



Sign Labor Agreement

Local postal employees are shown above witnessing the signing of a local labor agreement by Postmaster Edward L. Best. Pictured, left to right are: James Johnson, Secretary of the local Branch, National Association of Letter Carriers; Paul Mullen, representative of clerks; Jack Rouse, representative of rural carriers; Best; Charles Loan, representative of maintenance personnel; and Troy Parker, President of the local unit. The local employees have been operating under a national agreement and this is the first local agreement ever entered into by labor and management. Photo by Clint Fuller.

County Democrats Go For Broughton, Taylor Top Vote Getter

George F. (Bo) Hall, Franklin County Campaign Manager for Mel Broughton, told *The Times* late Monday night, "We're going to go", indicating that an announcement might be imminent that a second primary will be called in the gubernatorial race. If so, the run-off will be held on Saturday, June 1.

Franklin County Democrats went to the polls in record numbers here Saturday and placed the county in the column of J. Melville Broughton, Jr., second-place finisher in the three-way gubernatorial race. The Raleigh attorney gained a 212 vote margin over front-runner Lt. Gov. Bob Scott, Dr. Reginald Hawkins, a Negro dentist from Charlotte finished third in the state and in the county.

Broughton carried five Franklin precincts, including Harris, Hayesville, Sandy Creek, Gold Mine and Louisburg, in polling a total vote of 3,273. Scott carried five precincts, including Dunn, Pearces, Youngville, Franklinton and Cedar Rock. Hawkins carried Cypress Creek precinct. Scott mustered 3,061 votes and Hawkins received 1,677. In Cypress Creek, Hawkins gained an 81 to 55 advantage over Scott who was bested 56-55 by Broughton.

Broughton and his supporters are now considering whether they should call for a run-off against Scott who failed to gain a plurality although he holds a comfortable 100,000 vote lead across the state.

In the three-way race for Lt. Governor, former House Speaker Pat Taylor proved to be the Franklin Democratic favorite as he mustered more votes than any other candidate in any race. Taylor received 6,020 and carried all eleven precincts. Mrs. Margaret Harper of Southport was second with 903 votes and Frank M. Matlock was third with 415. Taylor won the nomination easily throughout the state by leading Mrs. Harper 383,706 to 131,205.

Edwin Gill, incumbent State Treasurer, who won renomination over Sneed High Carried Franklin County handsly. Gill polled 4,614 votes to High's 2,754 and won all precincts except Cypress Creek where he lost by an 89-85 margin.

Youthful Lillington attorney Robert Morgan captured all Franklin precincts except Cedar Rock as he smothered incumbent Attorney General T. Wade Bruton in Franklin County, 4,304 to 2,406. Morgan easily won the nomination and will face republican opposition in November.

State Insurance Commissioner Edwin Lanier had little trouble capturing the Franklin vote as he received 4,419 votes in a four-man race. County Democrats gave George A. Belk 536;

Ervin, Fountain Win Handily

U.S. Senator Sam J. Ervin and Congressman L.H. Fountain were easy winners in the Democratic primary here Saturday and both won renomination. Fountain's win is tantamount to election since he has no GOP opposition in November.

Sen. Ervin downed three opponents receiving 5,403 votes. John Gathings, Jr. polled 408; Charles Pratt collected 122; and Fred G. Brummitt gained 36. Ervin carried all eleven precincts by wide margins.

Congressman Fountain polled 5,596 votes in defeating Mrs. Eva M. Clay-

Fred Benton 976; and John B. Whitley 1,108. Lanier won the nomination across the state.

Labor Commissioner Frank Crane polled 3,791 votes here and won over challenger John B. Wardell, Jr., who gained 2,893 votes. Crane also won the state nomination.

Chief Appeals Court Judge Raymond Mallard downed Raleigh businessman Kidd Brewer in the local voting, 4,702 to 2,651, with many surprised at the strength of Brewer. Judge Mallard carried all eleven precincts. Mrs. Naomi Morris, who won reelection, lost in Franklin County to Walter C. Holton. Holton received 4,167 to Mrs. Morris' 2,651.

The total vote cast by Democrats was 8,011 in the gubernatorial race and is considered a record turnout. A great deal of interest was created in the final days of the campaign, particularly in the gubernatorial races and this coupled with the recent registration is credited with having produced Saturday's record turnout of voters.

