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**The President today announced his intention to nominate Will Hill Tankersley of Montgomery, Alabama to be Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs. He succeeds Dr. Theodore Marrs who resigned effective May 7, 1974, to become Special Assistant to the President.**

**Since 1958, Mr. Tankersley has been Vice President and Director of Sterne, Agee & Leach, Inc., a Montgomery, Alabama investment and banking firm.**

**He was born on February 10, 1928 in Montgomery, Alabama. He received his B. S. degree from the United States Military Academy in 1950 and his M. S. degree in Economics from Auburn University in 1970. He served in the United States Army from 1950 to 1958 as a Colonel.**

**He is a member of the Alabama Security Dealers Association and the Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce.**

**He is married to the former Theda Clark Ball and they have three children. They reside in Montgomery, Alabama.**

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