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LANDON RUNS STRONG IN POLL

National Tabulation Under Way

Scattered Returns From 23 States Disclose Vote Trend; Early Michigan Balloting Indicates Close November Battle Between Roosevelt and Landon; Voting Here Open To All

FRANKLIN COUNTY VOTE
 The votes for President received by the FRANKLIN TIMES to August 18th are as follows:
 Roosevelt—9.
 Landon—1.

(By John Thomas Wilson)
 New York, August 18.—First scattered returns in the Presidential poll, to reach Straw-Vote headquarters here this week, score Landon highest in the initial tabulation of the nation-wide weekly newspapers' poll.

Ballots were received and tabulated from 23 states. But votes in sufficient number to actually be considered indicative of what the final returns may show, were available in only five of those 23 states.

Nevertheless, on all returns from the 23 states, as between the two leading candidates only, the ballots show voters' choices as follows:

Landon 54%
 Roosevelt 46%

The 23 states from which first scattered ballots were received here for national tabulation are:

California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

Bearing out early surmises of political observers that support of the Union party candidate, Lemke would come from the small towns and rural America, the tabulations of first total returns from the same 23 states, discloses division of choices in this manner:

Landon 50.9%
 Roosevelt 43.5%
 Lemke 3.4%
 Thomas 0.13%
 Colvin 0.03%
 Browder 0.06%

In only one state, Michigan, of the 23 from which first returns were received here, was the vote of sufficient volume, at this early date, to warrant tabulation which might be considered an authoritative straw which accurately indicates the direction of the August political winds. The Michigan vote shows:

Landon 45.9%
 Roosevelt 45.5%
 Lemke 0.43%
 Thomas 0.24%
 Browder 0.19%

Another distribution of first returns from the 23 states, as between Roosevelt, Landon and Lemke only, shows:

Landon 52.2%
 Roosevelt 44.4%
 Lemke 0.34%

Poll Wide Spread
 The early interest shown in this poll by publishers throughout the country, plus the continued increase in the number of weekly newspapers that are cooperating, by conducting the straw-vote in their territories, indicates most clearly that the final returns in the nation-wide balloting will be the most representative pre-election expression of political sentiment ever tabulated from small towns and rural America in a national election year.

Extra effort has been made to keep this poll non-partisan in every respect. All weekly newspapers, whether they be Democratic, Republican or Independent in policy, have been invited to join in on the poll. Hundreds of them are now conducting their local polls. They will then forward their ballots to Publishers Autocaster Service, straw-vote headquarters in New York, for national tabulation.

Our Local Vote First
 Readers of the FRANKLIN TIMES may expect more and more interesting national returns in the weeks right ahead. This newspaper will give you week to week reports on the progress of the voting.

Have you yet voted? If not, then clip out the straw-vote ballot elsewhere in this paper, vote for your presidential choice, then mail or bring it to the Franklin Times.

You are not obligated in any manner by voting in this poll. You need not sign your name. You only write in the name of the town and the state from which you expect to vote in November. This is done to assist in an accurate tabulation of the national vote.

Every voter in Franklin County should cast a ballot in this poll. Voters in other states throughout the country are interested in knowing which candidate we favor here in Louisburg and North Carolina just as we are interested in learning of their choices.

Local Navy Man Drowning Victim

Ensign George T. Whitaker, Jr. Of Raleigh, Drowned On Pacific Coast

Ensign George Thomas Whitaker, Jr., young Naval officer of Raleigh was drowned late Wednesday while swimming at Coronado Beach, California, his parents here were notified yesterday by Navy authorities.

The body was recovered after a 24-hour search and will be sent to Franklinton, former home of his parents. Funeral arrangements were held in abeyance pending information regarding the time the body will arrive.

Only 24 years of age, Ensign Whitaker, who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Whitaker, of 211 North Blount Street, made his way up from the ranks of the Navy, completing his course at the Naval Academy, Annapolis one year ago. He was given his commission and assigned to the Cruiser Tuscaloosa, later being transferred to the Destroyer Simpson.

