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Ingram Surprises

Hodges in Runoff

John Ingram pulled a major upset Tuesday and won the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate over Luther Hodges, Jr., unofficial returns indicated Tuesday night.

It was the first time in 60 years a candidate in a major statewide race overcame a deficit of 10 percentage points or more to take an election.

In the May 2 Democratic Primary, Hodges led an eight-man field with about 40 percent of the votes. Ingram, who called for the runoff, was second with about 26 percent of the votes.

In Tuesday's runoff, however, following three weeks of hard campaigning by both candidates Ingram bounced back to win strong in some of the counties Hodges took earlier.

Statewide, Ingram polled almost 54 percent of the votes, according to unofficial returns, compared to just over 46 percent for Hodges.

With 95.9 percent of the precincts reporting Tuesday night, Ingram had

232,709 votes to Hodges' 196,042 votes.

Ingram will now face first time Republican Sen. Jesse Helms in the November general election for the senate seat.

Pembroke Councilman Milton Hunt, who served as John Ingram's county campaign coordinator, said "I am pleasantly surprised at the state wide results. And I am sure Mr. Ingram is happy with the Robeson County results since it was a very close race, after Hodges easily carried the county the first time around. John Ingram is going to be a very formidable challenger for Senator Helms. The Democratic Party has an outstanding candidate."

In the May 2 primary, Luther Hodges walloped Ingram 8,584 votes to Ingram's 3,927.

This time around, Hodges barely edged out Ingram 4,439 to 4,128 in Robeson. Mused Milton Hunt, "It was a remarkable turn around." Indeed it was.

Herman Dial Edges Challenger, Wyvis Oxendine in Commissioner Race



Herman Dial

Local political wags termed it one of the most savvy, upbeat races run by a new comer in years. Wyvis Oxendine, young and personable, gave incumbent Herman Dial a run for his money in the Pembroke, Smiths, Maxton Commissioner District only to fall short by 240 votes.

Oxendine, an assistant principal in the Maxton School District, carried Dial's home precinct, Smiths, by a margin of 446 votes to Dial's 362. Oxendine came extremely close in Maxton. Dial edged him by a mere 13 votes, 353 to 340. As in earlier contests, Pembroke Precinct, the biggest in the county, came through again for the winning candidate. Dial swamped Oxendine 788 to 474 in the sprawling Pembroke Precinct. The margin in Pembroke was 314 votes. Since Dial won by 240 votes it is not surprising that Dial was quoted as saying Tuesday night after the balloting that "Pembroke came through again. I think the fine folks in Pembroke and throughout the district for their good vote. I am honored and pledge anew to represent the folks of this district to the best of my ability..."

Locklear Edges Gay in House Race



Horace Locklear

Rep. Horace Locklear, the incumbent edged William C. Gay in the spirited race for the House of Representatives seat from the 21st legislative district. The final totals were Locklear, 4,639 and Gay, 4,115 in Robeson County.

Gay the principal of Lumberton Senior High School, led the balloting in Hoke County with 563 to Locklear's 266. In Scotland, Locklear squeaked by with 588 votes to Gay's 437.

Recently Home on Leave

Marine Private Aubrey Dale Swett, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy D. Swett of Pembroke has graduated from Recruit Training and was recently home on leave.

Following his leave, PVT. Swett reported to Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, New Jersey for schooling on the launch and recovery of jet aircraft from advanced air fields.

Aubrey is a 1977 graduate of Pembroke Senior High School. He was enlisted by Gunnery Sergeant Max Bennett at 208 Chestnut St., Lumberton.



Aubrey Dale Swett

DR. JAMES B. CHAVIS TO ADDRESS 1978 COMMENCEMENT AT MAGNOLIA



Dr. James B. Chavis

Graduation exercises for Magnolia School will be held Friday evening, June 9, at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

Speaker for the program is Dr. James B. Chavis, Ombudsman for the State of North Carolina. Chavis was educated at Deep Branch Elementary School and Hargrave Military Academy. He received his B.S. Degree in math and science at Pembroke State University, his M.A. in Administration at East Carolina University and his Ed. D. in Administration in Higher Education at Duke University. He is a native of the Pembroke area.

Valedictorian for the 1978 graduating class is Dannie McNeil. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl McNeil of St. Pauls, NC. He has been active in J.V. and Varsity football, CECNC, Spanish Club, Beta Club and he has received awards in Algebra, English, Scholarship, Spanish and Chemistry. After graduation Dannie will attend Campbell College.

Salutatorian is Kenneth McNeil, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie McNeil. He has been active in the CECNC, Beta Club, and J.V. and Varsity football. He has received awards in Biology, Geometry, and Algebra. After graduation, Kenneth will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Marshalls for 1978 are: Chief Marshal, Mindy Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Hunt; Assistant Chief Marshal, James Stokes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Braddock Stokes; Sandra Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bell; Doris Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Bell; Kimberly Wynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wynn; Jeffery Wynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wynn; and Jackie McGirt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie McGirt.

