

MOORE, WINNIE WILL PRESS FOR PEACE

Claude Moore Nominated For Sheriff; Womble Wins



AT DEDICATION — Lofton A. Tart, left, and Dr. George Cuthrell, right, are pictured here at the exercises held Sunday at Hood Memorial Christian Church dedicating the new Lofton Tart Educational Addition. They are standing beside a portrait of Mr. Tart hanging in Memorial Chapel. (Daily Record Photo.)

5,896 Ballots Are Cast In Second Primary

Claude R. Moore, 46-year-old Dunn dairy operator, Saturday won the Democratic nomination for Sheriff of Harnett County by 38 votes in one of the closest races in the county's history.

Moore, who came within 400 votes of winning four years ago, defeated County Commissioner D. E. (Dick) Lasater of Erwin, Route 1 by a vote of 2967 to 2929.

Immediately after the votes were counted, Moore issued a statement expressing appreciation to the people and promised that, "I'll do my best to make all the people of Harnett County a good sheriff."

In the first primary, Lasater had led Moore by 14 votes.

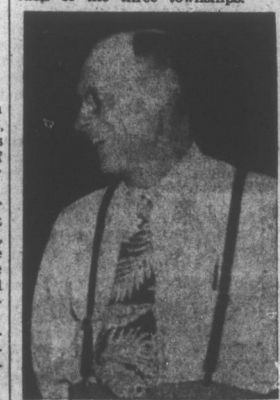
TO SUCCEED SALMON Moore, big-good-natured man towering more than six feet tall, will be Harnett County's first new sheriff in 22 years. Sheriff W. E. (Bill) Salmon is retiring from office after serving longer than any other man in the county's history.

The vote was close in practically every township. Moore carried one precinct in Lasater's township and Lasater carried one of four precincts in Moore's township.

The vote was surprisingly large for a second primary. A total of 5,896 votes were cast. More than 8,000 voted in the first primary.

WOMBLE WINS Voters in District No. Four elected a new county commissioner J. Early Womble, prominent Lillington business man and farm leader, defeated County Commissioner Worth Lee Byrd by a vote of 765 to 589.

The district is comprised of Anderson Creek, Lillington and Stewart's Creek townships. Byrd has served four years and was seeking his third term. Womble carried each of the three townships.



J. EARLY WOMBLE



THE WINNER — Claude R. Moore, left, of Dunn will be the Democratic candidate for sheriff of Harnett County in the Fall election. Here, Moore is seen Saturday night in the sheriff's office as he received the congratulations of his opponent, Dick Lasater, Jr. of Erwin as final returns in the run-off primary showed Moore 38 votes ahead. In the May 29 primary Lasater was high man in a field of six candidates, but Moore who then trailed second by 14 votes called for a run-off and emerged the winner. Moore's Republican opponent this Fall will be Gene Stewart of Coats. (Photo by T. M. Stewart)

Plan To Issue Declaration Of Aims Tuesday

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill promised today to "press forward" with plans for "collective defense" in Indochina.

They delayed until tomorrow, however, the issuance of a full declaration of Anglo-American aims in this period of world crisis.

The President and the Prime Minister, who have been meeting at the White House since Friday, issued a terse and highly generalized communique.

The communique dealt with three specific subjects — Western Europe, Southeast Asia and "atomic matters."

"We discussed Southeast Asia," the two leaders said, "and in particular examined the situation which would arise from the conclusion of an agreement on Indochina. We also considered the situation which would follow from failure to reach such an agreement."

"We will press forward with plans for collective defense to meet (Continued on page six)

THE VOTE

Here's how Harnett County Democrats voted Saturday in the second primary race for Sheriff and Commissioner in District Four:

Table with columns for candidates (MOORE LASATER, WOMBLE, BYRD) and various townships (Anderson Creek, Averasboro I, etc.) with corresponding vote counts.

FOR COMMISSIONER

Table showing vote counts for Commissioner candidates Womble and Byrd across townships.

These Little Things

By ROOVES ADAMS

WITH 10 GALLONS OF GAS, YOU GET FREE WATERMELON

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Eugene Hamby, who said "I do" Thursday night at the Baptist Parsonage, had plenty of tough luck to start off their marriage.

Mr. Hamby is one of two technicians at Dunn Hospital. Mrs. Hamby, the former Des Stephenson, also works at the hospital.

Both had arranged their vacations so they could take a honeymoon. Just before the wedding, the other hospital technician, Ann Rouse Warren, became ill so Johnny's vacation and honeymoon had to be postponed.

They got married anyway. Some of their friends found out where they were spending their first night here and kept them awake just about all night. The friends were — they said — just helping them celebrate their wedding.

Anyway, Johnny and Dee say they will take their honeymoon later. Just when, they don't know.

LITTLE NOTES: Dr. Randolph Doffenmyer spent several days last week in Raleigh attending a meeting of the State Board of Medical Examiners. He's one of the doctors who decide whether or not new physicians are qualified to practice. A number of Dunn people (Continued on page two)

Church Addition Dedicated Sunday

The newly completed education addition to the Hood Memorial Christian Church of Dunn was dedicated in a brief ceremony Sunday afternoon at five o'clock with the pastor, Dr. George Cuthrell, presiding.

Dedicated to the honor of Lofton A. Tart, the new building was open yesterday afternoon for a general inspection by the guests and members of the church.

