

The Mock Convention Report

Final Report

Convention Week

Hollings of South Carolina Opens Convention

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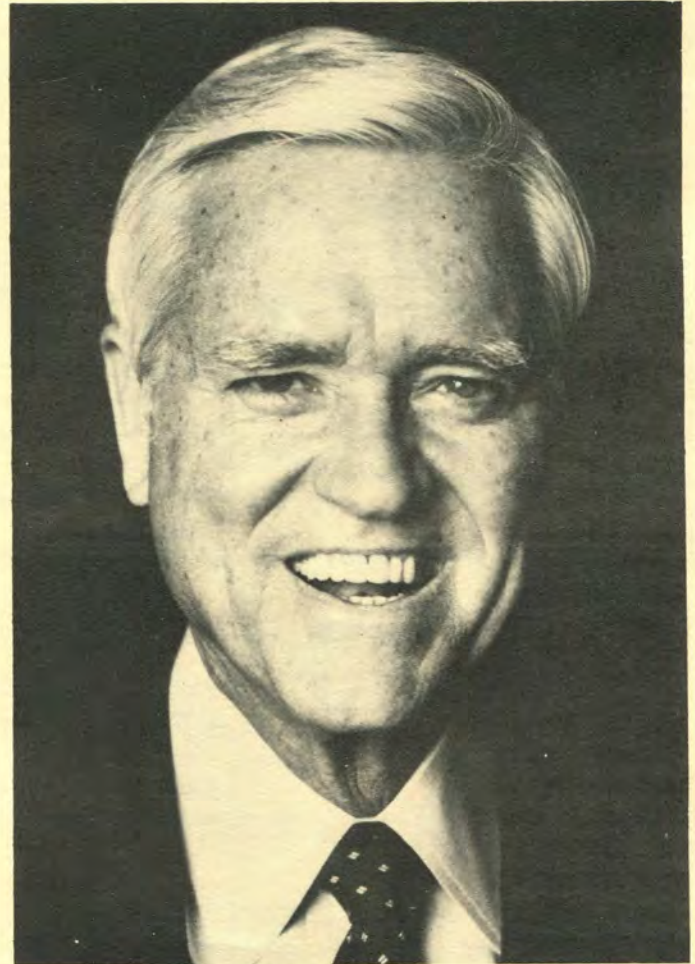
Former Democratic Presidential hopeful Senator Ernest "Fritz" Hollings of South Carolina will kick-off this year's Mock Democratic gathering.

Before he abandoned the race earlier this spring, many considered him to be the most "presidential" of all the candidates running. The colorful Charlestonian's career has been marked by a maverick approach. For instance, he was one of the very first Southern governors to endorse John F. Kennedy in 1960. Additionally, when other Southern governors, such as George Wallace of Alabama and Ross Barnett of Mississippi, were "standing in the schoolhouse door," Hollings moved his state away from segregation and arranged for the orderly integration of South Carolina colleges and universities.

For the past 17 years, Hollings has represented the Palmetto state in the United States Senate. There he has gained a reputation as being a thoughtful, hardworking representative and has earned the accolades of his colleagues on both sides of the aisle. Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker, a Republican from Tennessee, has referred to Hollings as "an achiever."

Hollings is generally seen as a moderate conservative on most issues. He is in favor of a balanced budget and has often criticized the Democratic Party for its failure to come up with any meaningful economic solutions. Hollings himself has called for an overall budget "freeze" which would fix taxes and spending at their present rates. Columnists with as varied views as George Will and Tom Wicker have referred to Hollings' plan as a "stroke of genius." However, the South Carolina Democrat is hard to pigeon-hole; he has supported social programs and joined with Senator Edward Kennedy and other liberals to defeat the Oil Depletion Allowance for major oil companies.

