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Small Town And Country Sentiment For Roosevelt

Percentage Batters Other Polls

With the national presidential election less than two weeks away the weekly newspapers' nationwide poll is piling up impressive totals for the consideration of political minded folks everywhere. The votes in this weekly newspaper poll represent the run of the tide in small town and rural America. THE FRANKLIN TIMES together with some 2,000 weekly newspapers located in states throughout the nation has been conducting this straw-vote test for the last several weeks, with the Publishers Autocaster Newspaper Service in New York operating as national headquarters.

Votes tabulated from 36 states for a total of 129,490 received show: Roosevelt 77,331 Hoover 52,159

The weekly newspaper straw-vote returns this week bear out an early indication that Roosevelt may expect as much support—and a little bit more, from small towns and rural districts as he has received in large city and thickly-populated district polls. In other words, The Literary Digest poll showed Roosevelt in mid-October with 53.54% of the vote cast to Hoover's 39.39% of the total of 1,983,634 votes cast. In the Hearst newspaper poll of larger cities, Roosevelt with 58% leads Hoover with 42% in a total of approximately 500,000 votes cast. The weekly newspaper poll this week with a total of 129,490 votes show Roosevelt leading 59.8% to Hoover's 41.2%.

But here are the actual figures in the weekly newspaper poll. They show returns from 36 states:

State	Hoover	Roosevelt
California	2,579	4,713
Colorado	431	537
Connecticut	1,152	745
Florida	211	904
Georgia	169	963
Idaho	281	479
Indiana	2,920	4,157
Illinois	6,892	3,259
Iowa	3,569	4,312
Kansas	2,389	3,863
Kentucky	1,566	2,734
Maine	997	701
Maryland	283	561
Massachusetts	2,931	2,032
Montana	450	890
Michigan	807	2,122
Minnesota	2,988	4,177
Mississippi	187	852
Missouri	450	890
Nebraska	684	1,926
New Hampshire	175	381
New Jersey	709	513
New Mexico	25	350
New York	8,213	9,444
N. Carolina	377	2,104
N. Dakota	433	761
Ohio	3,828	7,937
Pennsylvania	2,791	3,573
S. Carolina	117	516
Tenn.	718	3,003
Texas	395	1,926
Utah	189	339
Virginia	765	1,902
Washington	832	1,387
W. Virginia	341	2,526
Wisconsin	597	1,710
Wyoming	201	274
Total	52,159	77,331

As shown by the table above, Roosevelt is leading in thirty states to six for Hoover. The Hoover states are Connecticut, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New Hampshire. This is directly in line with The Literary Digest poll except that The Digest shows Hoover leading in only New Jersey outside the New England states which the weekly poll shows Hoover leading in Illinois as well as New Jersey outside New England states.

Republican leaders scoff at the idea that Hoover will fail to carry a greater number of states than is shown in any of the polls and perhaps rightly so. However, if Hoover carries no more states than the different straw-votes now indicate he will have less than 100 Electoral Votes of the 266 necessary for election.

There are 531 Electoral Votes of the States. These have been reapportioned since the 1928 election, due to population changes. New York state has the greatest vote with 47. Pennsylvania has 36; Illinois, 29; Ohio, 26; Texas, 23; California, 22 and Michigan, 19.

With the election so near at hand, the table of electoral votes of the state will perhaps be of interest to the readers of THE TIMES. It is therefore printed herewith, showing the present electoral vote count, also the loss and gain in votes by the various states since the national election in 1928.

State	Present Electoral	Loss or Gain
Alabama	11	—
Arizona	3	—
Arkansas	9	—
California	22	X9



Two very informal pictures of the presidential candidates, President Hoover and Franklin D. Roosevelt, as they started on their final drive to win votes for the Republican and Democratic tickets. Here they are, two aggressive candidates... so take your choice.

Home Coming At College

Louisburg College will celebrate its annual Home Coming event Friday and Saturday, October 28 and 29th.

