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WATAUGA TURNS THUMBS DOWN ON 2 AMENDMENTS

Proposed Change in Constitution Which Would Give Women Jury Rights Defeated Here by 148 Votes; Larger Majority Against Pay for Legislators

Watauga county voted substantially against the amendment which would alter the constitution so as to permit women to do jury duty in the courts of the state, when the issue was presented to the voters in the general election, exactly 2,000 voters favoring the proposal, and 2,148 against, for a negative majority of 148.

The amendment which would raise the pay of members of the assembly from ten to twenty dollars a day, received more hostile treatment at the hands of the local voters, who evidently figured that their representatives were receiving enough, for this proposal was rejected by a majority of 578, which is likely enough to seal the doom of the amendment which is having a nip and tuck fight as the late returns trickle in to Raleigh.

The total vote cast here for the amendment was 1,577, with 2,155 voting negatively.

It is recalled that in 1928 when the amendment was adopted raising the pay of members of the assembly from \$4.00 to \$10.00 per day for 60 days, the late returns from Watauga saved the day for the measure.

AMENDMENT TO INCREASE ASSEMBLY PAY DEFEATED

Raleigh, Nov. 12—An amendment to the state constitution authorizing the payment of \$10 a day expenses to members of the general assembly apparently was defeated in the Nov. 5 general election by the narrow margin of 916 votes, an unofficial compilation of election returns showed today.

Returns from all of the 1,929 precincts in the state showed that a total of 143,014 voters favored the amendment and 143,930 opposed it.

Meanwhile, another amendment to give women the right to serve on juries apparently was approved overwhelmingly.

Mountaineers To Meet Milligan in Elizabethton Tenn.

Milligan College and Appalachian State, two age-old gridiron rivals, will clash on the Bemberg-Glandstoft athletic field in Elizabethton, Tennessee Saturday night at 8:00 o'clock.

Coach "Flucie" Stewart has been sending his charges through long hard practices during the week and expects them to go in to this week-end's action in top shape. The Mountaineers made an excellent showing at Western Carolina Teachers College last week as they downed the Catamounts 42 to 6. No impressive injuries were present after this conquest and the usual starters will go into action against the Tennessee gridder.

John Hollars, hard-driving back of the Boone forces, is expected to be one of the main cogs in the Appalachian offensive machine, while the hopes of Milligan fans are in Holsclaw, brilliant back-field star, who leads the smooth-ticking aerial attack of the Tennesseans.

Crippled Children's Clinic Set for Nov. 20

Dr. John S. Gaul will again hold the crippled children's clinic on Wednesday, November 20th at 1:30 p. m. Those wishing to attend this clinic will please register in the office of the health department at 1:00 o'clock.

X-Ray Clinic

The health department gives report on the chest clinic which was held September 24, 1946.

There were 108 x-rays done, 107 white and 1 colored. Out of this number six were found to have tuberculosis. Two of these were children and four adults. Twenty-four were found to have inactive type tuberculosis and were advised to have re-examinations. Sixty-four patients X-rayed were within normal limits.

SQUARE DANCE

There will be a square dance at the Valle Crucis Mission school next Saturday evening at 7:30.

SOME OF THE WINNERS



Pictured here are some of those who were victorious in the Watauga county election last week. Representative S. C. Eggers won by 225; Wade E. Brown carried the county for the senate by two votes—the district by 888. Bottom left, Richard E. Kelley, Democrat, had the distinction of running on both tickets for coroner, and thus secured the total vote of both parties, while Sheriff C. M. Watson, lower right, was re-elected by a majority of 147.

PRICE AND WAGE CEILINGS JUNKED

Rents, Rice and Sugar To Remain Controlled; Truman Explains Action

Washington, Nov. 9.—Price ceilings on everything except dwellings, sugar and rice were wiped away completely by President Truman tonight in one sweeping order which spelled the speedy end of OPA.

All government controls on wages and salaries, too, were abolished except in cases of government seizure, like the soft coal mines. Thus the wage stabilization board goes out of business.

While the OPA rent ceilings will be continued, Mr. Truman indicated that they may be increased—"It may be that some adjustment of rent will be required," he said. But Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt announced that the sales and rental ceilings on new homes built under the veterans emergency housing program will stay as is.

The decontrol action of President Truman tonight removes price ceilings from:

Building materials and lumber, all textiles and apparel, consumer durable goods such as electric refrigerators, washing machines, etc.; household furniture, heavy machinery and equipment not previously decontrolled and farm machinery and equipment.