Six years ago, when young Whitaker decided upon a Naval Career, he failed in efforts to obtain a political appointment to Annapolis. He promptly enlisted in the service through the Raleigh station and went to Hampton Roads, where he won an appointment through competitive tests. When a minor defect of his teeth threatened to hold up his appointment, Ambassador Joseph Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy, intervened in his behalf and he was allowed to enter the Academy. He graduated with the class of 1935.

A telegram sent to his parents indicated that Whitaker was caught in a rip tide while in bathing, but particulars were not given. He was transferred only recently to the destroyer division. Whitaker is survived by his parents and two sisters, Miss Kathryn Whitaker, 21, and Virginia Whitaker, 12.—News-Observer.

Work Begins

Work begun in full blast on the Court House project again Monday morning and is being rushed. It is understood the work will be pushed as rapidly as possible to an early completion.

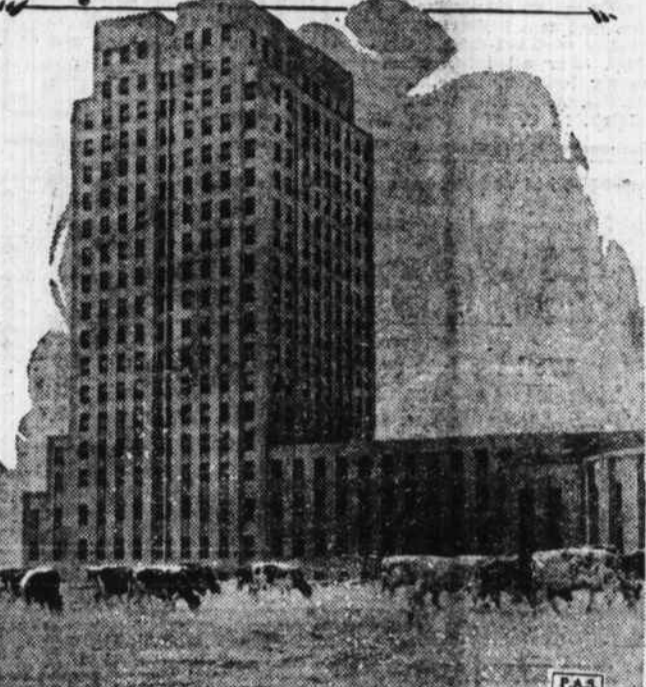
Recorder's Court

The following cases were disposed of in Franklin Recorder's Court Tuesday:
 Louis Williams was found guilty of operating automobile intoxicated and given 4 months on roads.
 Raymond Stewart reckless driving, nol pros.
 Henry Fowler, cursing, P S L, D and D, remanded to J. R. Pearce, O. P.
 The following cases were continued:
 Plummer Marshall, F and A.
 Henry Smith, P S L for sale.
 Jeff Webb, P S L for sale.
 Manuel Debnam, assault with deadly weapons.
 In the absence of Mr. Chas. P. Green, Prosecuting Attorney, Mr. E. C. Bulluck, ably prosecuted the docket.

FRANKLIN COUNTY UNION

The next meeting of the Franklin County Union will be held with Poplar Springs Baptist Church on August 29th, 1936, with the following program:
 1. What is a new testament church?—Rev. J. F. Roach.
 2. The new testament standard for a church as an organization—Rev. L. B. Reavis.
 3. The new testament standard for a church—Rev. C. B. Howard.
 4. The new testament church at its teaching-task—Rev. C. E. Crawford.
 5. The new testament church at its training-task—Rev. John Edwards.
 6. The new testament church facing moral issues—Dr. W. L. Poteat.
 7. A world wide program for a new testament church—Ruffin Harper.

Drought Cattle Invade Capitol Grounds



BISMARCK, N. D. . . . Hungry cattle whose rangelands are now barren dust-covered plains, finally invaded the North Dakota state capitol grounds here last week, nibbling at such sparse grasses as had survived the scorching heat which gripped this state for weeks.

