

Mills' Speech Is Seen As Bid For GOP Nomination

Secretary of Treasury Attacks Present Recovery Program

HOOPER NOT CANDIDATE

Mills Said To Hold Very Closely To Conservative Republican Doctrines

Washington, Jan. 30.—The official comment on Ogden L. Mills' broadside against some of the tendencies of the Roosevelt era raised the question tonight of just who and how many are potential candidates for Republican presidential nomination.

The two Democratic leaders in Congress, Senator Robinson of Arkansas and Representative Byrnes of Tennessee, said they saw Mills' Kansas speech of last night a rather definite indication he would run for the Republican nomination two years hence.

Contributing to the question was the comment of one of the other front-stage figures in the party, Representative Snell, a fellow resident of Mills in New York state and leader of the minority party in the house.

Small Recalls Speech "You may recall," Snell told reporters after saying Mills' speech was a splendid piece of constructive criticism.

Snell also waved aside the idea that the speech stamped Mills as a candidate for the nomination, saying it was "too early to talk about presidential possibilities."

The national party chairman, Everett Sanders, steered a course clear of presidential possibilities in his comment.

"I thought," said Sanders, "Mr. Mills' address showed a very thoughtful analysis of the situation—that it was a forceful statement of the minority views."

Says Speech Moderate "It was," he said, "characterized by moderation, which the country likes to see of men prominent in public life."

The characterization by Robinson and Byrnes of Mills as a candidate brought to the surface an old stratum of political thought. Even during the 1932 campaign, when the then secretary of the treasury carried a large part of the stumping load for Mr. Hoover, there was much talk of a Mills 1936 candidacy.

Nevertheless those who talk of 1936 even today do so with many reservations. In addition to a common belief that such discussions are premature, there are other elements to be considered—the question as to whether Mills is still another New Yorker, Representative Wadsworth, of Senator McNary of Oregon and of Pat Hurley, former war secretary.

And there is still another factor. Things are changing rapidly, the Democratic administration has so much of its record still to make, and the question of recovery or continued depression is so closely interwoven with politics that few will make any predictions.

Discount Hoover's Trip For the same reason, political leaders discount the inevitable rumors that Herbert Hoover's soon-to-be-taken trip east has a connection with 1936.

To begin with, all of Mr. Hoover's intimates in Washington say he is not even considering the question of running again. They add that, if he had decided to run, he would not become active now, but would wait and reappear on the stage if and when there was an unmistakable recession in the popularity and power of the present administration.

Mills was Hoover's chief adviser on financial policies, even before the departure of Andrew W. Mellon from the treasury and Washington. Up to now Mills has been counted generally as a steadfast lieutenant in the Hoover group. His thrusts last night at "regimentation"—the organization of industry for uniform action and regulation in place of "rugged individualism" played on a fundamental Hoover-conservative tenet often emphasized by Mr. Hoover in 1933.

Reviews Old Policies Likewise, in his expressions of concern over the national credit emergency stability, Mills was much as he said in support of Hoover two years ago. To (Continued on page five)

Gets President's Help



Washington... Steve Vasiliakos is no longer sad. President Roosevelt "went to the front" for him when he was ordered to desist selling peanuts and popcorn at the corner of the White House grounds where he'd sold them for 29 years. The police say Steve can stay.

Home of R. Don Laws Is Burned

Large Moravian Falls Residence and Contents Is Burned To Ground

The large residence of R. Don Laws, located at Moravian Falls, was completely destroyed by fire early yesterday morning when fire caught on the roof and quickly ate its way through the wooden building.

All the household furnishings and contents of the house with the exception of a radio, piano, living room suite and a few personal effects were burned.

The fire was discovered about 7:00 yesterday morning, but had gained such headway that there was no chance to save the residence.

The residences of Shafter Laws and W. C. Hendren, located on either side of the burning residence, caught fire several times, and the fire fighters were kept busy preventing the destruction of the homes.

The cause of the fire had not been determined yesterday. Mr. Laws stated yesterday that he plans to rebuild on the same site in the near future. Mr. Laws is publisher of the Yellow Jacket, nationally known publication, and is one of the county's best known citizens.

Lions Club Directors To Meet This Evening

Directors of the Lions Club will be entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. McNeill this evening at 7 o'clock. This will be the regular February meeting and Dr. McNeill will be host.

Apply To The Civil Service Commission

The Journal-Patriot has received a number of requests for information about the necessary qualifications for government positions and for those interested is called to the fact that the necessary blanks and information can be obtained by writing the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Illiterate and Nursery Schools Are Being Established In County

Schools for illiterate adults and children of kindergarten age are being organized in the county, according to information obtained from Prof. C. B. Eller, superintendent of the Wilkes county school system.