Automobiles, basic metals, newsprint and other paper products, tires and other rubber items, all chemicals and drugs, coal and coke, transportation and laundry and dry cleaning and repair services.

Scout Executive To Speak to Local Lions

O. B. Gorman, deputy regional scout executive, region six, Boy Scouts of America, will be the guest speaker for the Boone Lions Club Tuesday evening November 19, it is announced this morning.

RUFUS LEWIS FREE

Rufus Lewis of Tampa, Fla., is spending a few days with relatives in Meat Camp township, and states that his period of parole from state prison has been terminated. He was paroled four years ago from a 30-year sentence passed in connection with the shooting of Hill Hagaman, Boone policeman, several years ago. Since he was paroled he has been engaged in the radio repair business in Tampa.

Government grants retroactive vacation pay to miners.

MUSIC CONTEST WINNERS NAMED

Appalachian High Takes Many Honors at Music Festival Held at ASTC

Winners in the music festival, which was the first presentation of the year of the recently reorganized Appalachian High School Association, held at Appalachian College Monday of last week, have been announced by Miss Virginia Wary, director of the event.

The festival was a decided success, and much interest and enthusiasm was shown by those who participated, as well as by those who attended. Approximately 250 students, representing six schools in Ashe, Avery and Watauga, took part in the program. The quality of the music and the standard performance exhibited decided improvement over that of previous years.

Awards were presented to the groups and individuals receiving highest ratings as follows:

Appalachian high—mixed chorus; girl's chorus; boys' chorus; girl's small vocal ensemble; boys' small voice ensemble; vocal solo ensemble.

West Jefferson—mixed chorus; girl's chorus; duet.

Blowing Rock—girl's quintet; girl's trio, and girl's quartet.

Crossnore—Girl's small vocal ensemble, and mixed quartet.

Boone—Vocal solo, unchanged voice, Billie Crawford; soprano solos, Mary Joe Gross and Nell Norris; alto solo, Erma Norris; tenor solo, Raymond Conner; baritone solo, David Edmisten; bass solo, Pete Storie; piano duet, Nell Norris and Erma Norris; piano solo, Reba Smith.

West Jefferson—Baritone solo, Basil Barr; instrumental ensemble; instrumental solo, saxophone solo.

Union Thanksgiving Service Is Arranged

A union Thanksgiving service will be held at the Boone Methodist Church Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving, it is announced. Rev. S. B. Moss, Methodist pastor, will have charge of the service.

PTA Holds Meeting On Monday Evening

The Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet Thursday November 14th at 7:30 p. m. at the Legion Hut. All members are asked to attend.

GREENE CONGRATULATES DOUGHTON ON VICTORY

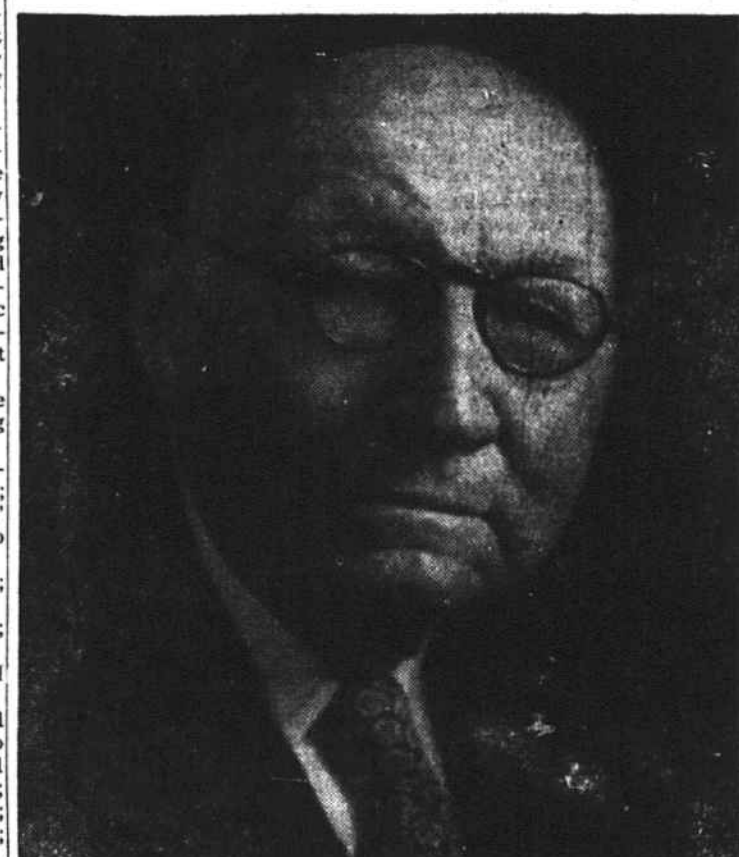
Clyde R. Greene, Boone merchant, who unsuccessfully opposed Congressman Doughton for the ninth district seat held by the veteran son for 36 years, sent the following telegram to Mr. Doughton Wednesday, when returns indicated his defeat: "Congratulations upon your re-election. It is a signal honor to represent the ninth North Carolina district in the congress for 38 years."

