

Willkie Urges Revival of Old Farm Program

McNary-Haugen Bill Seen as Solution To Present Troubles

Philip Willkie, son of the late Republican presidential candidate, said today a proposal that died in the 1920's could help solve farm price problems and the world food shortage without resort to subsidies.

Mr. Willkie, chairman of the National Republican Senate Committee and an Indiana State Legislator, said the Republicans cannot expect to regain power by "yelling at the Brannan farm plan" and by criticizing Democratic mistakes.

He said in an interview that the McNary-Haugen bill, twice vetoed by former president Calvin Coolidge, would maintain farm prices without controls and without federal subsidies. The bill was one of the major issues of the 20's, but it never became law.

"I don't say it would be entirely workable without changes," Mr. Willkie said. "But its prospects are certainly much brighter than the subsidy programs now offered."

Seek Natural Level

The bill would have fixed prices for farm commodities in this country, but it would have let them fall to their natural level in the world market.

"The loss on the sales in the world market would be absorbed by an equalization fee deducted from the price of commodities sold here," Mr. Willkie said.

In addition to those obvious gains, we would avoid the necessity for crop controls at a time when we can use food as a weapon against the Russians."

Mr. Willkie said food is "the most valuable weapon we have to hold foreign peoples to our way of life."

"Our entire future in world affairs depends on our relationship with India and Indonesia and the countries of the Orient," Mr. Willkie said, "because if they come under Russian domination we are out of the Eurasian world except Western Europe."

"India and Indonesia are absolutely vital to us. Both need food. It is foolish to talk of cutting food production when we can use that food to such advantage."

Encourages Production

Mr. Willkie said the McNary-Haugen principle would remove the risk of agricultural bankruptcy, and yet encourage crop production instead of reduction.

The bill was co-authored by the late Sen. Charles L. McNary, R., Ore., who was the late Wendell Willkie's vice presidential running mate in 1940.

Young Willkie also proposed that study commissions patterned after the Hoover Commission investigate all phases of taxation and public health.

"We ought to review our whole tax policy—national, state and local—looking more toward an incentive policy where we reward people who put men to work and do our social benefit job through private enterprise and penalize those who are lazy with their money," he said.

He urged a full study of preventive medicine and health insurance in an effort to learn "where America wants to go."

Queen of Young Republicans and Some Runners-Up



These three lost out for the title of queen of the Young Republicans state rally yesterday in Claypool Hotel, but that didn't keep them from smiling for Lloyd P. Walton, Times staff photographer, one of three contest judges. They are (left to right) Nancy Gant of Franklin, Pat Hrupek of East Chicago, and Patty Graber of Washington, Ind. Mrs. Norma Mae Youngblood of Evansville took the title.

GOP 'Harmony' Session Turns Into Revolt

Indiana's Republican lawmakers staged a "harmony" party here yesterday that turned into an open revolt.

Top GOP legislators, meeting in the Lincoln Hotel with the State Central Committee to formulate a "clear cut policy" for the 1950 election campaign couldn't agree on "how to win an election."

But they committed the GOP to a platform of "no new taxes."

That issue set off fireworks that didn't end until a number of self-styled "Rebel Republicans" blasted the state leadership of the party.

The battle began in earnest when State Chairman Cale J. Holder proposed to name a committee to outline the party's platform.

State Sen. Wesley Malone, Clinton insurance man, opened the attack by denouncing the State Committee as the "mysterious group that always winds up writing the platform."

He hit at "professional politicians" and charged they were "a group of selfish lobbyists who ran the party."

"The Time Has Come"

"The time has come for the people to run the party," Sen. Malone asserted. He advocated a legislative platform committee to "make the issues they will have to defend."

"It's galling to run on the GOP platform sometimes," he said. "If we do, we get beaten. If we don't, we're called rebels."

State Rep. W. O. Hughes, Ft. Wayne attorney, joined the battle, declaring "It's time for a new party with new principles." Mr. Hughes, House minority leader, added that it is also time "to make honest people out of the Democrats."

State Rep. Russell Richardson, Lebanon, lawyer, started another small skirmish when he proposed

Grand Jury to Get 'Story of The Savior'

A Marion County grand jury this week will investigate charges involving an Indianapolis policeman with a burglary gang, Prosecutor George Dailey said last night.

Patrolman Jacques (Jack) Durham was suspended yesterday by Police Chief Edward Roush pending investigation of charges made by high officials in the department.

Allegedly named by a burglary suspect, the patrolman was said by his superiors to have "had contact with the burglary gang and associated with them despite the fact that he knew they were wanted by police."

Prosecutor Dailey, called to police headquarters by police officials, said he would present all the facts to the grand jury.



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Policeman's Shot Halts Fugitive

A policeman's warning shot halted a suspected thief last night after he made the mistake of fleeing past police headquarters.

Western Auto Co. officials said they say the man pocket something and run from the store, 405 E. Washington St. They pursued him south in Alabama St.

At Pearl St. he headed east past headquarters. Sgt. Alex Posey was standing in the rear doorway. Hearing the cries of pursuit, he fired once into the air. The man halted.

He was identified as Daniel Rollins, 34, of 315 N. New Jersey St. He was charged with suspected larceny. Police said he had a record of 11 previous arrests.

