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## Wallace, Scott Carry Franklin County

### Senator Sam Gets Wide Approval

U.S. Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. showed again Tuesday that he is one of the most popular politicians in the state with voters in Franklin County. The veteran Senator defeated his young GOP opponent Bob Somers over 3 to 1 in Franklin voting.

Ervin polled 6,753 and Somers received 2,061 votes with Ervin taking all of the eleven precincts by wide margins.

Congressman L. H. Fountain polled 5,536 votes in his reelection to Congress. He was unopposed in the General Election.

### Amendments Pass

### For One, Against One

Two Constitutional amendments, one of which was opposed by Franklin voters, were approved by wide margins in the state in Tuesday's election. The first amendment, on the ballot, referred to as the "Legislative Pay" amendment lost in Franklin 3,860 to 3,147 with only Dunn precinct supporting the issue which will now allow members of the General Assembly to set their own pay. It does not apply, however, to those legislators now serving.

The second or so-called "one-man, one-vote" amendment won in Franklin 3,333 to 2,890 and gained approval across the state. The support in Franklin reversed the belief held by many that the old method of representation where Franklin had a representative not shared with two other counties was best. The Supreme Court had however outlawed this method and a constitutional amendment was required to set things in order.

With 1,143 of the state's 2098 precincts reported, the Legislative Pay amendment passed 268,757 to 222,338. The One-man, one-vote amendment won by a larger margin, 276,305 to 180,271.

### To Visit Here

Robert N. Bass, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, will make his official visit to the 22nd Masonic District on Wednesday evening November 13th at 7:30, in the Masonic Temple on Jolly St. The district is made up of Franklinton Lodge 123, Youngsville Lodge 377, Wake Forest 282 and Granville 380 in addition to Louisburg.

Supper will be served at 6:45 P.M. and all planning to attend PLEASE contact James A. Johnson, 496-3506 by Friday. All Master Masons are fraternally invited.



Richard M. Nixon

PRESIDENT-ELECT



Robert W. Scott

GOVERNOR-ELECT

## County Supports Democratic Council

Incumbent Insurance Commissioner Edwin S. Lanier led the vote-getting as Franklin County supported all eight Democratic candidates for Council of State posts in Tuesday's General Election. Six of the eight are incumbents and two are newcomers, having won Democratic primary races last May. All were reelected or elected to their positions Tuesday.

Lanier polled 5,797 votes to his GOP opponent, Everett L. Peterson's 2,603. Secretary of State Thad Eure downed John P. East, 5,657 to 2,774 and State Auditor Henry L. Bridges gained a 5,606 to 2,569 victory over Ted Conrad. State Treasurer Edwin Gill polled 5,715 votes in downing his opponent Clyde R. Greene, who gained 2,607 votes in the county.

Robert Morgan, who campaigned briefly in Franklin County, won over Warren Harding Coolidge in the county, 5,631 to 2,549 in his race to succeed Wade Bruton as Attorney General. Craig Phillips, winner in the primary over Franklin County's Raymond Stone for the Democratic nomination of Superintendent of Public Instruction, bested his opponent Joe L. Morgan, 5,445 to 2,669 here. Jim Graham gained 5,689 votes in the county as he won over Claude L.

Greene, Jr. in the race for Commissioner of Agriculture. Greene polled 2,598 and Labor Commissioner Frank Crane carried the county over Ron Ingle, 5,684 to 2,462.

All Democratic candidates for Council of State seats carried each of the eleven precincts here in Franklin County.

## County Backs Taylor

Former House Speaker Pat Taylor, son of a former Lt. Gov., carried Franklin County Tuesday as he won the race for Lt. Governor over his opponent Republican Don Garren. Taylor polled 5,489 votes in Franklin to Garren's 767. Statewide, with 98

percent of the 2098 precincts reporting, Taylor polled 571,969 votes to 481,339 for Garren.

Taylor carried all eleven county precincts as Garren failed to muster even the 41.3 percent vote afforded gubernatorial candidate Jim Gardner. In the contest for Lt. Governor and all other offices where there were Republicans running, Gardner surpassed the vote getting appeal of his fellow party members.

Of the GOP contenders, only Gardner and Senate hopeful Bob Somers campaigned here in Franklin County. Garren was almost unknown here and his vote reflects those voting the straight Republican ticket. Taylor has a number of friends in the county and made a good impression in his lone appearance here at the Democratic dinner last spring.

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## New Pastime: Writing In

The seriousness of the elections, the long lines, nor the wee hour counting of returns prevented some degree of levity from injecting itself into Tuesday's general election here. Traditionally, Franklin voters find satisfaction in writing in the name of a friend or acquaintance for some office.

Whether this be out of love or a manner of revenge is known only to the scribblers.