Hollings was born in Charleston in 1922 to a middle-class family which ended up losing virtually everything in the Great Depression. Many have attributed this upbringing as the major reason for Hollings' self-reliance and his activist



role. After attending public schools, he entered The Citadel, where he received his B.A. in 1942. While at The Citadel, Hollings says, he was "a sort of Bolshevik" and ended up doing quite a few walking tours. Immediately after his graduation, he served as a lieutenant in the Army during World War II. After the War, he entered law school at the University of South Carolina, from which he was graduated in 1947. Besides his stints as governor of and senator from South Carolina, Hollings has also served in the state's House of Representatives and as its Lieutenant Governor.

Hollings is married to the former Rita (Peatsy) Liddy. He has four children — Michael, Helen, Salley and Fritz — by a previous marriage.

As one of the finest and most colorful of all the Democrats, Hollings should be one of the highlights of this year's Mock Convention.

The Candidates- How They Stand:

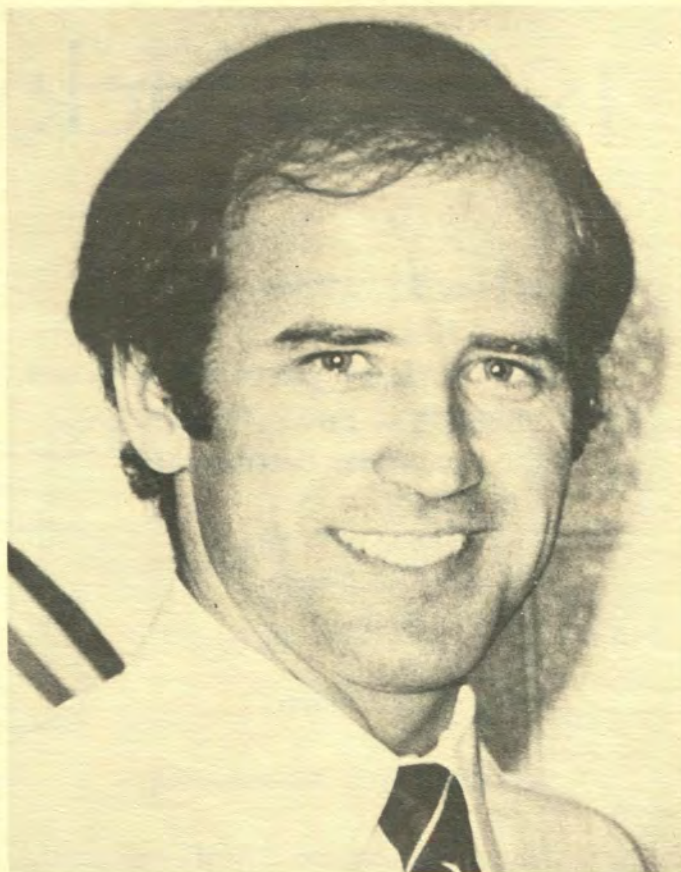
	MONDALE	HART	JACKSON
Economic & Domestic Issues:			
ERA	Favors	Favors	Favors
Abortion On Demand	Favors	Favors	Favors
Gov't Planned Industrial Policy	Favors	Against — favors free market	Favors
Domestic-content legislation	Favors	Against	N/A
Gov't Spending	Increase spending on education, environment and food programs Cut health care costs and farm subsidies	Increase spending on internal improvements and food programs Cut health care costs	Increase social and government entitlement programs Decrease defense spending
Defense & Foreign Policy:			
U.S.-Soviet Relations	Annual summits with both civilian and military leaders	Annual summits; resume arms talks	Favors diplomatic and cultural exchange
Arms Control	Favors mutually verifiable freeze, test ban and ban on anti-satellite weapons	Favors mutually verifiable freeze, reducing multiple warhead, land based systems and 6-month ban on all nuclear tests	Favors nuclear freeze, 6-month test ban and no first use of nuclear weapons
Defense	Against B-1 bomber and MX missile; spending increase of 4% per year.	Against B-1, MX, chemical weapons, nuclear submarines and aircraft carriers	Against B-1 and MX; decrease defense spending
Middle East	Strong supporter of Israel	Strong supporter of Israel	Supports Palestinian State
Central America	Link Salvadoran aid to land reform and civilian control of security forces; reduce forces in Honduras; end covert actions in Nicaragua	Remove American troops; end Salvadoran aid while death squads active; stop aid to Nicaraguan rebels	Remove troops from Honduras; end aid to Nicaraguan rebels; establish diplomatic relations with Cuba