The College has celebrated this occasion in the past with a formal reception; but this year the program will take the form of a house warming, Friday, at which time all the College buildings will be open for inspection, the faculty and organizations acting as hosts.

Saturday morning the Alumni of the Kappa and Sigma sororities will be the guests of their Chapters at a breakfast. In the afternoon the football game with Oak Ridge Institute will be played at 2:30 o'clock. This promises to be an unusually interesting game, and the Alumni and friends of the College are cordially invited to attend these functions of the new Louisburg College.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All Saint's Day will be observed at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday morning at the Holy Communion Service at eleven o'clock. The other services there Sunday will only be Sunday School at 10 a. m. and Y. P. S. L. 7 p. m., according to the announcements of the rector, Rev. J. D. Miller.

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

"What is the true health of Men?", Rev. D. P. Harris' sermon topic for Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock at the Louisburg Baptist church, promises an interesting message to the church goes Sunday morning, also at 7:30 p. m., his evening sermon on "The Labor that Wearies." Other services for Sunday: there are Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. and B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.

Colorado	6	...
Connecticut	3	X1
Delaware	3	...
Florida	7	X1
Georgia	12	...
Idaho	4	...
Illinois	29	...
Indiana	14	...
Iowa	11	...
Kansas	9	...
Kentucky	11	...
Louisiana	10	...
Maine	5	...
Maryland	8	...
Massachusetts	17	...
Michigan	19	X4
Minnesota	11	...
Mississippi	9	...
Missouri	15	...
Montana	4	...
Nebraska	7	...
Nevada	3	...
New Hampshire	4	...
New Jersey	16	X3
New Mexico	3	...
New York	47	X2
N. Carolina	13	X1
N. Dakota	4	...
Ohio	26	X2
Oregon	5	...
Pennsylvania	36	...
Rhode Island	4	...
Oklahoma	11	X1
S. Carolina	8	...
S. Dakota	4	...
Tenn.	11	...
Texas	23	X3
Utah	4	...
Vermont	3	...
Virginia	11	...
Washington	8	X1
W. Virginia	8	...
Wisconsin	12	...
Wyoming	3	...
Total	531	...

Necessary for election 266.

Recorder's Court

Monday presented one of the largest dockets that has been before Franklin Recorder's Court for a long while, but was speedily disposed of as follows:

J. H. Dupree was found guilty of reckless driving and violating prohibition law, prayer for judgment was continued.

George Davis, assault with deadly weapon, 60 days on roads, upon payment of costs execution of road sentence to issue only on order of this court.

Ollie Wrenn, was adjudged guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey, 60 days on roads, upon payment of \$25 fine and costs, execution of road sentence to issue only on order of court.

John Johnson was found not guilty of a charge of unlawful possession of whiskey.

Romas Thomas was found not guilty of distilling.

Charlie Jones was found guilty of distilling and violating prohibition law, prayer for judgment continued.

Fred Harris was found guilty of distilling, prayer for judgment continued.

Wiley Pearce was found guilty of distilling and violating prohibition law, prayer for judgment was continued.

Frank May was found guilty of distilling, prayer for judgment continued.

Walter Strickland, assault with deadly weapon, guilty, 60 days on roads.

Walter Strickland, plead guilty to carrying concealed weapons, 60 days on roads.

Johnnie Mitchell and Sidney Collins charged with larceny and receiving, warrant amended to charge felony and transferred to Superior Court.

Matilda Hayes and Son Perry were found guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey, Hayes was given 30 days in jail, Perry was discharged upon payment of costs.

Billie Murphy, aiding and abetting in distilling, second offense, transferred to Superior Court.

Claude Tharrington, upon payment of \$15 into Court for use of Tom Harris by December 1st, to be continued under former order.

The following cases were continued: W. W. Umphlet, operating automobile intoxicated.