One school for adult illiterates is already holding classes at Park View, while a nursery school is now operating at Mountain View. The colored people also have a school at Wilkesboro.

Eshelman Named As Director of New Mill Group

Southern Hosiery Manufacturers' Association Organized at Asheville

HUFFMAN IS PRESIDENT

P. W. Eshelman, president of the Wilkes Hosiery Mills, was elected as a director of the Southern Hosiery Manufacturers' Association which was organized at Asheville Saturday.

Officers were elected, a charter and by-laws were adopted at the meeting of approximately 125 hosiery mill operators.

T. R. Durham, formerly of Knoxville, Tenn., was elected executive secretary of the association. His headquarters will be established in Charlotte.

Other officers of the new organization are: R. O. Huffman, of Morganton, president; J. M. Berry, of Rome, Ga., vice president and chairman of the seamstress hose division; T. J. Wallner, vice president and chairman of the full fashioned hose division, and A. D. Strauss, Jr., of Columbus, Ga., treasurer.

The new association was organized to meet the particular needs of southern hosiery manufacturers, whose labor and material problems are different from those in other sections of the nation, Mr. Durham explained. It will not be the purpose of the association, he continued, to withdraw from the National Hosiery Manufacturers' association but rather to work through and with the national organization as a subsidiary. Differences in the provisions of the NRA hosiery mill code for mills in the south created problems peculiar to this section.

Directors for the new association were also elected as follows: C. W. Gaddy, Albemarle, N. C.; J. C. McEwan, Burlington; F. S. Wilcox, Union, S. C.; H. T. Bryan, Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn.; Harold Lamb, Knoxville, Tenn.; J. K. Voehlinger, Greensboro; Clarence G. Burton, Lynchburg, Va.; W. W. Lancaster, Spartanburg, S. C.; G. C. Harrelson, Princeton, N. C.; R. E. Davis, Fort Payne, Ala.; R. T. Amos, High Point; Garnett Andrews, Rossville, Ga.; W. H. McLelland, New Orleans, La.; and P. W. Eshelman, North Wilkesboro.

States embraced in the association include all states from Maryland south and from Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma, east.

Mr. Eshelman was accompanied to Asheville by Mrs. Eshelman.

New Furniture Store To Open

Mark Down Furniture Store Is Being Opened Up On Tenth Street

The Mark Down Furniture Store is the name of a new business enterprise which is being opened in the F. D. Forester building located at the corner of "B" and Tenth streets.

The building has been remodeled and the interior repainted, giving it an attractive appearance and providing commodious quarters for the new business.

Mr. Avery Whittington is manager of the new store. He stated yesterday that the store will be opened to the public Saturday.

A select line of furniture is arriving and is being arranged for display. When all the new stock arrives, the Mark Down Furniture Store will have one of the most complete lines in this section, Mr. Whittington said.

The public is cordially invited to pay the new store a visit and inspect the new stock.

Heavyweights Again



New York... European heavyweights return for new wars in American rings. Primo Carnera, Italy, (above) World Champion, and Max Schmeling, Germany, (below) former title holder, landing here last week. Carnera is now in Miami where he meets Tommy Loughran February 22. Schmeling's opponent has not yet been picked.

Business Census Workers To Begin Work Immediately

Supervisor Thurman and His Assistant Here Yesterday On Project

MEN ARE INSTRUCTED

All Information Furnished By Business Men Is Kept Confidential

The four appointees named recently to take a business census in Wilkes county begin their work today and for the next four or five weeks will visit every business institution in the county for the purpose of securing the information desired by the government.

H. J. Thurman, of Greensboro, supervisor of the second district which includes Wilkes, and his assistant, F. L. Young, were here yesterday to confer with the census takers and instruct them preparatory to beginning their work.

The men who start work today are Sam Grier, of Moravian Falls, Jay Brookshire, of Wilkesboro, Woodrow Absher, of North Wilkesboro, and Clarence J. Hendren, of Pores Knob.

In an interview with the Journal-Patriot representative yesterday afternoon, Mr. Thurman pointed out that the information secured by the census workers is absolutely confidential and that every person handling this information is sworn not to divulge any of the facts obtained under heavy penalty.

It is very important that business men co-operate to the fullest extent, Mr. Thurman stated. In connection with the business census, Mr. Thurman made the following statement:

"All information obtained will be held in strict confidence by the government, but through the basic data to be supplied by the census, business men should be able to make comparative studies."