Friends Believe Fleming Will Run for U. S. Senate

By DAN KIDNEY
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3—Indiana Secretary of State Charles F. Fleming likes it here.

Having spent three days at the Mayflower Hotel this week-end, he wouldn't mind moving his office to Washington—say, in the Senate office building. Of course, that would be next year and there are such matters as a Democratic convention nomination and defeating the Republican nominee, who he says will be Sen. Homer E. Capehart.

The only quote he gave newspapermen on politics is this: "I will seek a second term as secretary of state next year."

But his friends point to other possibilities. First is the flood of mail coming daily to Mr. Fleming's State House office asking him to run for the U. S. Senate. It comes largely from labor unions or leaders of them. Democratic Party boosters also cite his long record in the state senate and successful organization of the secretary of state's office.

License Tag Link

The latter gives Mr. Fleming entry into each of the 92 counties. For he asked the Democratic chairman and organization there to select approved people to bid out the automobile license tags. That is big business and big politics. His pals would like to see him ride right into Washington on Indiana license plates.

At 37, he still has plenty of time. But with his secretaryship limited to two terms the testing time of his political power through his license tag setup would have to be 1950.

Here is the way Mr. Fleming's chances are rated by his friends. They figure that if the two Ft. Wayne candidates, former Sen. Samuel D. Jackson and Assistant U. S. Attorney General D. Jackson and Alex Campbell cancel each other out the convention will be casting around for someone else.

Popular With Labor

If it follows the Fair Deal formula with its farmer-labor base, a labor leader like Mr. Fleming, who was a vice president of the oil workers and a CIO state board member, might get the nod.

It is at that point also that Rep. Andrew Jacobs of Indianapolis enters the picture. He has considerable labor support. If he does well in his statewide debates with Sen. Capehart, he is sure to be a figure with which to reckon, it is pointed out.

So far all of the candidates, open and secret, are agreed on just one thing. That is if Gov. Henry F. Schricker changes his mind and wants to oppose Sen. Capehart himself, he can be nominated without a struggle.

Admits Slugging Second Woman

Youth Being Grilled In Other Beatings

A teen-age youth, captured after beating a woman Thursday night, last night admitted the robbery-slugging of another "East Side woman" on Nov. 10.

Detectives said Robert A. O'Brien, 19, of 416 N. Chester Ave., orally admitted slugging Mrs. Frances Harris, 38, of 1114 N. Parker Ave. He also grabbed her purse containing \$5.90.

O'Brien was seized Thursday night in the brutal beating of Mrs. Margaret Todd, 27, of 621 N. Grant Ave. He is charged with assault and battery with intent to rape.

Mrs. Harris' purse was found on the roof of a building in the 3700 block of E. 19th St., after

Murray Rejects Left-Wing Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (UP)—CIO President Philip Murray tonight rejected demands by two left-wing CIO unions that their future in the big national union be left up to a committee of prominent Americans. Mr. Murray told the two unions that, instead, committees of top CIO officials will try them on charges they are Communist-dominated. These committees were set up a month ago at the national CIO convention. Hearings are scheduled to start a week from Monday.

Ten CIO unions, with a total membership of about 500,000, have been accused of following the Communist party line rather than national CIO policies.

she was slugged. It contained 90 cents.

In his confession of slugging Mrs. Todd, O'Brien told police he had an "urge to hit women." Detectives have been grilling him in other recent attacks on women.

Appeal Planned By Mrs. Conrad

Faces Sentence Friday In Husband's Death

A manslaughter verdict against Mrs. Myrtle Conrad, 43-year-old grandmother convicted of fatally shooting her husband Claude, 53, will be appealed.

Miss Jessie Levy, attorney for the Indianapolis housewife who is facing a 2 to 21-year prison term as the result of her conviction Friday night, said she was making plans to file an appeal.

Mrs. Conrad was found guilty of manslaughter by a jury of five women and seven men after a sensational trial on first degree murder charges in Judge William D. Bain's court.

She was charged with the shooting during a domestic quarrel in the Conrad home at 635 N. Noble St., last Mar. 15.

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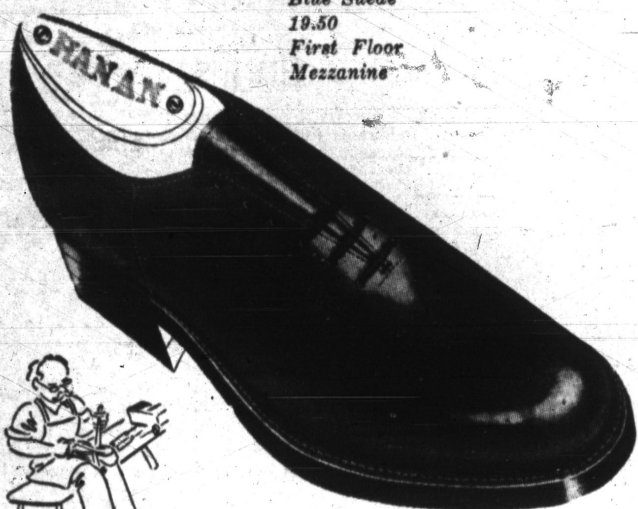
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