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Truman Wins Close Election; G.O.P. Wins In Wilkes

President Wins In Biggest Upset In Many Decades

Democrats Also Win Majorities In Senate And The Lower House

Scrappy, under-rated Harry Truman captured the presidential election in one of the biggest upsets in America's political history.

And in the hour of his greatest triumph, the Democratic party gave him a solid, comfortable majority in both Senate and House.

It was a triumph which the little man from Missouri, standing almost alone against the floodtide of pre-election forecasts, had predicted with unswerving confidence.

Dewey Comeback Fails

Down to defeat went Thomas E. Dewey, trying for a comeback along the road to the White House which invincible Franklin D. Roosevelt blocked four years ago. Down with him went Republican candidates in key congressional races and gubernatorial contests.

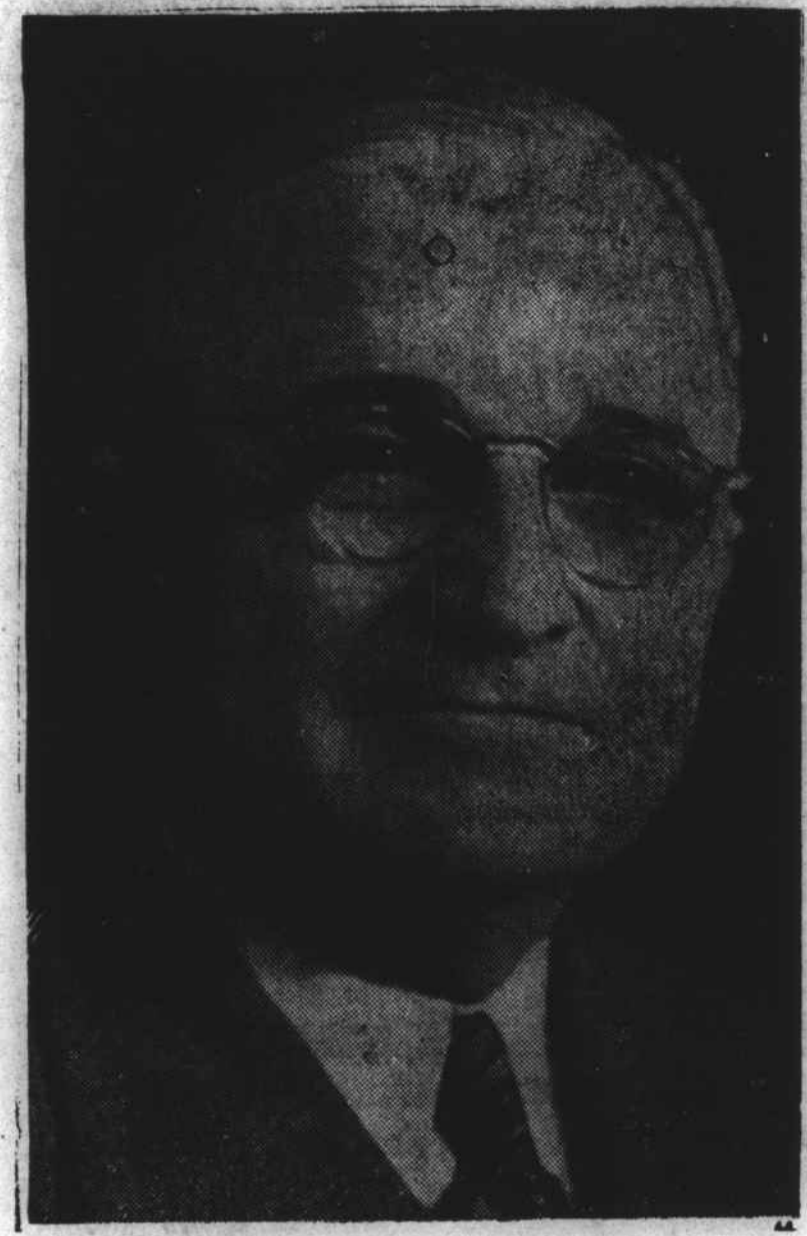
They went down fighting, in the toughest presidential battle since Woodrow Wilson squeezed out Charles Evans Hughes in 1916. Dewey conceded defeat at 11:15 a. m. yesterday.