Biden Delivers Friday Evening's Opening Address

Opening this year's second session is Delaware's Joseph Biden. The junior Senator is considered to have a bright future in the Democratic Party. Many party leaders feel that Biden would make an ideal candidate for president. In fact, Democratic pollster Patrick Caddell, now with the Hart campaign, prepared a report pointing out the weaknesses of the current Democratic leadership and urging Biden to make a run during 1984.

Biden was elected to the Senate in 1972, at the age of 29. He serves as the ranking Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, a position he obtained after Edward Kennedy stepped down to take the ranking minority seat on the Labor and Public Welfare Committee. One of Biden's major concerns on the Committee has been to limit the jurisdiction of federal courts in school busing cases. Biden also serves on the Foreign Relations Committee and is considered to be one of the Senate's leading foreign policy experts. He helped to lead the fight to obtain Senate ratification of the SALT II Treaty and in the process became an expert on strategic arms.

As a future leader of the Democratic Party, Biden is a perfect speaker for this year's Mock Convention. He has been described by *The Almanac of American Politics* as "...brash and aggressive, unashamed of his own ambitions and intelligent enough to realize them."

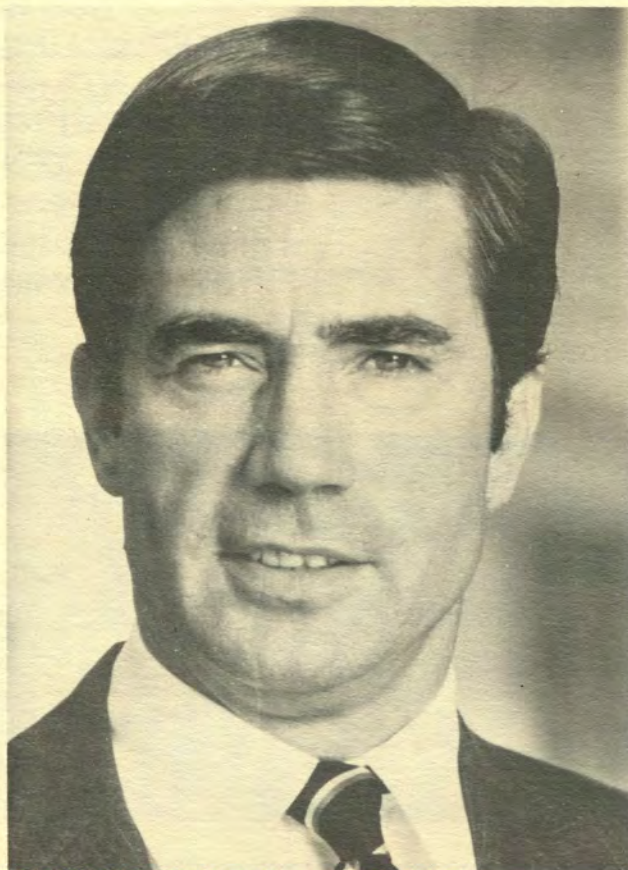


Welcome From the Commonwealth

Virginia Governor Charles S. "Chuck" Robb will welcome W&L Mock Conventioneers to their eighteenth meeting. Robb is one of the rising stars of Democratic politics and many have mentioned him as a possible vice-presidential nominee this fall. This year, Robb was one of the first governors to endorse Senator John Glenn of Ohio.

Robb became Virginia's 64th governor after defeating Republican Attorney General J. Marshall Coleman in a hotly contested race in 1981. Robb had previously served as the Commonwealth's Lieutenant Governor.