NEW HOURS OBSERVED AT COMPENSATION OFFICE

Effective as of November 16, office hours of the Unemployment Compensation Commission in the USES office in Boone, will be 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Monday through Friday, inclusive, and 9 to 1 o'clock on Saturdays.

Eggers Leads County Ticket With 225; Brown Has Majority of Two; All Other Republicans Winners

WINS 19TH TERM IN CONGRESS



Representative Robert L. Doughton, who defeated Clyde R. Greene, to enter upon his 19th term as representative from the ninth congressional district. Mr. Doughton has been chairman of the ways and means committee for 14 years, longer than any other man in the history of the government, but with Republican organization of the congress, this position will fall to Representative Knudsen of Minnesota.

GREENE LEADS GOP FIELD HERE

Candidate for Congress Runs High in County With a 416 Majority Over Doughton

Clyde R. Greene, local hardware merchant and candidate for congress against Representative R. L. Doughton, received more votes than any other local candidate in last week's election, his majority being 416, just 36 less than the 452 amassed by E. C. McCall in the 1944 election. The official vote for congress by townships follows:

PRECINCT	Doughton	Greene
Bald Mountain	88	92
Beaver Dam	299	131
Blue Ridge	29	249
Blowing Rock	199	191
Boone	642	317
Brushy Fork	288	158
Cove Creek	391	389
Elk	21	157
Laurel Creek	234	258
Meat Camp 1	276	281
Meat Camp 2	38	387
New River	285	342
North Fork	14	108
Shawneehaw	70	183
Stony Fork	164	387
Watauga	232	408
Total	3270	3686
Majority		416

FEDERAL COURT JURY IS NAMED

Number of Wataugans To Serve at Middle District Court During Next Week

The Middle District Federal Court will convene in Wilkesboro Monday, Nov. 18, with Judge Johnson J. Hayes presiding, and the following Watauga county men have been selected for jury service during the term:

Walter Hollars, Blowing Rock; Butler Craig, Blowing Rock; Noah Church, Shulls Mills; Wade Moretz, Zionville; Elmer Miller, Blowing Rock; James M. Burchette, Mabel; Vester O. Phillips, Laxon; James M. Storie, Boone; Stacey C. Ford, Blowing Rock; Milton Young, Boone; Mose Main, Tamarack.

Wildlife Club To Show Outdoor Films

The Watauga Wildlife Club will meet Thursday evening November 21, at 7:30 o'clock at the county courthouse, it is announced by W. R. Richardson, club president.

The principal feature of the gathering will be three movie reels on hunting and fishing. The general public is invited, and there will be no admission charge.

Official Canvass of Votes Made Tuesday Show Status of Candidates; Republican Candidates for County Commissioners Have Average Majority of 167

Representative S. C. Eggers led the Republican ticket in the county, with a majority of 225 votes over Lester Carroll, it was revealed Tuesday, when the Board of Elections completed the canvass of the ballots cast a week ago.

Clyde R. Greene, candidate for Congress, whose name appeared on the State ballot, received the largest majority of any local candidate, 416.

Wade E. Brown, candidate for the State Senate on the Democratic ticket received a majority of 2 over Paul Swanson, carrying Ashe county by 222 and Alleghany by 664, making a total majority in the district of 886. The Republican candidate was elected in this district in 1944.

In connection with Mr. Brown's slender majority, Harrison Baker, Democratic leader in New River township, recalls that many years ago he lost a seat on the board of commissioners to the late L. A. Greene by 1 vote, and that the race would have been a tie but for the fact that he refrained from casting his own vote for himself.