J. H. Dupree, hit and run, operating automobile intoxicated.

Earlie Collins, operating automobile intoxicated.

Lee Burt Griffin, operating automobile intoxicated.

R. A. Cannon, removing goods.

J. K. Cannon, removing goods.

Hampton Smith, assault with deadly weapon and carrying concealed weapons.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

If people appreciated the Church at its full value to a community there would never be a vacant seat at a regular service. The most valuable asset in any community is the church. It makes your business worth while; it keeps your property valuations up; it is the power underlying your schools; it is the best police protection in your community. Then you are under obligations to support with your means and your presence at its services.

All regular services next Sunday. Be in your place.

T. A. SIKES, Pastor.

Meedames C. A. Ragland, Hazel W. Ford, W. B. Barrow and T. C. Alston attended the Central District P. T. A. Meeting held in Spring Hope on Tuesday of this week.

Whit Not Guilty

NOL PROS TAKEN AS TO HARRIS

Grand Jury Makes Report On Many Vital Questions—Many Cases Disposed Of—Solicitor Makes Report

Since our last report the following cases were taken up and disposed of in Franklin's Superior Court before it took final adjournment Saturday. The case of murder against Kenneth Whit, in which it was attempted to place the responsibility of the death of William Tharrington, which occurred near Franklin about a year ago this past summer, failed, and a verdict of not guilty directed, after a motion for non suit had been allowed. Following this a nol pros was taken against Clifton Harris, who was under a like charge for the same offense. The docket was disposed of as follows, including sentences passed in cases found guilty earlier in the week:

Peeland Perry, larceny and receiving, guilty, 2 years on roads.

Merland Griffin and Eddie Griffin, larceny and receiving, discharged.

Bennie Brown and Jack Leonard housebreaking and larceny, 12 months each on roads.

A. Denton and Garland Tant, larceny and receiving, 12 months on roads as to each.

Bill Denton, larceny and receiving, not guilty.

Harvey Perry, larceny and receiving, sent to Eastern-Carolina Training school for 18 months.

H. B. Maulsby, embezzlement, 12 months on roads to be suspended upon payment of \$41 to the use of Kitchens Chapel Church.

Kenneth Whit, murder, not guilty.

A nol pros was taken in the case of murder against Clifton Harris.

This completed the work for the term and Court adjourned the October term.

Grand Jury Report.

The Grand Jury completed its work Friday afternoon and submitted the following report which was received:

Hon. N. A. Sinclair, Judge Presiding, October Term Franklin County Superior Court.

We the Grand Jury drawn for October term of Superior Court beg to submit the following report:

We have visited the County Jail, County Home and State prison camp and find them in good sanitary condition. We find that the Jail walls inside are in bad condition on account of leaks from roof and recommend that same be looked after at once. We advise that barrel of disinfectant which is said to be inflammable be removed to rear of jail.

We found 8 white prisoners and 7 colored who stated that they were being well cared for.

At the State prison camp we found 80 colored men prisoners, 10 guards, 1 Supt. and 1 Asst. Supt. All prisoners slept in one wooden building with 3 guards on duty at night awake and 4 others which slept in building and were available at all times in case of fire or other trouble. The sanitary condition was extra good.

At the County Home we found 15 white inmates and 11 colored all apparently well cared for and satisfied. We found the grounds around the building well kept, plenty of growing vegetables such as turnips, cabbage, collards and potatoes. There were 9 hogs to be killed which would average around 200 lbs each, they were milking 3 cows, and we think the Supt. and his wife deserve special credit for the manner in which the home and inmates are kept.

We have visited the various offices of the County, namely: Sheriff and Tax Collectors office, Clerk of the Court, Register of Deeds, County Accountant, Welfare Office, Supt. of Schools, and find them well kept with the proper records as far as we could ascertain and we recommend that each of the Officers be required to make a quarterly report and have same published. The above also applies to the Health and Home Demonstration offices.