Former Driver of Prohibition Auto Found With Liquor

John F. Vanhoy Is Arrested With 22 Gallons of Liquor In Yadkin County

FILLS BOND FOR \$500

John F. Vanhoy, a former driver for prohibition officers in this district, was arrested by Yadkin county officers at Brooks Cross Roads with a cargo of whiskey Saturday.

The automobile and 22 gallons of whiskey were confiscated and Vanhoy was taken to Yadkinville where he filled bond of \$500.

Vanhoy is a native of the Ronda section of the county, but has been residing at Salisbury since he was released as driver for the prohibition officers last year when most of the officers were furloughed. He is well known here and in other parts of the district.

McDuffie After Nomination For Post of Solicitor

Local Attorney Makes Formal Announcement of His Candidacy

TO OPPOSE J. R. JONES

F. J. McDuffie, well known practicing attorney of this city, issued a formal announcement of his candidacy for solicitor this week.

Mr. McDuffie's announcement reads as follows: "For sometime my friends in this district have urged me to make the race for Solicitor in the Seventeenth Judicial District, and after due consideration, I have decided to run for such office. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Solicitor on the Republican ticket in the Seventeenth Judicial District of North Carolina, and I shall appreciate the help and support of all of my friends and of the voters in the June Primary, 1934, and pledge myself, if I am nominated and elected, that I shall at all times endeavor to do my duty in said office."

The 17th Judicial district is composed of Wilkes, Avery, Mitchell, Alexander, Yadkin and Davie counties and the present solicitor is John R. Jones who has served in this capacity since Johnson J. Hayes resigned to accept appointment as judge of the middle federal district of United States court.

Attorney McDuffie is the first candidate to announce for the Republican solicitor nomination. Solicitor Jones has not made any statement relative to his intentions, but it is generally understood that he will ask for reelection.

Mrs. Jarvis Dies Near Wilkesboro

Funeral Held At Shady Grove Church; She Was 88 Years of Age

Mrs. Martha N. Jarvis, one of the oldest residents of the county, died at the home of her son, T. B. Jarvis, five miles west of Wilkesboro, Tuesday at 12:45 a. m.

She was born April 2, 1845 and was, therefore, 88 years, 9 months and 28 days of age.

Funeral services were conducted from Shady Grove Baptist church yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock by Rev. Isaac Watts. Interment was in the church cemetery. A brief service was held at the residence prior to the church service.

The floral offering was beautiful and attested to the esteem in which Mrs. Jarvis was held by her friends and acquaintances.

Surviving are her husband, R. F. Jarvis, and the following children: W. F. Jarvis, of Kings Creek; J. R. Jarvis, of Bingham Canyon, Utah; T. B. Jarvis, of Wilkesboro; H. D. Jarvis, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. J. E. C. Gilreath, of Taylorsville, and Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, of Millers Creek.

Forest Fire At McGrady Brought Under Control

The forest fire which burned over several hundred acres of timber land near McGrady Saturday, Sunday and Monday was brought under control by 50 C. Camp boys who cut a fire trail around the fire where it was likely to spread. Another contingent of 20 boys worked there yesterday and the snow this morning completely extinguished the fire. The damage, a large portion of which was to the T. B. Finley bankrupt estate, was considerable.

Birthday Ball In City Nets \$112 For the Warm Springs Foundation

Approximately 200 loyal enthusiasts braved near zero weather Tuesday night to attend the Roosevelt Birthday Ball held at the armory of the National Guard here.

James M. Anderson, treasurer of the local committee, reported late yesterday afternoon that the North Wilkesboro gift to the Warm Springs Foundation totaled \$112, this being the amount raised over and above expenses.

The ball proved to be a delightful affair in every respect, despite the cold weather. A square dance, with P. M. Williams calling the figures, furnished

COMING TO N. C.



Congressman Harold McGugin, of Coffeyville, Kansas, will deliver the principal address at the fifth annual Lincoln Day dinner for North Carolina Republicans at Greensboro February 12.

James A. McCoy Passes In City

Funeral To Be Held This Morning At 11:30; Burial Near Charlotte

James Albert McCoy, little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McCoy, of this city, died at Hotel Wilkes yesterday shortly after noon of a throat ailment following an illness of five hours. He was stricken ill at 7 o'clock yesterday morning and his death was a distinct shock to friends of the little fellow.

Funeral service will be conducted this morning at 11:30 o'clock from the Presbyterian church by Rev. C. W. Robinson, pastor, and Rev. B. M. Lackey, of Lenoir, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church. Burial will take place in St. Mark's Episcopal church cemetery north of Charlotte this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. John Long Jackson, rector of St. Martin's in Charlotte and St. Mark's, will be in charge of the service at the grave.