Fred Gragg won the Clerkship of the Superior Court over Pete Coffey by a majority of 156; Sheriff C. M. Watson defeated Albert Henson by 147; Richard Kelley, Democrat, nominated on both tickets for coroner garnered 5179 votes; Jack Storie led Don Thompson for surveyor by 129; while Republican candidates for county commissioner received majorities as follows:

A. G. Miller 175; H. O. Aldridge 169; Rufus M. Ward 158. James C. Farthing of Lenoir, unopposed candidate for Solicitor of this district received 3440 votes.

The various officers will enter upon their duties the first Monday in December.

Officers of Farmers Warehouse Meet

The officers and directors of the new Farmers Burley Warehouse, Incorporated held a special meeting in the offices of Attorney Louis H. Smith, at Boone, Saturday, November 2, 1946. Progress of the corporation from its formation last February to date was reviewed and plans were laid for the operation of their warehouses for the ensuing season. The officers expressed themselves as well pleased with the outlook.

Mr. A. G. Wright was elected secretary and treasurer to succeed Mr. O. L. Badgett, resigned. The officers of the new corporation are: Mr. C. C. Taylor, president; Mr. Rex Taylor, vice-president; Mr. A. G. Wright, secretary and treasurer.

Farmers burley warehouse incorporated was organized the first part of this year. Its principal offices have been maintained in Boone, N. C. The authorized capital stock of the corporation is over one hundred thousand dollars, the majority of which has been paid in.

Aged Colored Man Is Killed by Automobile

North Wilkesboro, N. C., November 11.—Charlie Horton, aged colored man who had been making his home with relatives here and at Boone, was instantly killed Saturday, 11 a. m., when he was hit by a taxi near the corner of Main and Fourth street.

Roy Estel Mabe, local taxi driver, was arrested and held under bond on charges of speeding and manslaughter.

Police Chief J. E. Walker said that evidence indicated that Horton walked from between a pickup and truck into the center of Main street, where he was hit by the left front side of the taxi traveling east.

The truck and pickup were stopped for the traffic light and were headed west on Main street. Witnesses said that the taxi went under the changing light and struck Horton as he was crossing to the south side of the street.

Funeral arrangements for Horton had not been completed this morning.

Official Vote of Watauga County In the November 5 Election

PRECINCT	Senate		House		Sheriff	Clerk	Surveyor	Commissioners								
	Brown, D	Swanson, R	Carroll, D	Eggers, R				Henson, D	Watson, R	Coffey, D	Gragg, R	Thompson, D	Storie, R	Wellborn, D	Vannoy, D	Johnson, D
Bald Mountain	86	93	85	95	83	92	83	94	85	92	83	82	81	95	92	92
Beaver Dam	361	107	355	111	364	96	359	106	359	106	359	360	364	104	105	105
Blowing Rock	206	184	192	194	185	206	202	186	196	188	192	192	195	190	190	190
Blue Ridge	28	247	28	248	28	243	28	247	28	247	28	28	28	246	246	247
Boone	678	274	624	325	629	330	645	308	641	309	639	638	630	317	313	307
Brushy Fork	294	448	281	157	288	152	283	158	285	152	287	295	280	158	155	155
Cove Creek	504	410	499	412	506	400	492	417	508	409	492	492	498	420	417	416
Elk	21	157	21	157	21	155	21	157	21	157	21	21	21	157	157	157
Laurel Creek	237	257	233	258	235	258	235	258	235	259	231	235	234	259	258	263
Meat Camp No. 1	277	273	269	279	273	278	276	277	277	274	280	281	279	276	274	274
Meat Camp No. 2	41	36	42	35	41	36	41	35	41	36	41	41	41	35	35	35
New River	322	330	312	331	320	326	319	331	316	328	319	319	318	324	330	327
North Fork	14	109	12	109	15	102	14	109	14	109	14	14	14	109	109	109
Shawneehaw	71	184	67	178	72	182	69	184	70	183	70	71	69	182	183	182
Stony Fork	171	370	164	375	166	372	169	377	164	377	180	164	158	369	376	369
Watauga	275	405	261	406	262	407	261	408	263	406	260	261	265	410	413	411
Totals	3586	3584	3445	3670	3488	3635	3497	3653	3503	3632	3496	3484	3481	3671	3653	3639
Majority			2		225		147		155		129					