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Nov. 4, 1980 Unofficial Election Results

TOTALS (Unofficial)	Absentee	Grapetown	Sandy Marsh	Spring Creek	Bob's Chapel	Hot Springs	Walnut	Beech Glen	Mrs Hill	Laurel	South Marshall	North Marshall	
3202	156	191	80	282	142	318	189	346	535	240	220	503	Carter
2629	61	179	40	96	256	133	262	344	512	212	153	391	Reagan
21	0	0	0	0	1	2	9	2	3	0	3	1	Clark
11	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	2	Commoner
106	3	1	8	5	8	6	11	8	30	1	15	10	Anderson
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	DeBerry
3692	155	201	91	297	174	344	246	393	643	301	257	590	Hunt
2261	43	162	39	81	235	118	222	299	439	161	140	322	Lake
3363	150	193	77	284	167	328	209	346	538	290	243	536	Green
2211	48	150	38	78	231	120	215	291	438	145	134	323	Cobey
3279	147	185	77	276	160	310	205	340	535	254	242	548	Eure
1875	49	142	34	74	227	118	215	290	438	152	133	303	Flaherty
3275	153	184	77	275	158	310	204	348	534	254	239	539	Boyles
3207	149	184	76	275	159	307	196	330	521	251	238	521	Renfrow
2138	47	138	33	70	229	118	209	281	427	148	131	307	McIntyre
3326	152	190	80	281	160	315	201	352	536	257	252	530	Edmisten
2149	43	139	34	70	227	114	212	280	454	147	130	299	Snyder
3329	156	186	79	277	160	313	204	362	542	257	242	551	Graham
3248	154	194	81	285	160	316	208	348	535	264	249	554	Ingram
2160	41	142	33	70	228	115	213	284	450	147	134	303	Tenney
3294	154	185	75	278	161	309	199	357	534	256	241	545	Brooks
3337	154	187	79	274	162	314	206	359	560	263	230	549	Phillips
3302	145	177	73	279	161	315	201	348	546	263	251	543	Morgan
2399	51	164	44	82	232	130	236	311	495	161	140	353	East
3281	145	140	76	284	169	323	227	344	504	280	249	540	Gudger
2531	50	163	50	84	237	127	231	336	568	170	155	362	Hendon
3187	149	187	77	275	157	300	198	336	484	266	241	517	Miller
2151	44	133	30	71	225	116	216	276	455	142	134	310	Lyerly
2106	53	139	40	72	226	121	215	291	491	N/A	135	323	Lacey
3313	151	192	82	274	159	305	201	350	547	261	254	547	Clark
3207	150	154	71	281	162	314	200	342	491	269	249	534	Swain
2080	42	133	29	68	224	111	209	274	424	148	127	291	Biggers
2205	43	135	40	74	226	117	219	287	470	145	137	312	Hollyday
3318	155	189	75	271	160	312	207	354	536	262	251	546	Messer
3445	156	197	77	275	163	314	218	363	562	282	259	579	Ramsey
3495	151	207	84	292	165	317	203	360	531	314	264	577	Buckner
2179	44	134	34	73	228	116	208	286	483	141	134	298	Ball
3521	151	222	79	230	188	316	223	370	571	297	260	564	Wallin
2125	44	138	37	74	214	117	206	282	442	151	130	300	Willie
855	195	61	12	73	1	131	37	60	112	39	12	107	Brown

Democrats Sweep Madison County

In what was considered by some election followers as one of the fastest vote counts in Madison County, the Democrat Party maintained its political dominance in Tuesday's election with Democratic candidates taking the lead in vote totals with few surprises.

With all of the county's 11 precincts reporting by 9:40 p.m. the unofficial tallies from the board of election showed Madison voters backing President Jimmy Carter over his opponent, Ronald Reagan, 3,202 to 2,629, giving Carter 55 percent of the local vote.

Speakers at the courthouse were noticeably stunned when an Associated Press announcement was read about 10 p.m. stating that Carter was preparing to concede to Reagan within a matter of minutes.