Those citizens who must now search their minds in an effort to determine who-done-it are listed as reported by unofficial election returns:

Jesse Helms received one vote in Franklinton against Joe Branch for Supreme Court Justice; Joe Denton received one vote in Louisburg for N.C. Senate; Crowell Strickland received a vote in Franklinton for the N.C. House seat won by James Speed and Richard Alston, GOP County Chairman received a vote in Franklinton for the same position.

Also in Franklinton, Raymond Perry, Alvin Wheeler and Thomas Jarrett each received one write-in for District Judge Julius Banzet's seat. Willis Dupree received a vote in Youngsville for Register of Deeds; Jake Hayes got one in Franklinton and S. T. Pernel received one in Louisburg also for Alex Wood's office. H. L. Gilliam and Larry Robbins each received a write-in for County Commissioner against E. M. Sykes. And in Youngsville, E. J. Pearce received two write-ins for Constable while Al DePorter and Son Lewis received one each.

Perhaps more seriously, write-ins were cast for defeated candidates in some precincts. Wilbur Jolly received three votes in Louisburg for the N.C. Senate; Eva Clayton of Warrenton received two votes in Harris precinct for the Congressional seat held by L. H. Fountain and Richard Cash received 20 write-ins in Youngsville and 2 in Franklinton for County Commissioner.

## Judges Get Party Vote

A host of Democratic candidates for various judicial posts were recipients of the straight-Democratic ticket vote here Tuesday. All Democrats won easily as all but two had no Republican opposition.

Robert A. Collier, Jr. Democratic candidate for the 22nd District Superior Court bench downed GOP candidate Arthur S. Beckham, Jr., 5,444 to 2,433. Sam J. Ervin, III won over his GOP opponent William R. Sigmom, 5,697 to 2,455.

In the race for Justices of the State Supreme Court, Joe Branch received 5,596; J. Frank Huskins gained 5,565; and for the Court of Appeals, Raymond B. Mallard drew 5,641; Hugh Campbell polled 5,547; Walter E. Brock got 5,440; David Britt received 5,531; Naomi Morris gained 5,539 and Frank M. Parker drew 5,541.

For Judges of Superior Court, all unopposed, Coy Brewer received 5,747; Edward Clark, 5,537; James G. Exum, 5,417; Thomas W. Seay, 5,521; Fred H. Hasty, 5,538; Frank W. Snepp, 5,493; William T. Grist, 5,500 and Harry C. Martin received 5,525.

## Power Interruption

There will be interruption of power for the members of the Wake Electric Membership Corp. in the Louisburg area. The cut-off will come Sunday morning, November 10th from 5 a.m. to 7 a.m. in order to do repair work on the transmission line.

## Humphrey Places Second, Scott Gets 58.7% Vote

Franklin County voters sounded their disapproval of things on the national level Tuesday but gave approval to Democratic rule in state government. In record numbers, Franklin voters gave George C. Wallace a resounding victory over Democrat Hubert Humphrey and Republican Richard Nixon in the Presidential race and endorsed Democratic candidate Bob Scott over Jim Gardner for Governor.

Unofficial returns show that 9,749 of the 11,163 registered voters cast their ballots in the Presidential race and 9,676 voted in the gubernatorial contest.

George Wallace collected 5,525 votes as he carried every precinct in the county. Hubert Humphrey ran second with 2,849 and although he won the Presidency, Richard Nixon finished a poor third in Franklin County with 1,375 votes. Nixon mustered 722 fewer votes than did GOP hopeful Barry Goldwater in 1964. In Hayesville precinct, usually the most Republican of the eleven in the county, Nixon drew only 56 votes while Humphrey gained 130 and Wallace collected 273. The 1-2-3 lineup of Wallace, Humphrey and Nixon ran the same in all precincts.

In the hotly fought race for Governor, Democrat Bob Scott captured seven of the eleven precincts including the two largest, Louisburg and Franklinton. He lost Pearces, Harris and Hayesville. Cedar Rock ended in a split at 408 for Scott and the same for Gardner.

Scott carried Dunn 519-348; Youngsville, 387-318; Franklinton, 1,187-736; Sandy Creek, 304-280; Gold Mine, 298-247; Cypress Creek, 142-112 and Louisburg, 1,463-1,059. Gardner collected Pearces, 175-151; Harris, 368-296 and Hayesville, 245-226.

The overall unofficial totals give Scott 5,380 to Gardner's 4,296 or a plurality of 1,084. Gardner's totals are the largest for a Republican in modern county history. In 1964 Republican Robert Gavin mustered 1517 losing to Democrat Dan K. Moore, who received 5,000 votes.

