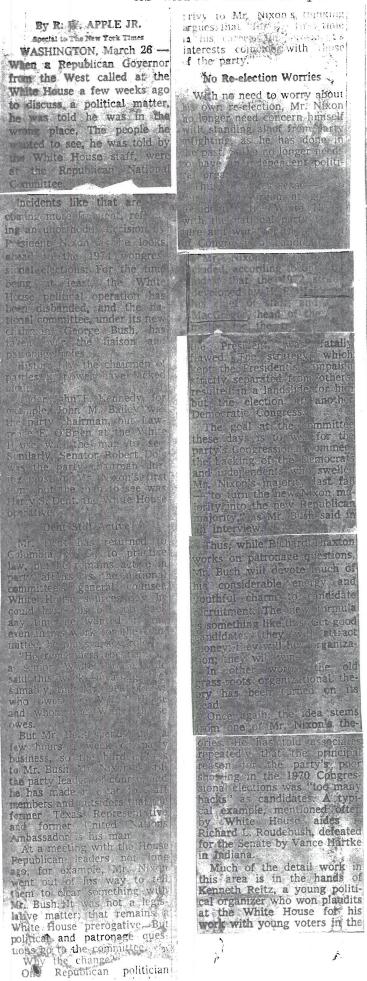
Nixon Gives the G.O.P. Chairman More Authority As White House Prepares for 1974 National Elections.



1972 campaign, following his successful handling of the 1970 senatorial campaign of Senator Wilham E. Brock of Tennessee.

Mr. Reitz's association with Mr. Brock and then will Mr. Bush, and their common association with James Alliso and other, professional organization. other professional organizer, has led to complaints about a "Southern Mafia" in Republican politics. A Middle Western party chairman, for example, says that "it's all a front for the 1976 Brock campaign for President, and everyone knows To Which one White House official replied, incredulously: That's a power center?" The new structure notwith-tanding, there are still dis-satifactions among some party regulars. "You can't even get a telephone call returned from the White House unless you're a sutherner," said L. Keith Brien, the Indiana national, mriteeman "They don't e diddly dama for us or for the state chairmen, either."

Others including some in the White House, are worried about what they regard as a tendency to entorce ideological purity from the top down.

Mr. Bush conceded that that was one of his problems. Does the committee decide early on whom it supports, he asked, and then try to head off primaries? How much does it rely to local fudgment of the state political scene?

"There are a lot of mine fields I have to walk through Mr. Bush said. "We have a lot of manswered questions. Bush so far, we have had supe." cooperation from the White House staff, and we have more Congressmen and Governors in this effice in recent weeks than we've had in years." though he is a stanch loyalist. Mr. Bush apparently intends to stand up to the widely feared White House staff. Just after he took over, according to a colleague, the White House sent him the text of a letter with a peremptory note telling him to sign it and such orders have been forthcoming ince.