The Governor was born in Phoenix, Arizona, on June 26, 1939. He received a B.B.A. from the University of Wisconsin in 1961. Thereafter, he served in the United States Marine Corps until 1970. He entered the University of Virginia School of Law and was graduated from there in 1973. He is married to the former Lynda Bird Johnson and they have three children. His home is in McLean.



1984 Mock Convention

Friday, May 11, 1984

PARADE — 10 a.m.

Main to Washington to Warner Center.

FIRST SESSION — 1 p.m., Warner Center

Pre-Convention Entertainment

Call to Order

Presentation of Colors

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem

Invocation

Call for Convention GUNNAR K. JORDAN

Convention Secretary

Greetings from the University JOHN D. WILSON

President

Greetings from the City of Lexington The HON. CHARLES F. PHILLIPS, JR.

Mayor

Greetings from the Commonwealth of Virginia The HON. CHARLES S. ROBB

Governor

Greetings from the Democratic Party The HON. ERNEST HOLLINGS

U.S. Senator from South Carolina

Remarks by the Temporary Chairman MICHAEL M. SHELTON

Report of the Committee on Credentials JACK R. DENT

Chairman

Report of the Committee on Rules LEE R. FELDMAN

Chairman

Benediction

Adjournment



Schedule of Events

SECOND SESSION — 8 p.m., Warner Center

Pre-Convention Entertainment

Call to Order

Invocation

Election of the Permanent Chairman and Vice Chairman

Opening Remarks of the Permanent Chairman PETER M. MULLER

Opening Remarks of the Permanent Vice Chairman STEVEN E. LEWIS

Opening Address The HON. JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR.
U.S. Senator from Delaware

Platform Address The HON. JENNINGS RANDOLPH
U.S. Senator from West Virginia

Report of the Committee on Resolutions (Platform) B. SCOTT TILLEY
Chairman

Benediction

Adjournment

Saturday, May 12, 1984

THIRD SESSION — 9:30 a.m., Warner Center

Pre-Convention Entertainment

Call to Order

Presentation of Colors

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem

Invocation

Keynote Address The HON. WILLIAM PROXMIRE
U.S. Senator from Wisconsin

Nominations for President of the United States

Roll Call of the States to Select a Nominee for President of the United States

Nominations for Vice President of the United States

Roll Call of the States to Select a Nominee for Vice President of the United States

Benediction

Adjournment *Sine Die*

West Virginian Gives Platform Speech

This year's Platform Speaker will be Senator Jennings Randolph of West Virginia. Randolph, who has recently announced his retirement from the Senate, first began serving in Congress in 1933 after being elected to the House of Representatives during the Roosevelt sweep of 1932. Defeated in 1946, he entered the private sector and then was elected to the Senate in 1968 to fill the unexpired term of Senator M.M. Neely.

During his long legislative career, Randolph has championed numerous causes for the betterment of society. As ranking minority member and former chairman of the Senate Committee on the Environment and Public Works, he has supported the development of environmental protection laws, particularly emphasizing resource recovery. The West Virginian is also a strong supporter of a national transportation network, including major highway and air systems. Besides his Environment and Public Works post,

Randolph also sits as the second ranking Democrat on the Labor and Human Resources Committee and the Committee on Veteran's Affairs.

One of Randolph's proudest moments came in 1971 when the 26th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified lowering the age of majority to 18. Randolph had been pushing for such a change since 1942, when he first introduced legislation in the House which would have given eighteen year olds the right to vote.

Another major concern of Randolph's has been the rights of the disabled. He has sponsored nearly all legislation for the benefit of the handicapped that has been introduced since he has been in Congress.

Randolph was born in Salem, West Virginia in 1902. He attended Salem College, where he was graduated *magna cum laude* in 1924. He is married to the former Mary Katherine Babb and they have two sons and three grandchildren.