After a computer breakdown early Wednesday morning reduced what had been reported as a 75,000-vote lead statewide by Scott, down to a low at one point of less than 9,000 votes, the Lt. Governor claimed victory later in the day Wednesday. He made the claim in Raleigh after checking vote returns with his county managers. With 98% of the state's 2098 precincts in, Scott holds a 71,972 vote lead over Gardner.

The three-member Franklin County Committee for Scott issued a prepared statement late Wednesday afternoon expressing the Committee's appreciation to the many workers in the campaign. The Committee also said it wished "to express its congratulations to the supporters of Congressman Jim Gardner for a clean and vigorous campaign in Franklin County" and called

for "all citizens now to band together in a continued effort to move the county on a path of progress". The Scott Committee is composed of Bernard Walters and Clint Fuller of Louisburg and Clinton Carlyle of Pilot.

Richard Alston, GOP County chairman, indicated that he is pleased with the heavy Republican support in the county and Crowell Strickland, a Gardner supporter, said he believes a two party system is taking shape in the county. Archie Bunn of Pilot directed the Gardner campaign in the county.

## Locals Had No Opposition

Candidates on the county ticket Tuesday, Democrats all, had no Republican opposition. Except for a minor rash of write-ins, the traditional lines were followed with each candidate getting a healthy number of votes.

Register of Deeds Alex T. Wood was the leading vote-getter as has been his habit for several years. He drew 8,161. Sixteenth District Representative James D. Speed was second with 7,917. Behind these leaders and not necessarily in order, were the following: Senator-elect E. F. Griffin 7,820; John Church, Sixteenth District Representative, 7,274. For District Judges, Linwood Peoples polled 7,621; Claude Allen drew 6,255 and Julius Banzet received 7,249.

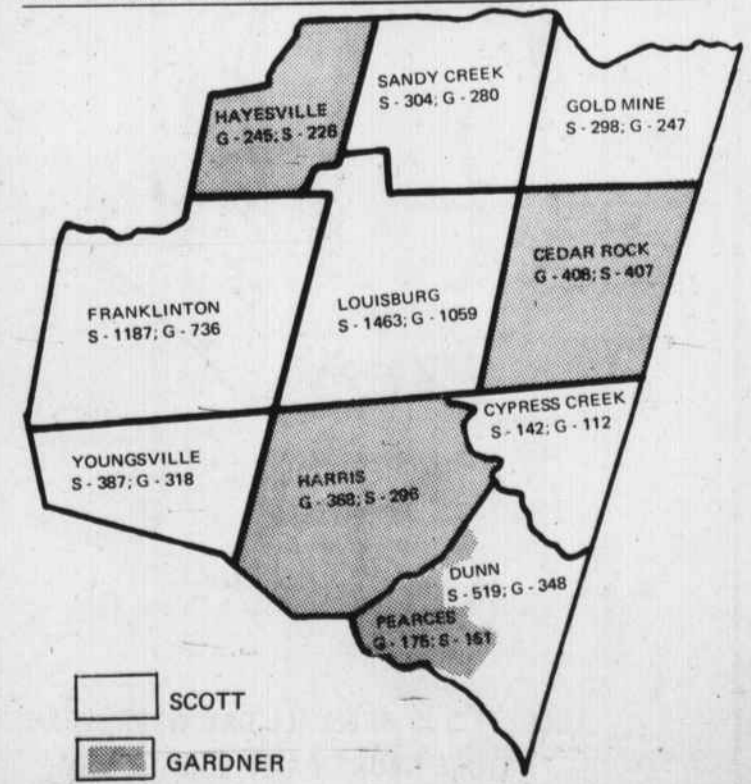
E. M. Sykes, re-elected to the Board of County Commissioners gained 7,698 votes and newcomer John House polled 7,623. Retiring Commissioner Richard H. Cash received 22 write-ins against House.

## Legion To Mark Anniversary

Collin McKinne, North Carolina Director of Veteran Affairs, will be the principal speaker here Monday, November 11, when the Jambes Post 105, American Legion observes Veteran Day.

George Champion, Jr., past Commander and presently serving as Post Adjutant, announced the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Legion will be held on this day. The affair will consist of a dutch supper at the Louisburg Armory beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Champion urged all Legionnaires to attend and also invited other veterans. He pointed to the many benefits enjoyed today by dependents of veterans and veterans themselves which have resulted because of American Legion efforts.



### Crash Landing

The four-seater Cessna Cardinal airplane shown above crash-landed in an open field about a mile west of the Franklin Airport Wednesday afternoon on a landing approach. Francis Holt, an executive of Holt Enterprises of Kinston, N. C., whose firm is erecting the new boarding home here was alone in the plane at the time. He was uninjured.

Staff photo by Clint Fuller.