During the service, Dr. Cuthrell gave the dedicatory prayer, and Helen Taylor rendered a solo entitled, "Bless This Church"

In addition to the building itself, a number of pieces of furniture were officially accepted and dedicated to the memory of outstanding members and friends of the local church.

Dr. Cuthrell made brief remarks in which he referred to the church as being a unique institution in the community — one which upholds the dignity of man.

Prior to the afternoon service, at the 11 o'clock service, the Rev. George Downey, Director of Religious Education for the Disciples of Christ Churches, was guest speaker. Using the topic, "The Rich Farmer," Rev. Downey pointed out that the "rich farmer" of the Bible was a producer, planter, and a builder, but that he made poor use of his goods.

"The rich young farmer worked for himself," the minister told the congregation. He added that he lacked proper motives, and that alone could be given as a reason for his failure. Following the morning worship, three new members were taken into the church. They were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jordan and their daughter, Carolyn.

16 Die In Air Crash; 36 Escape

By UNITED PRESS

Sixteen persons died Sunday in air crashes near Columbus, Ohio, and Riverside, Calif., and 36 others escaped in the crash landing of a DC-4 passenger liner at New York.

An American Airlines Convair and a Navy twin Beechcraft crashed in the air at Columbus, Sunday night. Two men aboard the Navy plane were killed, but the 34 passengers and crewmen aboard the Convair escaped with minor injuries.

Fourteen were killed at Riverside when a huge Air Force gasoline tanker smashed into a mountain. (Continued On Page Two)

State Reducing Highway Deaths

RALEIGH (AP) — North Carolina was looked upon today as a state that is succeeding in curbing the automobile's rampant slaughter on highways.

Three persons were killed in traffic accidents in North Carolina during the weekend. The death raised the state traffic total to date for 1954 to 403, but it was a figure 101 less than the number of persons killed during the same period last year.

A total of 55,000 were expected to jam beachfront hotels and rooming houses by midnight. Eighty special trains were scheduled to reach the city before the end of the day.

Three Dunn Shriners, Mayor Ralph Hanna, Thad M. Pope and Willie Moff, are among those attending the convention.

A mammoth parade tomorrow morning will mark the arrival of Imperial Potentate Rommie L. Arnold from Richmond, Va. The line of march to include dozens of bands, drill units, floats and clowns will proceed along the boardwalk to convention hall and pass in review before the imperial divan, greeted by top Shrine officials.

The Shriners will hold business sessions Wednesday and Thursday and a final business conference on Friday. Frank S. Land, Kansas City, Mo., the incoming imperial potentate, will be officially installed on Thursday night.

Dr. Royster Found Guilty

Dr. Dan Royster, prominent physician of Benson, was found guilty of simple assault in the Benson Recorders Court today and taxed the cost of Court by Judge Ed Johnson.

The well-known physician was charged with assaulting Eville Barefoot of near Dunn with his fist several weeks ago. The case had been continued several times on motion of the defense and prosecuting attorneys.

Dr. Royster took the stand in his own defense today and declared that he thought Barefoot was going to hit him, so he protected himself. However, Barefoot told the court that the Doctor followed him to (Continued on page six)

Benson's 34th Sing Is The Biggest Yet

Singers came by the hundreds and others showed up by the thousands to hear them Sunday and broke all records at Benson's 34th annual State Singing Convention.

From early until late, one group after another stepped up to the microphones to sing the old songs of faith, and frequently the huge throng joined in a mighty chorus. Benson's big grove was overflowing and for blocks away hymns and harmony filled the air.

It's one of the biggest and most unique events of its kind held anywhere in the South and frequently has received nation-wide publicity. Several radio stations carried portions of the program.

COME FROM ALL OVER People came from every nook and corner of the state and from more than 20 other states. In the crowd were a few old-timers who haven't missed a single session of "The Sing," as everybody calls it, since the first one was staged 34 years ago.

The crowd is one of the largest to assemble in Eastern Carolina each year. They gather for one main purpose—to sing and hear singing and to enjoy seeing friends they haven't seen since the last Sing. President Harold Medlin of the (Continued on page two)

Arrests — Twelve persons were listed on the Dunn Police record of arrest over the weekend. Charged were: Jerry Lee Jones, 307 N. Washington, stop sign violation; George W. Benton, Roseboro, drunk; William J. Marsh, Dunn, drunk; James A. House, Dunn, drunk; Harold Corbett Norris, stop sign violation; Paul Holliday, 1005 N. Layton, worthless check; Howard B. Johnson, 310 W. Johnson, assault on a female; George T. Lesch, 608 N. King, no license; Ubare Smith, Smithfield, no license; Don McKay Jackson, Route 1, Aultryville, careless and reckless driving, damage to State property; William A. Riddle, 501 N. Layton, driving drunk; Nathaniel Royall, Clinton, Route 3, public drunk.

FIRE — Dunn firemen were called to a storage barn belonging to Mrs. J. E. Altman, 511 N. Orange, Friday afternoon, according to Howard M. Lee, secretary-treasurer. By the time the trucks arrived, the barn with its contents was completely enveloped in fire. Considerable damage resulted, Lee stated. Cause of the fire was unknown. Seventeen men reported for the alarm.

+ Record Roundup +

JOYNER GETS EAGLE BADGE — Bill Joyner, popular Dunn Boy Scout, is shown here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Sandlin, last night after receiving the coveted Eagle badge, highest award in scouting in a ceremony at the First Baptist Church. (Daily Record Photo.)