Palbearers will be R. G. Finley, A. F. Kilby, Dr. Fred C. Hubbard, Gordon Finley, W. W. Watt, Jr., J. B. Watt, Dr. T. M. McCoy and F. H. McCoy.

The flowerbearers will be Miss Emily McCoy's Sunday school class as follows: Margaret McNeill, Marcella Pendley, Kate Ogilvie, Elizabeth Cashion, Daisy Mead and Mildred Finley.

James was born August 4, 1931 and would, therefore, have been 2 years and 6 months of age had he lived until Monday.

The little fellow had many friends in the city and was especially popular with the traveling men who stop regularly at Hotel Wilkes, of which his father is manager.

Besides his parents, he is survived by one sister, Emily Glay as McCoy, and two brothers, J. B. Jr. and Robert Watt McCoy.

Wilkes CWA Staff Sends Gift To Warm Springs

A Queen Anne chair, upholstered in antique gold, was the birthday remembrance of the Wilkes CWA staff, headed by Mrs. G. G. Foster, county director, for the Warm Springs White House. The chair was manufactured by the Home Chair company, of this city, and was shipped this week.

The telegram sent to President Roosevelt by the CWA staff follows: "We want to add our sincere wishes for much happiness on your birthday. As a token of our appreciation for what your program has meant to Wilkes county, we are sending you a chair by express."

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Hearing Will Be Held Saturday In Mystery Murder

Coroner's Jury To Conduct Fourth Inquiry In Miss Childress' Death

SOLICITOR IS ACTIVE

Probe To Be Held At the Courthouse In Wilkesboro At 10 O'clock

Coroner S. A. Rash and doctor John B. Jones will conduct a fourth coroner's hearing in the Childress death case this morning at 10 o'clock in the courthouse in Wilkesboro.

Questioned yesterday afternoon regarding developments in the case, Solicitor Jones said some new evidence had been discovered, but that he was not yet ready to disclose its nature. The solicitor said the hearing Saturday will bring to light some startling facts that have been unearthed in the investigation made by the investigators.

The latest known development of importance was the arrest Sunday night of Mrs. Luther Tilley on a warrant charging her with the murder. Although official findings have not been released, it is reliably reported that Mrs. Tilley's handwriting is very similar to the handwriting of the note purported to have been written by Leoda Childress, who was found shot to death in the home of her foster-parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Tilley, near Bebas, on December 30.

The report is current that all the experts are convinced that Miss Childress did not write the note.

While ten persons have been arrested and questioned with reference to the death of Miss Childress, only Mrs. Tilley is directly charged with the murder. Andrew Smoot, reported co-swearer of the dead girl, was freed last week, although he is still under bond as a material witness. Smoot returned to his work at Schoolfield, Va., but said he would appear as a witness anytime he was sent for.

Solicitor Jones has been very active this week in the case. Every angle is being studied with a view to filling in the weak spots in the case against Mrs. Tilley.

Luther Tilley and Winfield Stanley are in jail in connection with the six-year-old alleged murder of Andrew Eldridge, but neither is under arrest in the Childress case.

A hearing in the Eldridge case is scheduled to be held before Magistrate A. E. Spainhower tomorrow, although the exact hour could not be learned yesterday.

Solicitor Jones expressed the opinion late yesterday that the case is near a solution.

Mrs. Tilley was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Hill Cox, brother-in-law of the slain girl. It is recalled that a shoe box full of letters written by Miss Childress to her sister were destroyed when the Cox residence near this city was burned.

Veteran Yadkin Minister Passes

Former Presiding Elder M. H. Vestal Dies At Age of 76; Funeral Today

Rev. M. H. Vestal, 76, superannuated Methodist minister, died at his home in Yadkinville at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon after an illness of several days.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Yadkinville Methodist church at 2 o'clock this afternoon by the Rev. I. L. Sharpe, pastor of the church, and the Rev. A. C. Gibbs, presiding elder of the Mt. Airy district. Interment will be in the Mackie cemetery there.

The Rev. Mr. Vestal, a member of the Western North Carolina Conference, Methodist Episcopal church, South, was a number of charges, the Methodist church at town in 1909, Concord Mountain. He retired from ministry about a year ago, was presiding elder of the Wilkesboro district at one time and was well known in the community.

In addition to his wife, Mrs. M. H. Vestal, he is survived by four children: Moravian Falls; Moravian Falls; Moravian Falls; and Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Estell Johnson, wife of Mr. J. M. Johnson, of Southern Pines, N. C., is also a daughter.