

Merritt Hill New President Of Ford Rival

Naming of Merritt D. Hill of Birmingham to the presidency of J. I. Case Co. of Racine, Wis., has ended speculation about the former Ford Motor Co. executive's resignation as vice president and general manager of the firm's tractor and implement division in Troy.

Hill, 59, resigned March 2 after an association of nine years with Ford. A resident of 965 Glenary Circle East, Hill said he wanted to devote more time to personal interests and other business activities.

CASE IS a competitor of Ford in the farm machinery field and also makes construction and road-building equipment.

According to a spokesman for Case, Hill is expected to begin work at Racine soon. Hill has been in the farm implement and automotive industry for 32 years.

THE WISCONSIN firm has been losing money since 1959. The naming of Hill as president was with other step by directors in assembling a new management team for Case, following on the appointment of a board chairman and an executive vice president.

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This area was laid down as an organic reef around the edge of a warm, shallow sea about 200 million years ago, say the geologists. About 140 million years later the earth's movements in the western United States created the Rocky Mountains, and also fractured the limestone reef, permitting ground water to seep in; this began the "sculpturing" of the caverns.

About three million years ago the earth again did some heaving, raising up the limestone areas, thus creating the Guadalupe Mountains. Water then began draining away, the caverns remaining. Later began the seeping into the cracks and crevices of the mountains rain and snow water, finally getting into the caverns. Each drop would carry in solution some portion of the limestone, when the water evaporated, the dissolved limestone would again solidify—but took the form of either stalactites, which remain attached to the ceilings, or "stalagmites," which "grow" upwards from the floor, as drop after drop

of water containing its dissolved limestone evaporates.

SOME OF THESE formations were huge and, when formerly wet with dripping water, showed various colors, in keeping with their particular mineral content. When stalactite and stalagmite come together, they form an unbroken column.

Actually, it is impossible to describe, with mere words, the intricate loveliness of the uncountable patterns that Mother Nature has developed in these Caverns. . . there are parts where the stalactites appear as draperies . . . others where they hang like chandeliers or elongated paper-mache lanterns . . . and over much of the ceiling surfaces there are smaller "iceles" hanging, from an inch or two to a few feet in length.

From the floor, extending upwards, are the various patterned and sized stalagmites . . . and all these artistic formations are the work of many centuries of water dripping, dripping, carrying with it dissolved limestone. Finally, the dripping stopped, the caverns remained, with all their decorative limestone formations.

Question: Has any human interior decorator ever showed anything even approaching the fantastic, even weird and altogether marvelous to behold as Dame Nature does via her various inventions?

PREVIOUSLY I mentioned that Jim White was the man who actually researched the Carlsbad Caverns, when he was first attracted to the millions of bats he saw entering and leaving an opening in the mountain.

Although not so many bats use parts of the Cavern as they formerly did, yet they do darken the evening air these days, in nocturnal search of food, they obey their instinct to "swarm" the night air of the millions of insects that abound thereabouts.

Many of us may remember, perhaps even have visited, Kentucky's Mammoth Cave—but if that cave really is mammoth, then the Carlsbad "dug-out" is deserving of every superlative ever used by Hollywood in merchandising "cool," gigantic, stupendous and similar out-of-this-world motion pictures. Indeed, just to say that the Carlsbad Caverns are inspiring natural scenery, loudly to behold, overestimates to meditate upon . . . that places them in an underground world of their very own!

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AAUW MEMBERS held a luncheon meeting with local president Mrs. Preston Weir introducing Dr. Hawkes. Also present at the meeting were Mrs. George Bailey, regional vice president of AAUW who came from Chicago and Mrs. Conrad Johnson of Muskegon, state president.



When Things Get Hot . . .

Shirtsleeves were the accepted dress when things got hot at a political banquet jammed by nearly 1,000 Friday night. Guest of honor, Democratic Senator Philip A. Hart, took off his suitcoat and made notes on his speech while Chairman George J. Fulkerson introduced official guests. (See story, page 2-A).

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Awards

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Implement Operations, will be cited for unselfishly devoting his time and efforts to political activity citizens' groups and youth direction.

Current chairman of the Birmingham PTA Council's budget and finance committee and past chairman of the Groves High School ways and means committee, also is active in the affairs of the Republican Party's 7th precinct in West Bloomfield Township.

He is financial chairman, delegate and a co-sponsor for the precinct. Active also in Oakland County 4-H Club work, Mr. George Bailey, regional vice president of AAUW who came from Chicago and Mrs. Conrad Johnson of Muskegon, state president.

DZENDEL, an implement engineer, is a 23-year resident of Southfield Township and City and has consistently taken an active interest in his community's problems at all progress.

A past president of the Southfield Democratic Club and a precinct delegate, he is active in non-partisan activities, including canvassing for voter registration, membership in the PTA, Advisory Committee and service on his city's Planning Commission.