And at the moment of decision by tens of millions of American voters, victor and vanquished alike cried out their hopes for peace in a troubled world.

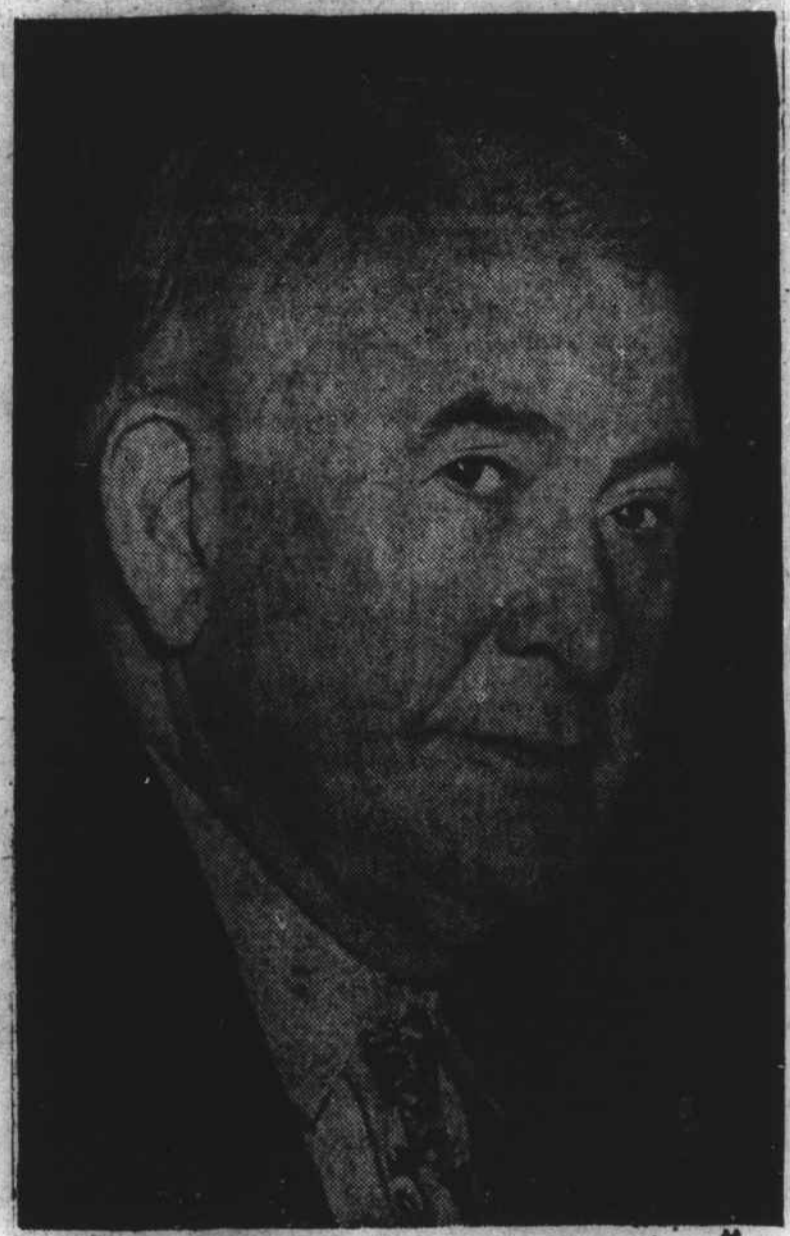
Truman Pledges for Peace

For himself, Mr. Truman pledged anew that he would give all his efforts "to the cause of peace in the world and the prosperity and happiness of our people."

As Dewey lost he called out to all Americans to "unite" behind the man who beat him and behind "every effort to keep our nation strong and free and establish peace in the world."



PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN



ALBEN W. BARKLEY, Next Vice President

Next Governor



W. KERR SCOTT

30 Of Nation's 48 Governors Are Democrats

Washington, Nov. 3—President Truman's vote-getting magic today pulled the Democrats into solid control in 30 of the nation's 48 governorships.

The Truman drive that came from nowhere swept the Republicans out of eight gubernatorial offices and rolled up Democratic victories in 20 of the 33 state contests. The governorships had been divided evenly—24 to 24.