Peoples, Banzet, Allen Carry County And Win

The three winning candidates for District Judgeships carried Franklin County in Saturday's primary balloting. Franklin native Linwood Peoples of Henderson received the greatest vote in Franklin, polling 4,964. Oxford attorney, Claude Allen, front-runner in the five-county district, was second in the county with 4,111 and Julius Banzet of Warrenton placing third in the district also placed third in the county with 2,878 votes. Peoples carried all Franklin precincts.

Thomas D. Hardie of Henderson received 1,181 votes; Wallace Chappell of Creedmoor gained 1,133 and Royall Royster of Oxford received 1,752 votes in the county.

Allen led the District with 16,280 votes and carried Granville and Person Counties. Peoples carried Vance and Franklin and Banzet carried Warrenton. The breakdown by candidate and county follows: Allen, Franklin 4,111, Vance 3,961, Warren 1,652, Granville 4,126 and Person 2,430 for a total of 16,280; Peoples, Franklin 4,964, Vance 5,432, Warren 1,852, Granville 1,571 and Person, 1,927 for a total of 15,746. Banzet, Franklin 2,878, Vance 3,840, Warren 3,611, Granville 1,236 and Person 1,354 for a total of 12,919.

Chappell, Franklin 1,133, Vance 448, Warren 363, Granville 1,913, and Person, 1,391 for a total of 5,248; Hardie, Franklin 1,581, Vance 4,807, Warren 1,030, Granville 909 and Person 1,711 for a total of 10,038; Royster,

ton, a Warrenton Negro housewife, who received 1,766 votes and carried Cypress Creek Township. Fountain carried the other ten county precincts by wide margin. Mrs. Clayton campaigned on helping the "poor" and attacked Fountain's voting record on bills designed to aid the poor. Fountain ran a relatively quiet campaign.

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Stone Finishes Second, Runoff Is Expected

Franklin friends of Dr. Raymond Stone, candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction, are urging him to call for a second primary against Saturday's front-runner Dr. Craig Phillips of Greensboro. Stone received 161,312 votes across the state with 2,091 of the 2,191 precincts reporting. Phillips had 201,041 as the leader.

County Democrats went overwhelming for the Franklin native, giving him 5,579 votes. Phillips received 847; Everette Miller got 447; William D. Harrill received 203 and Wendell Smiley polled 143.

Stone, who was born in the Epsom community and attended Epsom, and Louisburg public schools and Louisburg College is on leave from his position as President of Sandhills College in Southern Pines. He has a large number of friends and kin in Franklin County.

He carried all eleven precincts in the county by wide margins and local supporters have expressed the hope that he will seek a run-off in the belief that he can muster some of the votes received by the other three candidates.

Church Wins Re-Election

Incumbent John T. Church won reelection to a second term in the N.C. House of Representatives in Saturday's Democratic primary. Church won in Franklin County by downing Henderson attorney Bobby Rogers, 4,315 to 3,067. He carried the three-county district 11,622 to 8,218.

Church won all precincts in Franklin except Pearces on his way to the win. He also carried all three counties. In Vance County, Church polled 4,632 votes to Rogers' 3,831 and in Warren County Church gained a 2,675 to 1,320 win.

Both men had waged a vigorous campaign in all three counties and local observers are commenting on the showing of Rogers, a newcomer to district politics, although a Democratic Committee chairman in past years in Vance County.

Franklin 1,752, Vance 848, Warren 602, Granville 1,580 and Person 1,124 for a total of 5,906.

It was reported by a reliable source that Banzet is likely to be named Chief District Judge. There is to be no runoff between fourth place finisher Hardie and third place winner, Banzet.

Former Deputy Indicted

The Franklin County Grand Jury returned a true bill of indictment here Monday, charging former Deputy Sheriff Lonnie House with murder in the shooting death of Franklinton policeman Carllyse Breedlove.

House allegedly killed Breedlove, 23, during a card game the night of Jan. 17 at the Franklin County Police Club. Breedlove died of a single gunshot wound in the head at Duke Hospital the following morning after being transferred from Franklin County Hospital.

House and Breedlove were playing penny ante poker with Police Chief Leo Edwards and Policeman Tom Allen, both of Franklinton. The game began after a law officer meeting and was described as social rather than for gambling purposes.