The members of the class of 1978 are: Celestine Ashford; Lora Bell; Wayne Bolin; Henry Brewer; Felicia Brewer; Billy Brewington; Gregory K. Bruce; Patricia Bruce; Tony E. Lowery Burnette; Marvin Butler; Wendy L. Canady; Deborah Carr; Ronald Carter; Regina Chavis; Sammie Chavis; Rosa L. Currie; Edwina Dove; Pamela Godwin; Beverly Hammonds; Elvira Hammonds; Barbara Hamrick; Golber Hardin; Keny Hardin; Tim Hardin; Evelyn Holmes; Glenn Horton; Rozell Hunt; Mary Ingram; Beverly Jacobs; James Jacobs; Kenneth W. Johnson; Charlie Jones; Dorothy Jones; Donald Knight; Dean Locklear; Doris Locklear; Fernandos Locklear; Jacqueline Locklear; Janine Locklear; Melody Locklear; Lona Locklear; LaRue Locklear; Michael Locklear; Polly Locklear; Rose M. Locklear; Timothy Locklear; Wallace Locklear; William P. Locklear; Gomer Lowery; Tommy Lowery; Oma J. Maynor; Gary L. McCall; Dannie McNeil; Kenneth McNeil; John A. Moranson; Janice Morgan; Barbara J. Musgrove; Betty J. Oxendine; Jack C. Oxendine; Virginia Oxendine; Janice Regan; Anthony Anderson; Sayfriel Sinclair; Janice F. Skipworth; Gail Smith; Gregory Strickland; Barbara Sutton; John D. Tyner; Robert E. Tyner; Richard N. Tyner; Teresa L. Underwood; Evelyn A. Whitted; Vivian A. Wilson; Wendell Hammonds; Demetrius Locklear; Robert Lowry; Wendy S. Smith.



Shown left to right: Kenneth McNeil and Dannie McNeil.



Shown left to right: Kimberly Wynn; James Stokes; Jeffery Wynn; and Doris Bell; Sandra Bell; Mindy Miller; Jackie McGirt. (Elmer Hunt photos)

PEMBROKE ELEMENTARY BAND HOLDS MUSICAL RECITAL



Mrs. Daphne Jones, music teacher at Pembroke Elementary School, leads her charges through one of their rousing numbers Tuesday night at their musical recital.

Mrs. Jones, according to Principal James Dial, "works wonders every year." She teaches two classes, fourth and fifth graders and sixth and seventh graders. Parents and friends were enthusiastic as a good crowd attended.

BRUCE
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PHOTOS



Mrs. Elvora Locklear presents a bouquet of roses to Mrs. Jones (right). Said Mrs. Locklear, representing parents of students enrolled in Mrs. Jones' classes, "we appreciate

what you have done and are doing for our children." The gesture of presenting the roses was enthusiastically cheered by the responsive audience.

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PLATE SALE PLANNED BY PROSPECT UNITED METHODIST MEN

The Prospect United Methodist Men are planning a plate sale June 9, at the Prospect United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. The plate sale will be from 11 a.m. until... They will feature chicken and barbeque plates. The public is cordially invited to attend.

CB CLUB TO HOLD COFFEE BREAK

The Area C B Club will hold a "Coffee Break" Friday and Saturday, June 9 and 10 at the 710-74 Crossing at the Exxon Station. The coffee break will be held to raise funds for a local man who was injured recently, and other projects for the needy.

EARN BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Salisbury, NC: Richard Dwight Locklear of Pembroke earned the Bachelor of Arts degree from Catawba College on Sunday, May 21, during commencement exercises held in Keppel Auditorium of the College-Community Centre on the Catawba campus. There were 130 members of the senior class. The commencement address was given by Dr. William C. Self, associate dean of the School of Education at UNC-Chapel Hill. Dr. Self is a Catawba alumnus and received an honorary Doctor of Letters degree.

Locklear is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Delton R. Locklear of Route 2, Pembroke and a graduate of Pembroke High School. He was political science major, a member of the football team, a member of Phi Epsilon (an academic honor society), and a Dean's List student. He was also named offensive player of the week and most inspiring player of the 1977 football season.

REVIVAL PLANNED

Baker's Chapel Freewill Baptist Church will begin their revival Sunday night, June 4, 1978 at 7 p.m. Guest speakers will be Rev. Eugene Chavis and Rev. Micheal Cummings. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

PSHS's Honor Students



Valedictorian for the Pembroke Senior High School Class of 1978 is Earl Stacy Ransom, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl S. Ransom, Sr. of Pembroke. Earl will be attending Davidson College.



Salutatorian for the 1978 Class of Pembroke Senior High School is Jay Timothy Juren, son of Rev. and Mrs. Jerry J. Juren of Pembroke. Jay will attend High Point College after graduation.



Historian for the 1978 class of Pembroke Senior High School will be Donald Ray Oxendine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lane Oxendine of Pembroke. Donald will be attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.