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BULLETIN

Raleigh.—Governor Max Gardner this morning predicted a majority in the State of "slightly less than 200,000 for Franklin D. Roosevelt on the basis of present returns."

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ROOSEVELT LANDSLIDE

Democrats Break Majority Record in North Carolina

Entire Democratic Ticket Carries Locally; National And State Returns Slow

The unprecedented Democratic sweep in the nation found reflection in the action of Watauga voters who went to the polls on Tuesday and registered an overwhelming endorsement of the Democratic slate of candidates. While it is impossible today to give detailed figures on the results of the voting, average majorities computed give 982 advantage for Democratic aspirants. County boxes were first tabulated, and State and national returns are not available in sufficient numbers to give a satisfactory report.

As has been the case in Watauga through many elections, straight voting was the order, and there is very little difference in the majorities registered for the State Senator and for the several county officers. Following is an outline of the approximate majorities from the county boxes at press time. Complete official and tabulated returns will be published next week after the canvass:

First Reports

The first report coming to Boone was from the traditionally Republican North Fork Township, where the Democrats polled an average of ten votes for each of their county candidates and where the Republicans claimed a majority of 110 in each instance.

Blowing Rock, which set a record of a Democratic majority of around 100 in 1930, increased its Democratic swing today, reporting majorities for the complete slate of county Democratic candidates of 153.

Laurel Creek mainained its Democratic status by giving the candidates of that party majorities of a flat 94, there being virtually no variation.

Stony Fork amassed its usual Republican majorities of around 135.

Watauga's Lead Cut

Watauga, where reports of increased Republican registration had been verified, increased its Republican lead reporting an average majority of 110 for all Republican candidates.

In Elk the Republican lead was cut down to an average of 83 votes from the 1930 standing of 128.

Beaver Dam remained solidly Democratic, giving the candidates of that party leads averaging about 217.

In Shawneehaw Republicans held their leads of many years' standing, reporting a majority of 45 for the county ticket.

In Meat Camp Township the Democratic ticket maintained its victory stride, and flat majorities of 125 were reported. Two years ago the majority ranged along in the eighties.

In Blue Ridge the Republican majority was an average of 150, as against about 190 in 1930.

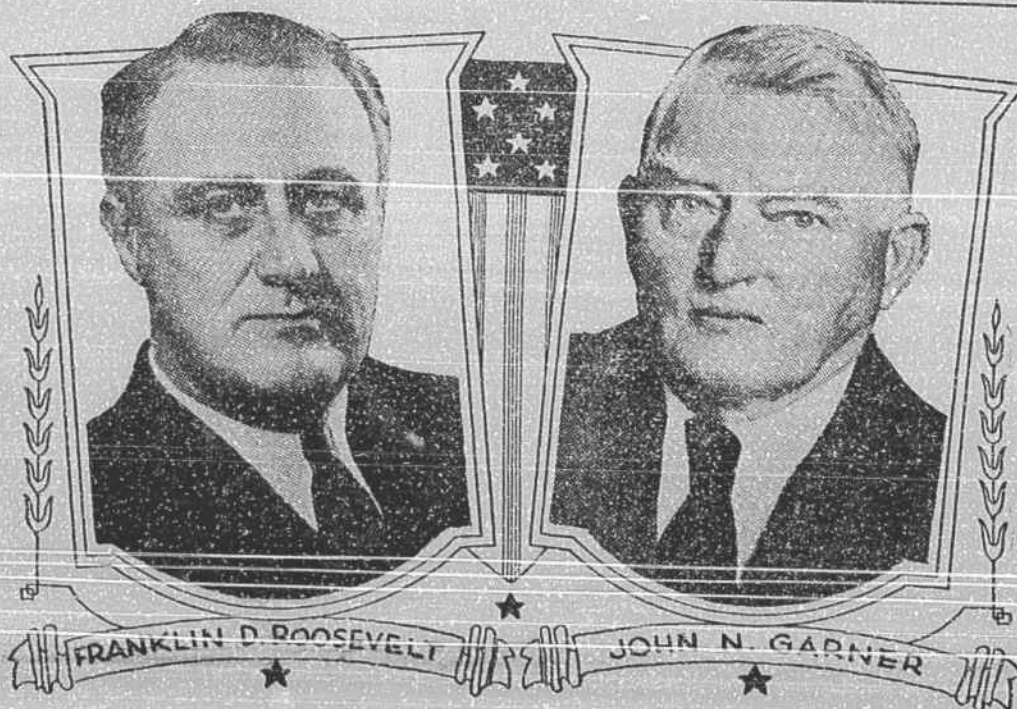
Boone Township, the largest voting precinct in the county, had not been able to count out until 10:30 and returns could not be secured from Bald Mountain and Meat Camp No. 2. The Boone majority for the Democrats is expected to reach 700.

Boone Township, the big voting precinct of the county, gave Democratic majorities for county candidates to an average of a little more than 700, the final count having been completed about midnight.

Cove Creek returned a record Democratic majority of 351 for local candidates, and Meat Camp No. 2 and Bald Mountain are unreported in any of the contests. They are not expected to materially change the estimated results.

The county race has been particularly lively this year and candidates for office have courted the favor of the electorate with zeal. Outside

Win Offices by Tremendous Landslide



STATE HEADQUARTERS ESTIMATE DEMOCRATS WIN BY 175,000 VOTES

Largest Vote in History Indicated as Returns Are Tabulated.

North Carolinians rallied to their voting places today in numbers perhaps unapproached within the history of the State, and piled up a heavy Democratic majority for the entire State ticket, early returns indicate. Officials at State Headquarters believe the majority will reach 150,000 in some instances, and it is thought that the unusual has happened in that perhaps Governor Roosevelt has led the State ticket.