Chief Edwards said after the shooting that the incident was "unintentional." He said the game was being played while the four officers discussed law experiences, police techniques in law enforcement and police methods.

House allegedly pulled his .38 caliber service pistol from its holster and shot Breedlove in the head with a single shot. No motive for the shooting was revealed.

House resigned from the sheriff's department a few days later while still a patient at the Franklin County Hospital. Sheriff William T. Dement, in accepting the resignation, said the shooting was "an unfortunate incident," and that House had been an outstanding law officer.

Sykes Leads Ticket

Sykes, Griffin, Cash Win In Local Races

Board of Elections Secretary George Champion confirmed this morning reports that John W. House will seek a runoff in the race for County Commissioner, District 2, against incumbent Commissioner Richard Cash. Cash was short of a plurality over House and Booster White, by 27 votes in Saturday's primary. Champion said that House is studying the legal aspects of a runoff and has expressed his desire to call for one.



CASH



GRIFFIN



SYKES

County Commissioner E. M. (Buck) Sykes led all local vote getters in Saturday's primary as he won another term. Sykes polled 5140 votes to 2421 cast for Centerville businessman Lemuel S. Ward, making his first attempt at an elective public office.

Gen. E. F. Griffin, former State Civil Defense Director, gained a primary victory over former State Senator Wilbur M. Jolly receiving 4353 votes to Jolly's 3576 in a race for the State Senate from the District of Franklin, Vance and Granville counties. Neither of the other counties voted on the pair under an agreement.

The possibility of a runoff exists in the race for County Commissioner of District 2. Incumbent Commissioner Richard Cash led a three-man field but failed to gain a plurality. Cash polled 3,757 votes while Franklinton farmer John W. House received 2,160 and Booster White, a tobaccoconist, received 1,626. If a runoff is called it will take place on Saturday, June 1. House has not made his plans known on the matter.

Cash carried nine of the eleven precincts, losing only in Harris and Cedar Rock precincts. Harris went for White and Cedar Rock went for House.

In winning the State Senate seat, Gen. Griffin carried ten of the eleven precincts, losing Harris precinct to Jolly. Sykes carried all but Ward's home precinct of Gold Mine in gaining his win.

GOP Locals Give Gardner 10-1 Edge

The long-dormant Franklin County Republican Party came alive Saturday and gave Congressman James C. (Jim) Gardner an almost 10-1 win over Charlotte businessman John L. (Jack) Sticklely in the race for the Republican gubernatorial nomination. Gardner polled 425 votes in the primary to Sticklely's 24, receiving his largest totals in the Louisburg, Dunn and Youngville precincts.

With 2,030 of the state's 2,191 precincts reporting Gardner has won the nomination with 116,818 votes to Sticklely's 40,619. The youthful Congressman will apparently face Lt. Gov. Robert W. (Bob) Scott in November. Scott captured a majority in the Democratic primary, but not a plurality. A possibility looms that J. Melville Broughton, runner-up among the Democrats will seek a runoff.

Sticklely failed to get a single vote in Pearces and Hayesville precincts and received only one vote in Dunn, Harris and Gold Mine precincts.

In other GOP races, Franklin voters gave Don Garren 235 votes to 106 for Trospen N. Combs in their race for Lt. Governor. With 1,971 of the state's 2,191 precincts reporting Garren holds a comfortable lead of 89,295 to 30,788 and will face Democrat

Pat Taylor in November. Carl W. Rice edged Everette L. Peterson in Franklin, 177 to 166 in the race for the Republican nomination for Commissioner of Insurance. Peterson is the apparent winner with 70,733 votes to 62,329 for Rice. He will face Democrat Edwin Lanier in November.

In the GOP race for the U. S. Senate nomination, Franklin Republicans voted 124 votes for Larry Zimmerman; 121 for Edwin Tenney, Jr. and 103 for Robert Somers. Somers pulled from third place late Saturday night to take the lead as late returns poured in from across the state. With 1,984 precincts reporting, Somers has 45,911 votes to 40,445 for Zimmerman and 38,321 for Tenney. The winner here will face Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. in November's general elections.

