

# PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

**LARGER NAVY CERTAIN MILLS' SURPRISING SPEECH TO RE-LOCATE WORKERS FIGHT POLITICAL LAWYERS HUGE HOME SHORTAGE JAPS TO CONFER NEW MONEY BILL TO STOP THE CWA**

With full Administration support, the construction of ships necessary to bring the American Navy to treaty strength seems to be assured. Last week the House passed the Vinson bill, authorizing the expenditure of nearly half a billion dollars in a five-year program, which includes 1,184 new airplanes.

Opposition to the bill was slight, as the largest naval building program ever authorized by an American Congress went through. Particularly pointed was the declaration of California Democrats, with plain references to Japan. In addition to naval construction now being financed by the PWA, the new measure would authorize 65 destroyers, one airplane carrier, thirty submarines, and six cruisers.

Somewhat significant is the recent address of Ogden L. Mills, former Secretary of the Treasury, a leading member of President Hoover's cabinet, and often mentioned as a possible Republican nominee for President in 1936. Mr. Mills, speaking in Kansas, attacked the fundamentals of the "New Deal" and, somewhat surprisingly, advocated a modification of tariffs and the abandonment of "isolation and intense nationalism."

Mr. Mills himself recognized that these might be strange words "coming from an orthodox Republican," but insisted that he never understood that the system of protection intended the "destruction of our commerce with the rest of the world and the sacrifice of the efficient farmer to save the inefficient manufacturer."

Convinced that thousands of workers are now stranded in districts where large industries have closed and that for many of them there is no hope of employment in their former occupations, Harry L. Hopkins, Relief Administrator, is planning to start moving these stranded people to communities where new opportunities exist. It is estimated that one million people are without reasonable prospect of future employment in certain coal and copper mining districts in industrial centers, and on farms teams playing very carefully and where land is so poor that no one can make a living on it.

President Roosevelt's recent outspoken attack on political lawyer members has produced a great demand for executive legislation, although many congressmen believe the movement is "out of control." For some years, the public has been aware of the tendency on

the part of many connected with the political party in power to move to Washington. Particularly noticeable was this apparent in the frequent opening of law offices by prominent party leaders. Regardless of the individual, and no matter how conscientious his intentions, the fact was that because of political connections, certain interests delighted to employ attorneys apparently able to reach the ears of office-holders.

Pending bills include that of Senator Vandenberg to limit the membership in national committees, and Senator Norris' proposal to combine such legislation with a drastic anti-lobbying bill. Postmaster-General Farley is credited with the idea that small office-holders in the states should not be affected but that legislation should strictly regulate political lawyers and office-holders in Washington.

The Administration attitude was stated, it is assumed, by Senator Byrnes, who insisted that legislation to bar department officials and members of party national committees from lobbying for appropriations should apply to members of Congress.

There is a strong probability that the "principle" of Senator Johnson's bill to prohibit financial transactions with nations in default on their war debts will be endorsed by the Administration. It is presumed that the ban would apply to nations in default on debts to the government, as distinct from sums owed to individuals or corporations, and that it would restrict foreign individuals and corporations but not government corporations, because this might interfere with the operations of the two billion dollar stabilization fund.

Convinced from a recent survey that there is a shortage between 700,000 and 800,000 homes throughout the country, it is predicted that Congress will be asked to broaden the home financing program so that the Home Owners' Loan Corporation will be able to lend money, not only for the prevention of foreclosure but also for the improvement and modernization of homes.

Mr. John H. Fahey, chairman of the Home Loan Bank Board, says that only 50,000 new homes were built last year as compared to the normal average of 400,000 per year. By assisting in the construction, and improvement of homes, it is expected to increase employment in the building trades, which are now twenty per cent of normal.

In a recent conversation in the Japanese Diet, the Naval Minister officially confirmed the report that Japan would ask for a better naval ratio. This move is certain to be opposed by the United States, where Secretary Swanson has already recorded himself.

Meanwhile the State Department is keeping a close silence regarding its plans, but recent legislation reveals a determination to build a treaty navy without regard to what other countries may do. From Tokyo also comes news revealed in questions before the Diet, that a conference would be sought with the United States to "adjust the many complicated questions" which will arise in 1935 when the next naval conference is to be held.

As expected, the President's money bill went through the Senate by an overwhelming vote, being supported by 55 Democrats, 10 Republicans and one Farmer-Laborite. Against the measure was recorded 22 Republicans and Senator Glass, Democrat. The bill follows the general terms previously outlined. Surprising was the strength shown on the amendment offered by Senator Wheeler for a substantial remonetization of silver, which was defeated by the margin of two votes—45-43.

