyons, and Dent were all part of what might be called the "Clifton White society of friends." They had stood with him on St. Crispin's Day in 1964. It must have broken their hearts to turn him down in 1968. But they couldn't have lived with their own consciences if they had done otherwise.

When the history of the pre-convention fight for the Republican Presidential nomination is untangled, Richard Nixon will stand with the master politicians of the age. He covered his flanks with consummate agility, meanwhile driving ahead with the rank and file of party workers everywhere. A centrist who was distrusted by the conservatives in his party, he had to engineer his acceptance by right wing intellectuals who might have vote power strength in 1968. Pat Buchanan, a young St. Louis newspaperman who joined the Nixon forces quite early in the drive for the Presidency, did much patient missionary work with writers, publicists, and editors who found it difficult to rid themselves of the idea that Nixon was just another Liberal, or at least a man who would always give up more than half of the loaf to the Liberals. The intellectuals may have been sullen at times about being committed to Nixon when it seemed that Reagan winds might begin blowing. But they never became mutinous.

Nixon handled the Rockefeller push by beating it back. We handled the Reagan threat by getting in on the ground floor with the more important chivalric southerners and the key conservative intellectuals before Clifton White could get into the act. The lesson is an old one: if you want to be President, you must dare greatly in seeking the job. The office doesn't seek the man, though, as Nixon has said, the tides of history and the willing man may coincide.

## Flower Garden

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I leave you with this thought: "Always look for the beautiful, and there you will see the touch of God."

So long, gardeners

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