The preponderance of the vote is ascribed largely to the discontent over the economic situation, and very likely the State issues involved have played rather a smaller part in the final result than in any previous campaign.

Robert R. (Bob) Reynolds, anti-prohibition candidate on the Democratic ticket, is placed in the position of running ahead of Governor nominee J. C. B. Ehringhaus, as returns from over the State are being whipped into tabulations, winning easily over his dry opponent, Hon. Jake F. Newell.

ROOSEVELT WILL HAVE A DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS

Radio reports at 10 o'clock Tuesday night, supplemented by press dispatches made practically certain that Franklin D. Roosevelt will have solid support in the new Congress which convenes after his inauguration on the fourth of March. The majority in the House of Representatives is placed at around 100, while it is predicted that 25 more Democrats than Republicans will occupy Senate seats.

MRS. LENTZ BURIED

Funeral services for Mrs. Wiley Lentz were to be conducted from the German Reform Church at Blowing Rock Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, according to meager press-time reports. The aged lady died Tuesday evening after a brief illness. Further details are unavailable.

Miss Mabel Hardy returned Wednesday from Wilkesboro where she had visited for several days with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Yates.

Wins Easily



BOB REYNOLDS

DETAILS OF FATAL SHOOTING HIDDEN

General Brown in County Jail Here Charged with Slaing of Father in Law Near Zionville. Does Not Discuss the Event.

General Brown, resident of the Zionville community, telephoned the sheriff Monday noon asking that he come and accompany him to the county jail, that he had killed his father-in-law, Dillon Pennell, and wished to surrender himself. The sheriff rushed to the scene of the homicide and found the body of Pennell near the home of the confessed slayer, death having resulted from a ball from a revolver.

A preliminary trial is to be held before C. F. Thompson, justice of the peace, Thursday. Meantime, the self-confessed slayer does not discuss events leading up to the shooting, neither do members of his family, who were present. Rumor has it however that Pennell had been under the influence of whiskey when he invaded the Brown home. There is no report of previous encounters between the two.

All Congressmen Apparently Safe. Bulwinkle Leads in Tenth.

A solid delegation of representatives in the lower house of Congress was garnered by the Democrats of North Carolina, the landslide in most instances being of great proportions. Returns are coming in to tabulating centers slowly, and little idea of the extent of the majorities is available.

There had been no fears of an adverse result by Democratic State Headquarters. However, in the Tenth District, where there was a hard fight between A. L. Bulwinkle and Charles A. Jonas, it was thought that perhaps Bulwinkle would show a big loss in view of reported organized opposition of veterans, on account of his stand against the cash payment of the bonus. However, incomplete returns indicate that Mr. Bulwinkle is ahead of his opponent at this time by about 20,000 votes.

Cutting Scrape Engaged In at Deep Gap Polls

Quince Tucker is thought to be seriously injured, Miss Maude Watson and Mrs. Charles Carlton suffered lesser injuries from waving knives, when a practically free-for-all fight was engaged in Tuesday while the election was in progress at the Deep Gap consolidated School. Bystanders were unable to state just what the cause of the family fracas was. Mr. Tucker suffered several stabs in the abdominal region and received medical attention in Boone, where it was thought his injuries might be serious. Miss Watson came near suffering a severed jugular, while Mrs. Carlton received a slash on the arm. The women are alleged to have been assaulted by Mrs. Finis Carroll.

INJURED IN FALL

Mr. Cluster Baird of Valle Crucis was believed to have been rather seriously injured when a broken floor plank caused him to fall a distance of several feet from his porch Tuesday night. The injured man was being taken to the Banner Elk Hospital and it was feared that he had sustained severe injuries to his spinal column.

G.O.P. Trails Far Behind In the Nation

New York.—Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt's overwhelming election as President of the United States was indicated at an early hour last night as returns began to come in from all sections of the nation.

At 12:02 a. m. President Hoover conceded defeat and wired his congratulations to Governor Roosevelt.

The tide of discontent arising from the depression was so strong that even the whirlwind campaign which President Hoover made in closing days of the campaign seemed to have been futile.

Roosevelt appeared to have carried Illinois in addition to New York, border states and the South. Further, he had swept a large number of other states, according to early indications. Roosevelt was leading in states which cast 402 electoral votes. Eighty-three electoral votes are controlled by the states in which Hoover is leading.

The division of states was as follows:

Roosevelt—Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Hoover—Delaware, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

Spectacular Campaign

Thus for the fifth time since the Civil War a Democratic candidate has claimed the occupation of the White House, and the campaign in which he had a majority of the "breaks" was one of the most tense of American political history. For more than two weeks the feeling that Roosevelt would win has spurred administration leaders to a desperate and futile attempt to try to stem the tide of a revolting populace, and Democratic orators have preached the doctrine of discontent and new economic policies from a thousand pulpits.

McADOO WINS

William C. McAdoo, Democrat, was swept into the United States Senate Tuesday as the California sweep to Roosevelt became certain. McAdoo was not generally believed to have more than a fighting chance of victory, and his success indicates the intensity of the Roosevelt stampede in the President's home State.

BOONE HIGH SCHOOL WINS FROM TAYLORSVILLE HIGH

In a hard fought football game, Boone High School defeated Taylorsville High, 19 to 0, last Friday afternoon. The game was featured by a good running and passing attack by both teams.

The scoring started early in the first quarter as the result of a thirty-yard pass from Crowell to Critcher, then Critcher slid off tackle for 30 more yards and on the next play carried the ball over from about the four yard line.

Our New Governor



J. C. B. EHRLINGHAUS