

# Wilbur Mills pulled a 'dirty

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WASHINGTON — The White House accused Rep. Wilbur D. Mills (Dem. Ark.) of a "dirty, low political ploy" for saying a forthcoming report on President Nixon's taxes could lead to the President's resignation.

"If he believes the President is going to resign based on some mysterious, anonymous report that none of the other committee members

know anything about, then his malady is of the head and not the back," a White House spokesman here said.

Mills, 64, announcing his candidacy for re-election in Little Rock, Ark., Friday said he feels good despite recent back surgery.

He also told reporters that the staff of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation has decided the President owed substantial

back taxes.

A reporter asked whether he could disclose any basis for a prediction that the President will resign.

"I do," Mills replied. "But I can't do it yet. You'll know about it. I'd say, within 30 to 40 days." He said the committee would complete its report on Nixon's tax re-

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turns by then.

Sen. Russell Long (D-La.) joint committee chairman, said a staff audit should be available late this month.

He said he had not discussed it with Mills lately and "I do not know what he has in mind."

Both Long and Sen. Wal-

lace F. Bennett of Utah, ranking Republican on the committee, said evidence to date does not indicate fraud. Long said, as he has before, that the President apparent-

ly will owe some taxes.

Mills, who heads the House Ways and Means Committee, is seeking his 19th term.