Senator Proxmire to Deliver Keynote Address

United States Senator William Proxmire, D-Wisconsin, will deliver the keynote address May 12 at the 1984 Washington and Lee Mock Democratic Convention.

Proxmire has been in politics since 1950, when he was elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly. In 1957, he was elected to the U.S. Senate in a special election to fill the seat left vacant by the death of Sen. Joseph McCarthy. He was re-elected the following year to his first full six-year term and again in 1964, 1970, 1976, and 1982.

In both the 1976 and the 1982 campaigns, Proxmire accepted no campaign contributions and spent less than \$200.

The former chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, Proxmire now is ranking minority member of the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee and is a member of the Appropriations Committee and the Congressional Joint Economic Committee.

Proxmire has the longest unbroken record in the history of the Senate in answering roll call votes. He has not missed

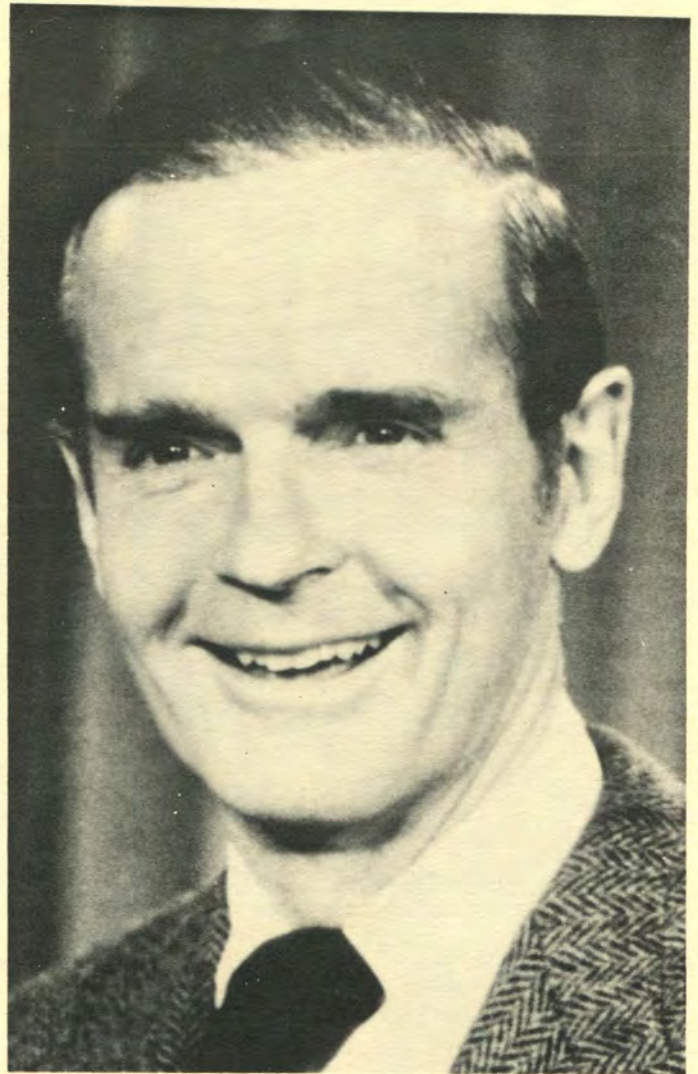
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According to the National Taxpayers Union, Proxmire held the best record in the senate during each of the last four years for holding down spending.

The Senior senator from Wisconsin, Proxmire is the author of five books: *Can Small Business Survive?*; *Report from the Wasteland*; *America's Military-Industrial Complex*; *Uncle Sam, Last of the Big-Time Spenders*; *You Can Do It*;



and *The Fleecing of America*.

Proxmire earned his undergraduate degree from Yale in 1938, a master's degree from Harvard School of Business in 1940, and a master's degree from Harvard in Public Administration.

Proxmire's keynote speech, Saturday morning, May 12, will precede the nomination and roll call voting process for president and vice-president.



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