HELD WITH-OUT BOND

Sid Faulkner was given a preliminary hearing Saturday afternoon before Squire J. L. Palmer, under the charges alleging him to be the murderer of his daughter Patti Mae Faulkner in March, 1935. After hearing the evidence Judge Palmer ordered the defendant held without bond for the investigation by the grand jury at October term of Franklin Superior Court. San Faulkner, brother of Sid, who told the story that led to Sid's arrest was not placed on the stand.

No August Court

The regular August term of Franklin Superior Court which was scheduled to convene on Monday, August 31st, for the trial of civil cases, was called off by Judge W. L. Small the past week, at the request of the local Bar Association, according to announcement of E. C. Bulluck, Secretary, at its meeting Monday. Judge Small will visit Louisburg on Sept. 12th, 1936 for the purpose of hearing motions or arguments in cases not needing juries. The TIMES is requested to state that no jurors drawn or summoned for the August term will be required or expected to attend.

Amateur Contest

Notice to everyone, men, women and children, old and young, in Louisburg and Franklin County. On the evening of Friday, August 28th there will be held at the Mills Auditorium in Louisburg an Amateur Contest, Beauty Show and Shirley Temple parade. The contest is sponsored by the Junior Women's League of Louisburg with Mrs. James B. King as director. The Beauty contestants are to be sponsored by leading merchants. The beauty winner will enter the State contest in November to be held in Durham with all expenses paid. The winner of the Shirley Temple contest will be given a Shirley Temple dress and will do the drawing that night for ten dollars to be given to some lucky person in the audience. The winner of the Amateur contest will also go to Durham with all expenses paid and will be given a broadcast with a chance to tour in vaudeville. All contestants for the Amateur contest in Louisburg and Franklin County are asked to send their name, address and talent to Mrs. James B. King, Louisburg.

Remember the date and place for an evening of fun, Friday evening, August 28th, Mills Auditorium.

Injured

James Brantley Collier, fifteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Collier, was painfully injured while playing Tuesday morning. It seems that while bathing in Tar River, he was swinging from a rope or vine before plunging into the water, and swung back against a limb, making an ugly wound in the region of his hips. At last reports he was resting well.

Girl—My little brother will tell if he sees you kissing me!
 Boy Friend—But I'm not kissing you!
 Girl—Well, I thought I'd tell you anyway.

COL. FRANCIS COOKE, DIES IN WASHINGTON

Retired Officer Had Served in Puerto Rico, Philippines, Hawaii and France.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Colonel Francis Neal Cooke, retired, died at Walter Reed Hospital yesterday at the age of 60.

Born in Louisburg, N. C., he was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1899 and commissioned in the infantry. He served at various posts in the United States, in Puerto Rico, the Philippines and Hawaii. During the World War he was on duty at Brest, commanding Fort Federa and commanding the port of Brest from May to September, 1919.

Colonel Cooke was a graduate of the artillery school, the coast artillery school, school of the line, command and general staff school and the Army and the Naval War Colleges. He was retired in 1929. His last duty was as executive officer of the Second Coast Artillery District at Fort Totten, N. Y.

His mother, Mrs. C. M. Cooke, and a brother, C. M. Cooke, Jr., both of Florence, S. C., survive. Interment followed at 10:15 a. m., August 17th, with full military honors, in Arlington National Cemetery, lot No. 3968, seventh section.—New York Times.

Col. Cooke was the son of the late Judge C. M. Cooke, and has many relatives and friends in Franklin who will regret to learn of his death.

Offices Moved

The County Accountant and Tax Collector's offices have been moved from the Court House to the offices in the rear of the Bank, formerly used by the Louisburg Production Credit Association. This move was made because of the work going on in remodeling the Court House, and will remain there until the building is completed, no doubt.

TO ATTEND MEMORIAL SERVICES

Many are making plans to attend the Memorial Services to the late Rev. George M. Duke, during the Home Coming Day at Maple Springs Baptist Church at Mapleville, according to reports being received. These services will be held on the fourth Sunday in August and the entire public is invited to attend. The TIMES is requested to state that all adjoining Churches are expected to bring baskets, as a big dinner will be served on the grounds.