Rogers, in tractor and Implement Operations' sales analysis and distribution department, earned the title "Mr. Junior Athlete" from his Royal Oak neighbors for his work on behalf of Little League baseball, football and hockey.

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Obituary Notices

Mrs. Jeannette Miller

Following several months' illness in Sherwood Hill, Royal Oak, Mrs. Jeannette E. Miller, 50, died Wednesday. Born in Adrian, Mich., Mrs. Miller, who lived in Birmingham for three years at 990 Top New Road, had formerly lived in Pleasant Ridge for 20 years. She was a graduate of Gulf Park College, Gulf Port, Miss., and attended Drayton Avenue Presbyterian Church in Ferndale.

She is survived by her husband James F. Miller, Jr.; a daughter, Anne Margaret; a son, James F. Miller II, and a half sister, Mrs. James Barber, of Detroit.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 9 p.m. in Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co. Burial will be in White Chapel.

Mrs. Sara Panos

Mrs. Sara Madsen Panos, formerly Sara Madsen, of Birmingham, died March 13 in the Presbyterian Hospital, Denver, Colo. She is survived by her husband George, of Denver, and a brother, Fred A. Snart, of Birmingham.

Funeral services took place Wednesday at the Manly Bailey Funeral Home, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Harland D. Elwood

Harland D. Elwood, public relations counsel for the United Insurance Co. of America for the last 10 years, died March 13 in his home at 5618 Putnam, Birmingham.

Mr. Elwood is survived by his wife, Marie; his mother, Mrs. Carrie Elwood; and a sister. Services will be held this morning at 11 a.m. in Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co. Cremation will follow.

Mrs. Ken. Emmons Tammy Sue Emmons

Mrs. Kenneth Gene Emmons, formerly of 1908 Bowler Street, Birmingham, died of meningitis Saturday in William Beaumont Hospital. A daughter, Tammy Sue, was dead at birth.

Mrs. Emmons, 24, is survived by her husband; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hill, of California; three daughters, Lori Lee, Patricia Ann and Vicki Lynn, and five brothers and sisters.

Services for Mrs. Emmons and her daughter will be held today at 2 p.m. in the William Sullivan and Son Funeral Home in Royal Oak. Burial will be in Oakview Cemetery.

William H. Binns, Advertising Exec, Dies Suddenly

William H. Binns of Birmingham, senior vice president and director of Dudgeon Taylor & Brunske, Inc., Detroit-based industrial advertising agency, died suddenly March 8, at the age of 56. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in the Bell Chapel of William R. Hamilton Co.

He was widely known in advertising and graphic arts circles in Detroit and elsewhere.

HIS CAREER here started when he joined the advertising staff of Ferguson Tractor, after having served for years as advertising manager of Richmond Radiator Division of Reynolds Metals, Uniontown, Pa.

After Ferguson Tractor was bought by Ford Motor Co., he continued with the new company as assistant advertising manager, later becoming advertising manager, in which capacity he served for many years.

An avid fisherman, hunter and amateur radio operator, Binns had returned from an ice-fishing expedition and was operating his radio station when he was struck. He succumbed in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac.

Binns received his preparatory education in Hill School, Pottsville, Pa. He then attended Princeton University, Art Institute of Chicago and the American Academy of Art.

Surviving are his wife, Marjorie Jones Binns, and daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, both of 404 Linden Road, Birmingham. His father, James G. Binns, of Adrian, W. Va., and his sister, Mrs. Henry V. Overholt, of Seaside, Pa.

Burial was in the family lot in Sylvan Heights Cemetery, Uniontown, Pa.

Carl A. Beuthien

A resident of Birmingham since 1948, Carl A. Beuthien, 62, formerly of 1393 Yorkshire Road, died March 12 in St. Carmel Hospital.

Mr. Beuthien was a graduate of the University of Michigan, a member of Alpha Chi Rho, president of the Birmingham Quadrill Club and a member of the First Methodist Church of Birmingham.

He is survived by his wife Mary A.; two daughters, Mrs. Donald G. McBride, of Southfield, and Mrs. Castelle G. Gentry, of Haslett, Mich.

Frame Windows Like Pictures

A window is like a picture; it must be properly framed to bring out all its beauty and charm. No one would think of framing a Van Gogh or Rembrandt in a thin, sterile looking metal strip frame. The frame must add character and complement the picture. It must do the same thing for a window because a window is, in effect, a picture.

Windows framed in attractive wood are a must feature in modern homes. Whether it is a full wall of picture windows or a tiny bungalow window off a service room, wood best defines the area devoted to glass.

Most architects find they have more freedom in wood window frames. In the case of a full wall of windows, they use wood mullions for framing which have strength and rigidity as well as beauty. Douglas fir is the accepted wood for most mullions.

Wood can be painted to match other features of the house or it can be left natural and finished with clear varnishes or plastic coatings. One reason why wood is so popular with architects is because of its wide versatility and the many ways in which it can be filled.

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