Stone Donated \$72,100 To 20 Candidates in '72

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W. Clement Stone disclosed yesterday that he contributed \$72,100 in seven states to 20 candidates last year in addition to the \$1.8 million he gave to President Nixon's re-election campaign.

The 20 candidates, including 13 from Stone's home state of Illinois, ran for the U.S. Senate, the House of Representatives and for state and local offices.

Stone, a Chicago insurance magnate and the President's top contributor, revealed Saturday that in 1970 he donated and loaned more than \$2 million to 42 Senate, House and gubernatorial candidates, plus numerous local candidates in Illinois.

On last year's list, all but Sen. Jennings Randolph (D-W.Va.) are believed to be Republicans. Randolph got \$6,000 for his re-election campaign.

Other incumbent senators listed by Stone were: Senate Minority Whip Robert P. Griffin (Mich.), \$5,000; John G. Tower (Tex.), \$2,500; Charles H. Percy (Ill.), \$10,250, and J. Caleb Boggs

(Del.). All but Boggs were re-elected.

The contributions to congressional candidates included \$100 to Rep. Philip M. Crane (III.), who was reelected; \$500 to Rep. Alan Steelman (Tex.), who won a first term, and the following unsuccessful candidates: Samuel H. Young, \$10,400; John J. Hoellen \$1,000, and Clark W. Fetridge, \$2,500, all of Illinois, and Francis X. Callahan (Calif.), \$250.

Stone also listed \$1,000 each for Illinois Gov. Richard Ogilvie, who lost a reelection bid, and John McLaughty, who sought the GOP nomination for governor of Vermont.

The remaining candidates ran for local offices in Illinois. One, Bernard Carey, got \$11,500.

Stone, whose personal fourtune was estimated at \$450 million in 1970 and 1971, revealed last week that since 1967 he has given nearly \$7 million to Republican causes, including \$2 million for Richard Nixon's 1968 campaign.