We visited practically every school in the County and found them in good condition with the exceptions noted below. We found 48 trucks being used transporting children to and from school all being operated with drivers 16 years old or more. We found 2 trucks at Mills High School with no brakes and no horns, also one of the trucks had 2 bad tires. One truck at White Level was overloaded. Truck No. 43 at Gold Sand horn not operating.

Truck No. 25, brakes not good, one tire bad. Truck No. 23, brakes not good. At Edward Best High School, Truck No. 10 had one bad tire, No. 12 brakes not very good, No. 14 one tire bad. At Justice, Truck No. 9 brakes not good. At Centerville, we found 78 children having to use 1 bucket and 1 dipper and we found the toilet in bad condition. We

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Mrs. Brodie Speaks About School Conditions

TO FRANKLIN COUNTY FEDERATION WOMEN

Hon. W. L. Lumpkin Makes Interesting Address—Spectacular Program Enjoyed By Large Number.

The Fall meeting of the Federation of Women's Club of Franklin County was held in the Home Economics rooms of Mills High School at Louisburg, Saturday, October 22nd, opening at 10:30 a. m. and closing at 2:30 in the afternoon.

The Federation was addressed by two very interesting speakers, Mrs. J. H. Brodie, of Henderson, and Hon. W. L. Lumpkin, Franklin County's Representative to the General Assembly. Mrs. Brodie spoke enthusiastically and informally to the Club women on "Beautification of the Home Grounds with Shrubbery". Mrs. Brodie, who is widely experienced and successful in this kind of work, gave many points of advice and instruction and suggestion to the women for beautifying their homes. She told that one could obtain the best effect with trees, shrubbery and grass, but cautioned that plans should be made before planting and that the work should be gradually done, for instance, doing some special part each year. Two points were given in favor of the blooming shrubs: first they are lovely to look at in the yard and second, they are pretty to cut for decorations in the house. Mrs. Brodie gave the plan of having evergreens as the background and the blooming shrubs showing against them, however, concentrating the planting against the house, along the drive or fence and at the front of the yard. Plans were given for the yard planting and, the speaker urged that beautifying the back yard be made an object in this work also. In closing her talk, Mrs. Brodie stated that North Carolina has more native resources than the average state, certainly in regard to shrub plants, and stressed that it was foolish not to use it, for wonderful effects can be obtained, she said, by using the native shrubs.

Following Mrs. Brodie's talk, Hon. W. L. Lumpkin addressed the club women on the main differences in the platforms of the two major parties and also the part of women in the politics of today, especially the part they should take. He explained the difference in the two parties, saying that the Republican party looks after the interest of the few and rich, enriching the few at the expense of the public, while the Democratic Party gives every man a chance and lets the individual few look after themselves. He stated that the essential difference in the platforms of the two parties was that of Tariff, the Republicans standing for high protective tariff and the Democrats being in favor of free trade. He explained the effect of the Hawley-Smoot Tariff bill upon the United States saying that it was greatly responsible for the breakdown in the conditions of the country. He urged the women of the County to register and vote, saying that it was nothing but fair and right that they should take part in the shaping of the destiny of the Nation and government since they too have to contribute to and abide by the laws and government. He spoke very confident saying that the Democratic party was expected to make a landslide in the election in November and also that the party was expected to do its duty. Mr. Lumpkin concluded his speech with his assurance that the work of the Woman's Clubs in the County was splendid and absolutely necessary, and urged that they stand up for their work and their Home agent, explaining that it was the only thing that they were asking for as a group.

Mrs. J. F. Mitchiner expressed the appreciations of the Federation for having the privilege of hearing Mr. Lumpkin and reminded him that they felt safe in sending him to the General Assembly to represent Franklin County.

At the business session held just before the program, presided over by Mrs. T. C. Gill, the president, the resignation of Mrs. H. W. Denton as secretary was accepted and Mrs. W. T. Person was unanimously elected to fill her unexpired term.