Subsequently, recognizing the strength of the silver group, an amendment was accepted authorizing the Treasury to make full currency use of silver on hand and newly mined silver acquired in accordance with the London agreement.

While protests continue to pour into Washington against the discontinuance of CWA activities on May 1st, the President is apparently convinced that this should be done. Observers predict that if the spending goes on it will mean that national recovery is far off and that inevitably the government will have to print money to pay its bills and we will have inflation on a large scale.

Administration leaders, however, hope that by May 1st recovery will have put agriculture and private industry in a position to absorb many workers and that the President will be able to begin his plan to balance the budget within a year or so. Meanwhile, the President has asked \$600,000,000 for direct relief during the remainder of this fiscal year and the next year, and \$350,000,000 for CWA operations.

## LESTER MIMS, LOCAL BOY, HURT IN WRECK

Raleigh, Feb. 8.—Lester Mims, Rocky Mount youth who attends N. C. State college, was in Rex hospital here today with severe injuries received late last night when the car he was driving crashed with a truck at Hillsboro street and Oberlin Road here.

Hospital attaches said it was not believed Mims was seriously hurt, though he suffered injuries about the head, chest and thighs. D. M. Howard, driver of the truck, suffered minor bruises.

The accident was one of three of a serious nature in or near Raleigh late yesterday and last night. Floyd Laws, a Negro, was fatally injured when struck by a truck as he walked along the Garnet road near here and James Stewart, a Negro, was in a critical condition today from injuries received when a Norfolk Southern train late last night demolished the truck he was driving across a grade crossing near here.

A committee to make plans for marketing home grown beef locally in the county has been organized in Richmond County.

## MEN'S BIBLE CLASS DECIDES TO OBSERVE MEMORIAL SUNDAY

Decision to set aside one Sunday in each year as a memorial day for deceased members of the Men's Bible class of the South Rocky Mount Methodist church was reached in the monthly business meeting of that group held on Thursday evening, Feb. 1, at the home of W. D. Rice, on South Church street, according to the announcement today of C. B. Peacock, president of the class.

The session was a regular monthly one and committees were selected at the time to arrange for the annual memorial Sunday. The next business session of the class will be held on March 1, in the South Rocky Mount Methodist church, it was stated.

## LOCAL YOUTHS WIN HONORS IN DEBATE

Additional honors have come to local youths studying at Wake Forest college.

Jack Murchison and W. R. Dixon, of this city, were winners in the recent Founder's Day debate at Wake Forest when the question of whether the grant of additional authority to the president of the United States is sound principle. The two young men represented the negative side of the question, and were warmly applauded for the manner in which they presented their arguments.

Year's cancer discoveries are held most important to date.

## LEGAL ADVERTISING

**NOTICE**  
In the Superior Court  
NORTH CAROLINA,  
Edgecombe County.

Emma Jordan Williams  
vs.  
Starley Williams

The defendant Starley Williams will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Edgecombe County, North Carolina, for the purpose of having the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between the plaintiff and the defendant dissolved and an absolute divorce granted to the plaintiff; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the office of the clerk of the superior court of said county in the courthouse in Tarboro, N. C., on the 7th day of March, 1934, and answer or demur to the complaint filed by the plaintiff in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded therein or in said complaint. This February 1, 1934.

A. T. WALSTON,  
Clerk Superior Court Edgecombe County, North Carolina.  
J. L. Simmons, Attorney.  
(4t—F9 to M2)

**NOTICE**  
Under the powers contained in a deed of trust given by Henry Roberts and wife, Polly Roberts, to J. P. Bunn, Trustee, recorded in Book 273, page 590, Edgecombe County Registry, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the Peoples Bank and Trust Company corner, in the City of Rocky Mount, North Carolina, on Saturday, March 3rd, 1934, at 12 o'clock M., the following described property:

Fronting 60 feet on Albemarle Avenue and running back 150 feet, lying between lots Nos. 67 and 33 and east of lot No. 74. The said premises being lot No. 75 of Block C in the survey of the real estate of John H. Logan, Trustee, in and adjoining said town, which survey is recorded in Book 75, pages 570 and 571, Edgecombe County Registry, to which reference is hereby made for further description and identification, and being the identical lot conveyed by Paul Gorham, Trustee, to Henry Roberts and wife, Polly Roberts, by deed recorded in Book 218, page 344, Edgecombe County Registry. This the 29th day of Jan., 1934.  
J. P. BUNN, Trustee.  
(4t—F-2 to F-23)