Only one race was in doubt at 4 p. m. E.S.T. in Washington, Democratic Gov. Mon C. Waigren, close personal friend of the President, was trailing Republican Arthur B. Langlie.

Wilkes County Officials Win By 800 to 1,600

Troy Foster Leads County Ticket; Large Vote Is Polled In County

Republicans made a clean sweep of county offices in Wilkes in Tuesday's election, but with greatly reduced majorities.

Almost complete, but unofficial, returns in Wilkes gave the Republican candidates majorities ranging from approximately 800 to about 1,600.

Reduced Republican majorities in Wilkes were in keeping with the Democratic trend throughout the nation, which returns President Truman to the white house and changed both houses of congress from Republican to Democratic.

Closest competition for the Republican incumbent commissioners was the election of county commissioners, where the majority for the lowest Republican vote was only 817 over the highest on the Democratic ticket.

The unofficial vote for the Republican incumbent commissioners from 29 of 30 precincts was: M. F. Absher, 7,489; I. J. Broymill, 7,786; C. C. Sidden, 7,375. For Democratic candidates the total were: W. C. Grier, 6,558; William Gray, 6,437; C. C. Faw, Jr., 6,472. Only precinct missing from the early unofficial returns was Jobs Cabin number 2, which has a comparatively light vote and expected to have little effect on majorities received.

Troy C. Foster, Republican register of deeds, led the county ticket with 7,779, while Luther Duncan, his Democratic opponent, received 6,138.

T. E. Story was re-elected as Republican representative in the general assembly, polling 7,786 to 6,550 for William G. Mitchell, Democrat. Republican Surveyor T. G. Casey was re-elected over S. P. Mitchell by a similar majority. B. C. Brock, Davie Republican, was re-elected to the state senate from the 24th district without Democratic opposition. His total vote was in line with the average Republican totals on the county ticket.

Wilkes rolled up a larger majority for Tom Dewey, Republican candidate for president, than for county or state offices. This was due in part to the fact that Strom Thurmond, States' Rights candidate, received about 300 votes and there was an occasional vote for Henry Wallace, Progressive party candidate.

Substantial Republican majorities were rolled up in Wilkes for the state Republican ticket. Kyle Hayes, of North Wilkesboro, Republican candidate for Lieutenant governor, led the ticket by a wide margin and received an excellent vote in his home county. Returns on this and other races on the state ticket in Wilkes were far from complete, but partial returns showed the Wilkes candidate far ahead of the field.

In the eighth district congressional race unofficial returns gave Lafayette Williams, Republican, a majority of approximately 1,750 over Representative C. B. Deane, Democrat, who was re-elected by a comfortable margin in the entire district.

Goerch Speaker At Ladies Night Of Kiwanis Club

Featured by an address by Carl Goerch, editor of State Magazine, the North Wilkesboro Kiwanis club carried out a most enjoyable ladies' night banquet Friday at Hotel Wilkes.

In the beautifully decorated ball room of the Hotel Wilkes the Kiwanians welcomed their wives and guests for the annual Ladies' night program. After enjoying an appetizing dinner the guests were welcomed by J. H. Whicker, Sr., in very excellent fashion; Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant responded beautifully for the ladies.

The president asked Dr. John Wayland to make the presentation of the Plaque won by the club during the year of 1947 for outstanding achievement, which was given by the Carolinas District of Kiwanis and was presented to Dr. G. T. Mitchell, who was president during 1947.

Program Chairman Kiwanian Ed Gardner presented Mrs. A. F. Kilby, who in turn introduced Mrs. Maurine Lovely, Miss Rachel Vance, Hoyt Safrit and Stanley South, all of Appalachian Teachers College, and who sang to the delight of all the following:

Mr. South, "The Dessert Song" and "The Thunder"; Miss Vance, "Il Bacio" Waltz, "Carissima"; Mr. Safrit and Miss Vance, "Sweethearts in May Time", "Sweet Mystery of Life" and "Old Man River."

Mr. Gardner then introduced Carl Goerch, of Raleigh, who made a very entertaining talk, reviewing some of the interesting things that have happened in North Carolina since he began to publish the State Magazine. His talk was full of humor and likewise spiced with some good sound philosophy.

