

North Carolina polls has unprecedented vote

RALEIGH (AP) — From the mountains to the coast, unprecedented thousands stood in line and voted Tuesday in a North Carolina general election marked by traffic jams, long waiting and tired feet.

"I've never seen anything like it," said a registrar in Raleigh. "I think everybody who was registered wanted to vote."

A milkman was caught in the pre-dawn traffic jam at a polling place in Raleigh and was delayed in his deliveries.

Breakfast could be purchased for a price outside the town hall in Garner.

"There's no doubt it's a record vote," said Alex Brock, executive secretary of the state Board of Elections. Brock, one of the early risers, had to wait in line an hour to vote.

The interest was centered on a three-man presidential race and a governor's contest marked by a long, grueling campaign.

An unusually long ballot contributed to the delay in the voting process. Through it all, however, most voters waiting in line joked good-naturedly.

"I feel like a half chaplain today," said Brock. "We've had a few irate callers, but most of them calmed down and were good-natured about it when they realized the voting problem throughout the state."

The state Board of Elections had urged citizens to vote early and the response was terrific. At Brookhaven, a housing development near Raleigh, 400 people were waiting to vote at 6:45 a.m.

From throughout the state reports were the same—long lines.

In Lincoln County, the early voting and the traffic were so heavy at polling places that L. A. Grooms, chairman of the Lincoln Board of Elections, said he would recommend that

schools be closed on election days.

Grooms said he would make such a recommendation when the Governor's Study Commission on Elections Procedures, of which he is a member, meets again.

In Gaston County, 650 persons voted at the Greer School precinct in the first two hours. Lines were so long that poll officials began using the school auditorium for the marking of ballots. However, the situation was complicated by lines of as many as 150 persons waiting to put their ballots in boxes.

"We haven't nearly enough booths or polling places," said L. B. Hollowell, chairman of the Gaston Board of Elections.

In Mecklenburg County, poll workers at the Berryhill precinct said cars were backed up for two miles during the early rush.

Early morning lines were so long at some precincts in Greensboro and Guilford County ing places, planning to return later in the day.

In Durham, all polling places were reported jammed before the 6:30 starting time.

At High Point, the early lines stretched out the doors of the precincts in the city and rural areas.

Voting was so heavy throughout Forsyth County that the Forsyth Board of Elections ordered the polling places to stay open an extra hour until 7:30 p.m.

Under the law, counties which use voting machines can stay open an extra hour if the board of elections deems it necessary.

Hal Boyle

Prepare for future

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — We are always being admonished to prepare for the future.

But most of us, being the contrary creatures that we are, prefer to relive the past, over and over and over.

One doesn't have to look very hard to find the reason. The future is a gamble, an unknown full of potential dread and new dragons. The past is a more comfortable place. We have survived its perils, slain its dragons, and turned it into a memory garden which is pleasant indeed to revisit.

THERE are a lot of blooms in your own memory garden if you can look back and remember when—

The only people who played golf were those who could really afford to.

Hatcheck girls looked grateful if you put a dime on the counter to retrieve your bonnet.

Most workers carried their sandwiches in tin lunch buckets instead of imitation leather briefcases.

One of the hated chores of childhood was having to put blacking on the big pot-bellied coal stove in the living room.

It cost as much to buy the sack of popcorn as it did to go into the movie.

Every housewife had the dull conviction that sometime during her matrimonial career she'd have to deal with the problem of bedbugs.

A college rebel was any male student who objected to joining the ROTC.

No one had heard of the dangers of a population explosion, and motherhood was the one thing on earth that stood above criticism.

If you looked at a painting in an art gallery, you could tell at a glance what it was—and whether it was hung right side up.

The quality of a saloon was judged by the variety of its free lunch and whether its brass cuspidors were brightly polished.

It was easier to detect a dyed blonde than it was to spot a counterfeit \$5 bill.

A poor person was one who bought day-old bread at the bakery because the price was lower.

Every small town had at least one haunted house that children were afraid to pass by alone after dark.

As a Gypsy caravan approached, children fled to the safety of their front porches, mortally certain that, if they didn't, they'd be kidnaped and never see home again.

A juvenila delinquent was a sneaky kid who put rocks in the snowballs he threw at adult passers-by.

Girls wore dresses so long that if they had chapped knees nobody knew it but them.

Those were the days! Remember?

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for Humphrey.

It must be emphasized that all vote returns are unofficial.

Down in Texas, HHH is holding onto a lead of 1,103,000 to 1,059,000, while in Missouri the Democratic hopeful is out front 701,000 to 690,000.

Nixon's running-mate, Spiro Agnew, has apparently lost Maryland to Humphrey by some 19,000 votes.

Political analysts indicate Wallace hurt Nixon more than Humphrey, and point out that many, supposedly in the Wallace camps, returned to the Democratic fold during the crucial voting on Nov. 5.

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My finances are getting in such a mess, you would think I was getting advice from the government.—Dale Holdridge, The Langford (S. Dak.) Bugle.

The search for truth is so difficult that even preachers are unable to agree upon its exposition.—N. DeVane Williams, Holmes County (Fla.) Advertiser.

"A man can cash in good resolutions if he keeps them long enough to earn dividends."—Fred R. Grown, The Bergen (N. J.) Citizen.

"More diets begin in dress shops than in doctors' offices."—Bath County (Ky.) News- Outlook.



So that's what I did!

Carol Guenther of Richmond, looks over galleys of type which were produced by automatically operated linecasting machines. Carol is a teletypesetter operator student in the School of Graphic Arts, and punches perforated paper tape to run composition machines.

Congressman Jones visits area, campus

By FRANCINE SAWYER

By special arrangement of Mrs. Pittman, her students in government classes and those interested from economics, heard guest speaker the Honorable Walter B. Jones, congressman from the First District of North Carolina.

On hand were interested citizens of Murfreesboro, faculty members, and Mayor Vann of Murfreesboro, who formally introduced Representative Jones.

Farmville, North Carolina is where Jones makes his home. On the local level of government he has held the post of mayor, judge, state legislature in both the House and the Senate. He took over the post of First District leader upon the death of Rep. Herbert C. Bonner.

The primary purpose of his appearance was to enlighten students as to the way Congress operates. This he did and a

great deal was learned by those in attendance.

After the formal delivery, the audience was given the opportunity to ask questions. Before doing so, Representative Jones told the people that a loan had been appropriated to Chowan College for the construction of an additional dormitory.

Since elections are to be held shortly, many questions addressed to the congressman were of a political nature. A student asked if Jones was in favor of lowering the voting age. His reply was "I am faced with mixed emotions, but agreed to the fact that today's younger people are more mature and better informed than I at the age of 18. I feel adjustments should and will be made."

Concluding the address, Congressman Jones bid a cordial invitation to visit his office when in Washington, D.C.

Smokers still puffing

NEW YORK (AP) — American smokers are puffing at a greater rate this year than last year, a survey indicated Tuesday.

The annual tabulation by John C. Maxwell Jr. in the November issue of Marketing Communications puts the 1968 increase at 1.3 per cent.

He said a major factor has

been the rise in smoking by women.

Government figures have shown a slight decrease in cigarette production this year. Maxwell says the disparity lies in the fact that several new variations of cigarettes were introduced in 1967 and the pipelines had to be filled. As consumption

edged ahead this year inventories have shrunk slightly.

R. J. Reynolds remains the biggest cigarette producer with 32.1 per cent of the domestic volume in 1968. American tobacco is second with 21.8 per cent of the market.

Filters—plain, mentholated and charcoal—now account for 74 per cent of the total market.