Following the delightful dinner served in the kitchen department of the school, the program was resumed, at which time announcements were made, a display of remodeled cloths was enjoyed, and reports from the Short Course at Raleigh by Mrs. B. M. C. Mullen and the trip to the Mountains by Mrs. W. H. Tharrington were heard.

The meeting was closed with the singing of the Federation Song composed by Mrs. John F. Mitchiner for the Franklin County Federation to the tune of the Battle Hymn of the Republic. The Bunn Club was represented by the majority of its members with 32 points, Mitchiner's Club second with 29.

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Chairman Johnson and Supt. Best Give Expressions In Connection With Grand Jury Report

The following interviews concerning the questions relative to the Franklin County schools as raised by the report of the Grand Jury, will, no doubt, give a little light on the situation as it really exists:

A. F. Johnson, Chairman of the Board of Education of Franklin County, being asked by the TIMES representative, his reaction to the report of the Grand Jury concerning schools, stated that he was "delighted to know that some other organization in the County has become enough interested in the schools to take time to visit them and make a report, even though they reported only the things that seemed bad to them. The trucks have just been taken from the County garage where they were completely rebuilt this summer and should be in good shape. In addition to requiring the drivers and the principals of each school to examine each truck daily and report the least needed repairs our truck mechanics are required to examine each truck in the County system from once to three times each week. Of course if any fault is not reported we can't know what to do. Nor do we feel like throwing a tire away because they are a little worn—the fact is some tires in this shape give better service than some entirely new. The sanitary conditions at and around the buildings should be improved. But in most cases, like the repair to buildings, costs money and the Board has no funds from which to provide these improvements. The roofs of some of the buildings are under a guarantee and only recently the roofing contractors have agreed to send down and repair the damage to these buildings.

"Some of this lack of repair the Board was aware of, others it was not; and will appreciate the information. It could not correct these conditions because of lack of funds. The State has only allotted to Franklin County what it can get out of the fines, dog tax and 80 per cent of the poll tax, for the maintenance of plant. These sources fail to supply half what is needed and today it is through the generosity of some of the insurance agencies that insurance is still carried on some of the buildings and some of the firms in supplying some necessary equipment—they to await indefinitely until we can get the money. The Board has no authority to levy a tax, or to borrow money for any purpose. The State recently supplemented this fund with around four hundred dollars after a great deal of effort had been exhausted in showing them it would have to be done or the schools affected would possibly have to be closed.

"The greatest value we see in this report is in its picture of the condition of the buildings. Of course no one expects the members of the Board of Education to remain at each building in order to see that it is not abused, neither can it hire a person to do so. Therefore it has to rely upon the officers and citizens of each community for protection to the school buildings. It is absolutely unreasonable and unjust for the windows to be broken out, doors taken off and the buildings otherwise desecrated, and should not be allowed. But the Board of Education will have to depend upon the officers and the people of each community, possibly some of these may be on some Grand Jury, at times for the detection and prosecution, or at least furnish the names and evidence upon which the Board can prosecute those who do abuse the property.

"It seems to me", he said, "that the Grand Jury could have secured information that would have been very beneficial in making its report, had it seen fit to call in some officer connected with the school system and ascertain the real facts surrounding the conditions."

The following letter from Supt. E. L. Best, has been directed by Mr. Mr. C. M. Gattis, Foreman of the Grand Jury:

"I have just received a copy of your Grand Jury's report made in open court to Hon. N. A. Sinclair, Friday, Oct. 21. I regret that illness kept me from being present when this report was made as I believe it is due the County Board of Education that the following explanation be made concerning the items in your report concerning brakes, horns and tires on school trucks, sanitary conditions and needed repairs on school buildings. I would have been glad to have appeared before your Grand Jury and talked over these details with you.

"Trucks: The Board of Education realizes the serious and difficult problem that school transportation

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