WAR SCARE KEEPS PRESIDENT AT HOME

Hyde Park, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Critical conditions in war-torn Spain and Europe were disclosed authoritatively today to have prompted President Roosevelt to put a check on any plans that would call for his being far from Washington for any extended period.

This fact became known only five days after Mr. Roosevelt, in an address at Chautauqua, N. Y., asserted he was more gravely concerned over international tendencies than domestic problems. During a press conference today, however, the President said he had no new reports on the Spanish civil war, other than duplication of information in the press.

Spanish Situation Still Serious

Six-inch shells from the rebel cruiser Almirante Cervera silenced the guns of the government fortress of Guadalupe, defending the Irun-San Sebastian sector of Spain's Bay of Biscay today.

The fierce duel of big guns, ending in an apparent insurgent advantage, coincided with uncensored dispatches from Madrid which stated government leaders, fearing the fall of the capital, were reported to be holding three air liners in readiness for flight.

At Hendaia Beach, France, American Ambassador Claude G. Bowers set up a temporary embassy in a hotel after completing an evacuation of Spanish cities on the Bay of Biscay.

He added his personal denial to that of the Washington State Department concerning reports he had been ordered ashore from the cutter Cayuga, following a dispute with navy officials.

From their supreme headquarters at Burgos, meanwhile, members of the rebel junta announced they would inform foreign governments and the International Red Cross that Spanish government forces were using poison gas.

Heads of the beleaguered Madrid government were reported in uncensored advices reaching Gibraltar today to have three air liners in readiness for flight—in the event the capital falls.

The advices said rebels firmly entrenched in the Guadarama Mountains north of Madrid had only to await reinforcements from other sides of the capital before launching an attack which was deemed likely of success.

In any event it became apparent the government expected no quick victory. Today the Madrid authorities urged women of the nation to make ammunition and winter clothing and called for volunteers to form a new "battalion of red lions."

Up in the north of Spain, two rebel warships resumed a fierce gun duel with government land batteries defending the Irun-San Sebastian sector. It appeared the naval shells were finding their marks.

The first charge that either side was using gas came from rebel headquarters at Burgos, which contended the government air force had been dropping gas bombs. A Madrid official was quoted in a Paris dispatch as acknowledging tear gas bombs had been utilized in "defensive" fighting.

EDWARD W. GILLIAM DIES AT HOSPITAL

Franklinton Man Taken Ill While On Visit to Sister Here

Edward Wood Gilliam, 59, of Franklinton, died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Maria Parham hospital here after a brief illness of only a few days. He was taken ill while on a visit to his sister, Mrs. W. D. Burwell. He had been in failing health and some months ago had been treated at Duke hospital. His immediate illness here was rather sudden, however, and came as a surprise and shock to relatives and friends, resulting from a complication of diseases.

Mr. Gilliam was a native of Halifax, N. C., having been born February 5, 1877. He was a member of St. Marks Episcopal church here, and funeral services were held there at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, with interment in St. Marks cemetery at Halifax. Rev. Basil M. Walton, rector of an Episcopal church in Jacksonville, Fla., was in charge of the services.

His wife, who was Edith Adams Gilliam, is dead, and surviving is one son, Robert Adams, of Burlington; three brothers, George Gilliam, of Franklinton; Julian Gilliam, of Norfolk, and James Gilliam, of Forest City, Ark.; also three sisters, Mrs. W. D. Burwell, of Henderson; Mrs. Sterling Gary, of Halifax, and Mrs. Nettie Gilliam Moore.

Mr. Gilliam was known as a man of a most attractive personality, always very friendly and congenial and a keen sense of humor, which attracted friends easily. A host of acquaintances mourn with relatives the passing of Mr. Gilliam who had for years been a salesman of office supplies. He was a Mason and active in that fraternity until his health failed.