Plan Bazaar 20th

Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church in Wilkesboro will hold a bazaar at Forester's Furniture store at the corner of B and Tenth streets Saturday, November 20, beginning at ten a. m., and continuing all day. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. Clifton Adams, of the Brushy Mountain community, has been showing a most unusual apple which he found in his orchard. The apple, of Lambertwig variety, is a twin apple with only one stem but with two blossom ends.

North Wilkesboro Township Divided Into 3 Precincts

Wilkes county board of elections has divided North Wilkesboro township into three voting precincts and has ordered a new registration in the three North Wilkesboro precincts prior to the 1950 primary.

North Wilkesboro precinct number 1 will be composed of North Wilkesboro city limits, with the exception of that part of the city east of Highway 268. The voting place will be at the North Wilkesboro city hall.

North Wilkesboro number 2 will be that part of North Wilkesboro township west of Reddies River and the voting place will be at T. H. Williams' garage.

North Wilkesboro number 3 will be the area of North Wilkesboro township not included in precincts 1 and 2 and the voting place for number 3 will be at the colored school building in Woodlawn.

In the election this week there were more than 2,700 votes in North Wilkesboro precinct, and the task of counting the ballots was not completed until after midnight.

Sweet Briar Has Parents' Day

The president and faculty of Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va., were hosts Saturday, October 30th, to parents of Sweet Briar students at the second annual parents' day. Parents from twenty states and the District of Columbia were guests with their daughters at a luncheon and a tea at Sweet Briar House, and informal visiting at all parts of the campus.

Mrs. D. J. Carter, whose daughter, Miss Jane Carter, is a Sweet Briar student, attended from North Wilkesboro.

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Statesville Here; Ramblers In Boone

Conference Leader To Play Mountain Lions; Ramblers Seek 20th Win

Statesville, currently top team in the South Piedmont conference with four wins and no losses will play North Wilkesboro Friday night, eight o'clock, in Memorial Park.

The visitors will be favored to win, but the Mountain Lions will be out to stage an upset and mar Statesville's perfect record. The Mountain Lions will be in good shape for the contest, and are much encouraged following their 14-7 win over Monroe last week.

Wilkesboro's Ramblers, who are being prominently mentioned for a prep bowl game if they get through with a good record, will take on Appalachian high at Boone Friday night and will be after their 20th consecutive win. Here Friday night Wilkesboro coasted to a 27 to 6 win over Jonesville, with reserves playing a great part of the game. Some of the injured players will be ready Friday, including Bill Bill Whittington, now recovering from an ankle injury, and Jack Groce, whose leg injury kept him from playing his usual game Friday. If the Ramblers subdue Boone, they will carry their perfect record against Children's Home in Winston-Salem on the afternoon of November 19.

Revival Under Way

Revival services are in progress at Closer Walk With God Baptist church in Wilkesboro. Rev. Carl Phillips is preaching in the services held each evening at seven o'clock and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Support the Y. M. C. A.

NEW RECRUITS ELLER'S BLUEJACKETS



Johnny Mercak, left, and Clifton Wey, right, are new members of the improved Eller's Bluejackets basketball team, which will play some of the state's leading teams during the coming season.

ELLER'S BLUEJACKETS IMPROVED; TO PLAY HANES HOSIERY, CHATHAM

Eller's Bluejackets, a semi-pro basketball team sponsored by Eller's Lumber Supply at Millers Creek, this year will go into big time basketball in western North Carolina.

Scheduling such teams as Hanes Hosiery, of Winston-Salem, and Chatham, of Elkin, the Bluejackets will make their bid for a place in the basketball spotlight.

With several of last year's players back, the Bluejackets have some recruits who are known as able to handle the ball. One of these is Johnny Mercak, for three years a varsity player at Catholic University in Washington, D. C. Johnny was catcher for the North Wilkesboro Flashers in Blue Ridge league baseball last season. Another recruit from the baseball team for the Bluejackets will be Tom Daddino, who hails from Delanco, N. J., and who plays the cage sport equally as well as his polished play on the diamond.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. B. M. Lackey, Rector Vesper service will be held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon, November 7th, at four o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend this service.

