

Crisfield, after which he entered the Wilmington Conference Academy. He graduated from this institution in 1912 and later entered Sadlers Bryant and Stratton Business College in Baltimore where he completed a full course in banking and accountancy. His first employment was with his father who was then engaged in an extensive lumber manufacturing business. During this time he was also associated with the active management of The Tawes-Gibson Packing Company, a seafood canning concern. During the period of the World War he was Secretary and Treasurer of the Crisfield Shipbuilding Company, Inc., and served in this capacity until the corporation was liquidated at the conclusion of the war. In 1920 he organized the Tawes Baking Company, one of the largest industries of its kind on the Delmarva Peninsula and has been Secretary and Treasurer of this concern since its beginning. Mr. Tawes is director of many business enterprises, including the Bank of Crisfield and the McCreedy Memorial Hospital. He is a charter member and past president of the Rotary Club of Crisfield, also holds membership in the Crisfield Chamber of Commerce, Crisfield Library Association, and several other civic and fraternal organizations in the State. He is Treasurer of the Wilmington Conference Society of Education and Chairman of the Crisfield Chapter of the American Red Cross. Mr. Tawes is a past president of the Maryland State Volunteer Firemen's Association. He is also a member of the Elks, a past Grand Chancellor and Supreme Representative of the Knights of Pythias, and holds membership in several clubs. In 1930 Mr. Tawes was nominated and elected to the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court for Somerset County and in 1934 was unanimously chosen by his party as a nominee for reelection and served for another term of four years. In 1938 Mr. Tawes was nominated as a candidate for the office of Comptroller of the Treasury on the Democratic Ticket and was elected to this office on November 8th, 1938. In 1942 he was a candidate without opposition from either political party for re-election and was returned to the office of Comptroller of the Treasury for another term of four years. Mr. Tawes was married in 1915 to Miss Helen Avalynne Gibson, daughter of the late Oliver P. and May A. Gibson of Crisfield. Mr. and Mrs. Tawes reside in Crisfield and have two children—one daughter and one son.

State Treasurer: HOOPER STEELE MILES (Democrat),
Baltimore, Maryland.

Hooper Steele Miles, son of the late Alonzo Lee and Agnes Hooper Miles, was born in Cambridge, Dorchester County,