At least 449 of the 672 recently registered Republican voters in the county balloted in the gubernatorial primary Saturday. Prior to the recent re-registration of all voters, there were only 34 Republicans registered. The upsurge in GOP interest in Franklin is credited in part with the attraction of Congressman Gardner, who has a great deal of support locally among voters of both parties.

Eight County Firms Get Safety Awards

Eight Franklin County firms have received safety awards from the North Carolina Department of Labor. Safety Inspector Dallas O. Tucker, acting on behalf of Commissioner of Labor Frank Crane, personally presented Gay Products, Inc. of Louisburg the certificate here Friday.

The Certificate of Safety Achievement was given in recognition of outstanding work done by the various firms in accident prevention during the year 1967.

Tucker cited Gay Products, Inc. as a good example of the excellent work which is being done to control and reduce on-the-job accidents in Franklin County.

Other firms being cited include: The Franklin Times, Inc.; Franklin Fabrics; McCracken Oil Co.; Joyner Wholesale Building Supply Co.; Dean Farms; Tre' Jay and Diazit, both of Youngville.

The Labor Department representatives pointed out that the Department's safety awards program is based upon the following standards:

1. Industrial plants which operate for an entire year without a disabling injury are eligible for an award on the basis of their perfect safety records.

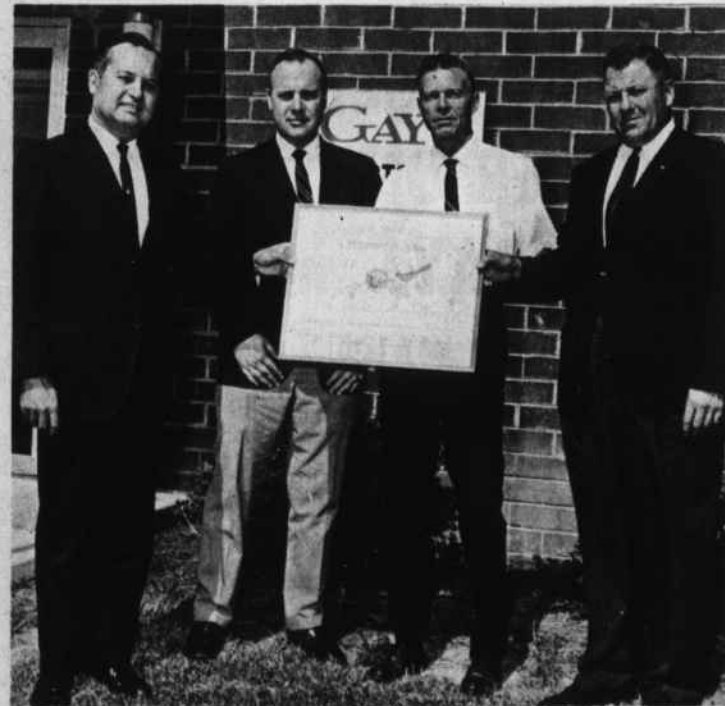
2. Plants which achieve a 40 per cent reduction in their rate of disabling injuries during a year also have made a significant safety accomplishment which merits recognition and qualifies them for an award.

3. Plants which operate 50 per cent or more below the statewide disabling injury frequency rate for their industry likewise are making an outstanding safety accomplishment which qualifies them for an award. The Certificate of Safety Achievement may be won in any of these ways.

"It is a pleasure to be able to recognize the excellent work in accident prevention which was done in 1967 by the many fine employers and employees representing these 8 Franklin County plants", Tucker said. "Your North Carolina Department of Labor is proud of your fine safety achievements and we look forward to even further improvements in your record of accident prevention in the years to come."

The Labor Department Inspector quoted State Labor Commissioner Frank Crane's comment, made recently at a public awards presentation meeting, that: "A company that cannot afford safety cannot afford to be in business."

"The economics of safety are as simple as 'AP' - the symbol of Accident Prevention," they said. "A-



Safety Award For Gay

Dallas O. Tucker, left, North Carolina Department of Labor Safety Inspector, is shown above presenting a safety award certificate to officials of Gay Products, Inc. here last Friday. Accepting for Gay are left to right, Frank Rose, Jr., office manager; Darrell Perry, plant superintendent, and Ed Pittman, plant manager. Eight Franklin firms won awards for safety, which were recently announced by the Labor Department. Photo by Clint Fuller.