Record crops of soybeans and peanuts are being harvested this year.

Application For Hospital Funds Is Now Approved

North Wilkesboro Joined With State And Government For Hospital

North Carolina Medical Care Commission has approved the town of North Wilkesboro's application for state and federal funds with which to construct a 100-bed hospital.

Recently North Wilkesboro voted to issue bonds in the sum of \$275,000 as the city's part of the total cost of the hospital, estimated at about \$1,200,000. The city's part will amount to 22.6 per cent of the cost.

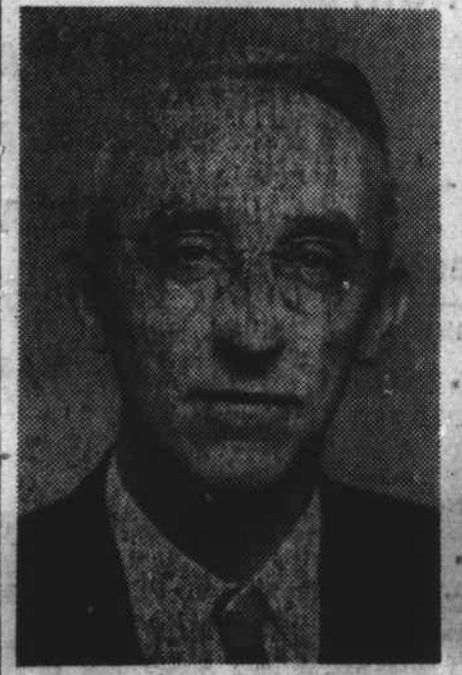
Following the bond election trustees of the hospital were appointed and the trustees made formal application for the funds in time to get the application approved in the allotment for this year, which closed November 1.

Along with the North Wilkesboro application were approved applications for funds for nine other hospitals to be constructed in North Carolina. The list included Yadkinville, Taylorsville and Sparta.

Wilkes Washerette Adds 5 Machines

The Wilkes Washerette, which has been in business a year, has increased the number of washers from 12 to 17 in order to take care of increased business. The firm has also installed a modern dryer to give maximum service to their growing list of patrons.

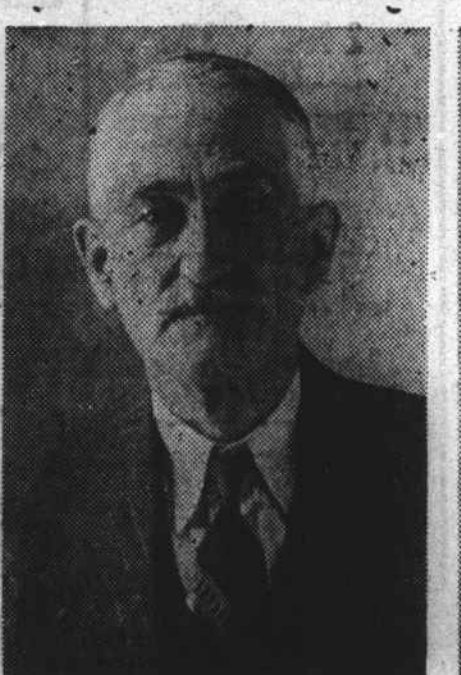
COUNTY OFFICIALS RE-ELECTED IN GENERAL ELECTION HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2



T. E. STORY Representative



TROY C. FOSTER Register of Deeds



M. F. ABSHER County Commissioner



I. J. BROYMILL County Commissioner



C. C. SIDDEN County Commissioner

North Carolina Goes Democratic

Raleigh—North Carolina cheered with the nation's political victors yesterday.

This traditionally Democratic stronghold bowed over stimulated efforts of the Republican party to lay claim to any major office and gave President Truman, its No. 1 candidate, a thumping victory over Governor Thomas E. Dewey.

Democrats Win All Contests

Truman's victory was the story all along the Democratic line—for Congress, State offices and U. S. Senate.

The biggest disagreement was over four proposed constitutional amendments. The only one anywhere sure of winning would provide for the carrying of special elections by a simple majority, and not by a vote against registration. The vote from 977 precincts, was 131,525 for and 102,217 against.

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