Pallbearers announced for the funeral were as follows: Active, Quenton Gregory, Joseph Butts, Henry Ferguson, of Halifax; Fletcher Gregory, John Fenner, Dr. White, honorary, Gideon Lamb, Dr. E. F. Fenner, A. A. Bunn, A. H. Cheek, all of Henderson; R. D. Collins, D. C. Hicks, A. H. Vann, Robert Rose, L. W. Henderson, Prof. G. B. Harris, Col. C. L. McGehee, all of Franklinton.—Gold Leaf, Henderson.

Messrs. Rufus B. Jennings, of Columbia, S. C., and Mr. E. T. Credle, of Henderson, were in Louisburg the past week making the transfer of the Secretary offices of the Louisburg N. F. L. Association and Franklin N. F. L. Association to a central office located in Henderson.

TOBACCO IN GEORGIA IS STILL HIGH

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 18.—Second week's sales of tobacco on the 15 South Georgia markets amounted to \$1,339,556 pounds for a total of \$7,264,013.68 for an average of \$23.17 per hundred pounds, the State Department of Agriculture reported today.

Sales for the first week were 25,318,196 pounds for a total of \$6,357,896.43 for an average of \$23.11 per hundred.

Tifton, leading volume market last year, led again on poundage sold last week, with a total of 3,782,582 pounds. The report showed Waycross had the top price average last week—26.34 cents a pound.

School Open 9th

Result of Meeting of Principals and Committeemen With Supt. Mills Friday

At a meeting of the Principals and Committeemen of the Franklin County Schools held on Friday with Superintendent W. R. Mills, it was decided that the Franklin County Public Schools would open for the beginning of the fall term on Wednesday, September 9th. The reason for the middle of the week starting, according to Supt. Mills, was in order that the children might assist with putting in and taking out tobacco the first of the week. Unless some local conditions makes a change necessary, all of the County public schools will open on the 9th.

Supt. Mills also stated that the text book would be handled this year the same as last year and that parents could buy or rent any or all books for their children.

The school authorities are hoping for a full and prompt attendance on the first day with a continuance throughout the year.

Seriously Injured

J. S. (Pig) Place was seriously injured Sunday afternoon when ran over by a car driven by a person said to be Willie Wilson, on the highway about three miles North of Ingleside. He received a fractured skull and other injuries and was taken to Community hospital, where he is receiving treatment. The reports of the accident show that Place and Howard Bridgen, who had been out riding had an accident at a point near Mr. Johnnie Wilson's on the Henderson highway and while Mr. Bridgen came to Louisburg for wrecker assistance Place remained at the car. While waiting he crossed the road just in time to step in front of the passing car. The Willie Wilson, it is said, was not the former County Commissioner.

LATER—Mr. Place died yesterday at the Community Hospital at 9:22 A. M.

Commits Suicide

Mark-B. King, 38, farmer living at the old Frank Davis home place about four miles North of Louisburg, committed suicide Tuesday night about 8:30 o'clock by blowing the top of his head off with a shot gun. No motive for the rash act was given. The shooting took place in the edge of the yard.

He leaves a wife and five little children.

NATHAN MAY DEAD

The remains of Nathan May, 52, who died at the State hospital in Raleigh Monday were brought through Louisburg Tuesday to Mr. Zion church where interment was made. Revs. Chas. B. Howard and J. H. Harper conducted the service. The pall bearers were nephews of the deceased.

He leaves a number of relatives who have the sympathy of friends in their bereavement.

MRS. HARRIS ENTERTAINS

On Saturday afternoon, Aug. 8th, Mrs. W. T. Harris entertained the members of her Sunday School class of little Beginners from 3 until 5 o'clock. They played many games and entered into several little contests. At the conclusion of the games and contests the little tots were served ice cream cones.

Those present were: Julia, Myrna and Edna Ayscue, Harold and Jean Hope Finch, Ellen Lancaster, Lucille and Owen Debnam, Ben Beasley, Bessie Mae Wrenn, Sara Ayscue, Miriam Rose Marks, Belvin, Nan, Dorsette, and J. W. Finch.

