Yes! Nixon for President

We were more than mildly surprised by a couple of inquirers who wanted to know when The Times was going to endorse Richard M. Nixon for President.

When?

The Times has been endorsing Richard Nixon for years. We foresaw with approval in 1952 that he was likely to be the Republican Presidential candidate after President Eisenhower had served his constitutional eight years. We have often spoken our admiration for Mr. Nixon's record as a Vice President with unusual duties.

On July 26, while the Republican delegates in Chicago were meeting in their national convention, we said in this place:

"But in a time when the Presidential power is our quick reflexing sword and shield in a world of active, resourceful enemies, no platform can substitute for the man in the White House. The man should be Nixon, and the Republicans' only important business is to nominate him and an adequate running mate."

On July 28, the morning after the nomination, the leading editorial was headlined "Nixon for President!" and it said:

"He has what it takes and we believe he will be elected 35th President of the United States to the glory of his country."

By these signs and many others we thought we had made our position clear. The Times always tries to make its position clear. We do not temporize here at Spring and 1st Sts. If we have a conviction we tell the readers.

As we've been saying for eight years, we endorse Richard Nixon for President without reservation.