In the gubernatorial race Gov. Jim Hunt handily defeated challenger Beverly Lake in the county 3,692 to 2,261, drawing 62 percent of the vote.

Lieutenant Governor Jimmy Green totaled 3,363 votes to William Cobey's 2,211, demonstrating Madison's voters' preference for a Democratic state government.

U.S. Senator Roger Morgan (D) polled 58 percent of the vote in Madison with a 3,302 total to John East's 2,399.

In the race for the 11th Congressional District seat, incumbent Democrat Lamar Gudger took only 56 percent of the vote with 3,281 to William Hendon's 2,531. Election watchers were predicting this race would be a close one in the 11th District but the surprise came when word was received that Hendon was leading in the totals in Gudger's own Buncombe County.

The Democrat Party scored well in Madison's two local

elections for the offices of register of deeds and tax collector. Jena Lee Buckner will retain her position as register of deeds after gathering 3,495 votes to Republican Faye Ball's 2,179. Harold Wallin easily defeated V.J. Willis 3,521 to 2,125 for 62 percent of the vote in unofficial totals for tax collector.

The state constitutional amendment requiring justices and judges to be duly authorized to practice law prior to election or appointment was overwhelmingly approved in the county, according to board of elections officials.

Blaze Destroys House

Three trucks from the Marshall Fire Station and 16 volunteer firemen were dispatched at 7 p.m. to fight a fire of undetermined origin that turned a two-story frame house into a total loss Saturday night.

The wood frame structure, located at the intersection of Little Pine Creek and Bear Creek roads was engulfed in flames when the firefighters came on the scene at 7:10 p.m. The fire was brought under control at 7:25 but the crew stayed with it until 9 p.m. locating and ex-

tinguishing "hot spots" that threatened to reignite.

Damage was estimated at between 8 and 10 thousand dollars with the upstairs the most heavily damaged. The building was unoccupied and no reason for the blaze has been determined.

Halloween night the department was kept busy with the dirty job of extinguishing dumpster fires in the Walnut-Barnard-Brush Creek area. Four of the "green boxes" had their contents set ablaze by Halloween pranksters.



REMAINS OF HOUSE on Little Pine Creek Road which was destroyed by fire Saturday night. Firemen responded to first blaze at

7:30 p.m. Saturday, and then again at 6:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

Aldermen Conduct Light Meeting

Marshall Town Aldermen breezed through a light agenda Monday evening at their regular monthly meeting, spending most of their time listening to a request from Maurice McAlister for a new ceiling in the Marshall Fire Department headquarters.

McAlister, a volunteer fireman, requested permission and \$1,000 to install a lower ceiling in the building which houses the fire trucks and equipment, stating that the renovation would cut the heating cost to the town about 25 percent. The town now pays \$1,500 per year to heat the facility with fuel oil, and a one-fourth reduction in the fuel bill would save the town \$375 per year.

The proposal included lowering the new ceiling as much as possible, leaving enough clearance to drive the fire engines in and out. McAlister said the existing high ceiling in the building has led to problems with the

trucks and equipment during both the winter and summer seasons.

He said last winter a water pump on a tanker truck froze and burst because of the difficulty in heating the room, causing inconvenience and a hazardous condition had there been a fire before the pump was repaired. In addition, McAlister said dust coming down from the second floor in the building covered the trucks and other firefighting equipment.

Estimates on the cost of materials to install the lower ceiling are close to \$2,000. McAlister said the fire department has \$1,000 earmarked for the project, and needs an additional \$1,000 from the town to purchase the materials. He said the labor would be provided by the firemen.

The aldermen approved the project and instructed McAlister and Fire Chief Jackie Davis to keep the town out of \$2,000.



SHERIFF E.Y. PONDER and deputies burn the last of this summer's confiscated marijuana crop at Marshall Elementary School. The plants and bagged leaves were found in the Brush Creek and Shelton Laurel areas of the county in August.