ADMITS KILLING

Connie Faison Held For Grand Jury

Coroner's Inquest Friday Released Robert Wiggins, Held Walter Williams as Witness and Required \$10,000 Bond of Faison

Tables were turned in the killing of Bickett Stallings at a Coroner's inquest Friday evening, when Coroner R. A. Bobbitt empaneled his jury composed of C. W. Lea, Sr., D. N. Nelms, M. G. Privett, J. A. Cash, B. P. Strickland and W. S. Boone, and heard the evidence of several witnesses. The evidence tended to show that a number of the neighborhood boys had gathered at Faison's home to "get" Robert Wiggins, who was expected there as the arguments started pretty soon after Robert arrived with many present to attend a "fish fry" or "watermelon cutting." One word brought on others until the cry "open the car door, pull him out and kill him," when Robert admitted shooting to scatter the crowd and ran, following this the shot gun was fired, and from all reports Robert killed Stallings. However the evidence disclosed sufficient information that caused the jury to render the following verdict:

"We the jury find that Bickett Stallings came to his death from a gun shot wound from a gun owned by Connie Faison and that there is probable cause to hold Connie Faison and Walter Williams as the guilty parties."

Following this verdict Connie Faison was allowed to give a \$10,000 bond, and Walter Williams a \$1,000 bond, which they failed to do, and were remanded to jail for the examination of the grand jury in October. Robert Wiggins was released, except as to a charge of assault with deadly weapon and was allowed to give a \$100 bond, which he did.

Saturday morning Deputy Sheriff P. E. Dean accompanied by J. C. Bartholomew visited the jail and talked to Faison, who, it is alleged, confessed that he shot the gun that killed Bickett Stallings, but that he was shooting at Robert Wiggins, whom he had ordered away from his home. Coroner Bobbitt stated following this confession that he was holding Williams mainly as a witness.

HOGS FROM THE DROUGHT AREA

By C. W. Boyce, Asst. Co. Agt. Mr. H. W. Taylor, Swine Extension Specialist from Raleigh, is now in the drought Area of Nebraska for the purpose of purchasing cooperatively for the farmers of North Carolina pigs for fattening. The farmers of Franklin County can send in an order through Mr. Taylor and have him to purchase the number of pigs desired weighing from 40 to 70 pounds.

Mr. Taylor is very familiar with swine and will do everything in his power to purchase hogs at lowest possible prices in order to secure good quality. He will not purchase hogs of inferior quality. All hogs purchased will be vaccinated against Cholera and selected as near as humanly possible free from other diseases.

In order for Mr. Taylor to purchase pigs for you it will be necessary for you to sign an Agreement at the County Agent's office and deposit the money to pay for your pigs, and agree to be responsible for losses that occur through shipping and freight expenses. These pigs should reach you at a total cost lower than you would have to pay buying them locally. We shall accept applications in this office through Tuesday, August 25, 1936. If you desire to purchase any of these hogs please contact the County Agent's office immediately.

C. R. Sykes was taken to a hospital in Rocky Mount Monday for treatment.

Program At The Louisburg Theatre

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre beginning Saturday, Aug. 22nd:
 Saturday—Double Feature—John Wayne in "Lawless Nineties" and Bill Boyd in "Go Get 'Em Haines."
 Sunday—Frances Dee, Brian Donlevy and Chas. Butterworth in "Half Angel."
 Monday—Pat O'Brien and Margaret Lindsay in "Public Enemy's Wife."
 Tuesday—Gertrude Michael and Ray Milland in "The Return of Sophie Lang."
 Wednesday—Bank Night—Bobby Green and Henry Armetta in "Let's Sing Again."
 Thursday-Friday—Jean Harlow, Franchot Tone and Cary Grant in "SUEY."
 Last Time Today—Bing Crosby, Bob Burns, Frances Farmer and Martha Raye in "Rhythm On The Range."