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NORTH CAROLINA,  
Edgecombe County.  
Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain deed of trust given by W. T. Rose and wife, Fannie E. Rose to R. T. Fountain, Trustee, on May 1st, 1932, and recorded in book 306, page 357, Edgecombe County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured as therein provided, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on Saturday, March 3rd, 1934 at or about the hour of twelve o'clock Noon, in front of the Daniel's Building, corner of Tarboro and Washington streets, city of Rocky Mount, the following described real estate situate in the county and State aforesaid and bounded as follows:

Being located in the city of Rocky Mount. Beginning at a marked corner between lot No. 4 and the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad along Cokey road 65 ft. North of center of Norfolk & Carolina Railroad on said Cokey road; thence northerly along Cokey Road, 77.8 ft. to corner of Lot No. 3; thence along Cokey Road northerly 77.8 ft. to Planters Street; thence easterly 173.6 feet to corner of Lot No. 23; thence easterly along Planters street to West corner of Lot No. 24; thence southerly along line of lots Nos. 23 and 24, 122.5 ft. to corner of Lots Nos. 23 and 24 with the right of way of the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad; thence westerly along the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad right of way, 50 ft. to southeast corner of Lot No. 4; thence westerly along Norfolk & Carolina Railroad right of way 79 ft. to the beginning, intending to embrace and include lots Nos. 4, 3 and 23 in the plat of said Mill Plaza property of Dr. M. E. Braswell, recorded in Book 150, page 83, Edgecombe County Registry, being the identical lots conveyed in the following deeds: Dr. M. E. Braswell and wife to Farmers Supply Company, Book 167, page 195, Farmers Supply Company to J. B. Ramsey, Book 190, page 361, J. B. Ramsey, Trustee, to R. E. Whitehurst and C. E. Hinton, Trustees, Book 200, page 46, of said Registry, to which deeds reference is made for a further description and which was this day conveyed to the said J. J. Thorne and J. H. Lanier by R. E. Whitehurst and C. E. Hinton, Trustees, and others, and which was conveyed by J. J. Thorne and wife and J. H. Lanier and wife to W. T. Rose by deed bearing date Jan. 20, 1923, recorded in book 235, page 452, Edgecombe Registry. This the 29th day of January, 1934.  
R. T. FOUNTAIN, Trustee.  
BEN. E. FOUNTAIN, Atty.  
(4t—F-2 to F-23)

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NORTH CAROLINA,  
Edgecombe County.  
Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain deed of trust given by W. F. Parkerson and wife, Kathleen M. and N. S. Bennett and wife Ruth D. to R. T. Fountain, Trustee, on February 1st, 1931, and recorded in book 309, page 374, Edgecombe County Registry, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured as therein provided, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash on Saturday, March 3rd, 1934, at or about the hour of twelve o'clock Noon, in front of the Daniel's Building, corner of Tarboro and Washington streets, city of Rocky Mount, the following described real estate situate in the county and State aforesaid and bounded as follows:

Being known as lot No. 37, in Block C, as shown on a survey of the Hargrove Property, which survey and map is recorded in Book 128, page 491, Edgecombe County Registry, to which reference is hereto made, being located on the corner of Branch and Midway Streets, said lot having been allotted to H. L. Bulluck in the division of his grandfather, the late Samuel Hargrove's estate, and was conveyed by H. L. Bulluck to R. C. Worsley by deed recorded in Book 156, page 344; and having been conveyed to James R. Worsley by R. C. Worsley a one-fourth

interest by deed recorded in Book No. 239, page 272, Edgecombe Registry; the other three-fourths interest by deed recorded in Book No. 243, page 291. This the 29th day of January, 1934.  
R. T. FOUNTAIN, Trustee.  
BEN. E. FOUNTAIN, Atty.  
(4t—F-2 to F-23)

## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of James Pittman, deceased, late of Edgecombe County, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before Jan. 26, 1935, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate, please make immediate payment. This the 26th day of January, 1934.  
GEORGE W. STRICKLAND, administrator of James Pittman, deceased.  
W. S. WILKINSON, Attorney.  
(6t—J-26 to M-2)

## NOTICE

In the Superior Court of NORTH CAROLINA, Edgecombe County.  
MAYE BELLE WIGGINS vs. ALBERT CLEVELAND WIGGINS  
The defendant, Albert Wiggins, will take notice of the action entitled as above commenced in the Superior Court of Edgecombe County, the plaintiff being to obtain from the defendant an absolute divorce from the bonds of matrimony on ground and for the reasons are fully set out in the plaintiff's complaint filed in this action, the said defendant is hereby required to appear before the signed Clerk of the Superior Court of Edgecombe County, at office, in Tarboro, North Carolina, on the 1st day of March, 1934, answer the said complaint, or relief therein prayed for will be granted. This 29th day of January, 1934.  
A. T. WALSTON,  
Clerk Superior Court  
(4t—F-2 to F-23)

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