



STEVE DAVIS, president of the student body, welcomes the 450th student who registered for classes at Brevard. Seated at left is Mrs. C. Edward Roy, recorder for Brevard College and standing directly behind her is Nancy Edwards, a day student from Brevard.



4-H CLUB NEWS

BY BILL GARMON
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The Little River 4-H club sure did a nice job in displaying a very fine 4-H exhibit at the Little River Community fair this past Saturday. The 4-H'ers had as their theme for their exhibit 4-H Projects and 4-H Activities in the local community. The 4-H'ers with Mrs. Mary Lou Rhodes and Ralph McCall, local 4-H leaders, were responsible for having a blue ribbon exhibit.

Aside from the booth, some of the 4-H'ers exhibited some of their individual projects. Jane and Julia Shuford were awarded a blue and a red ribbon for their 4-H beef animals. Melvin Merrill was also

awarded a blue ribbon for his 4-H dairy calf. Other members entered corn, poultry and sewing projects.

The various 4-H clubs of the county met this past week at their respective schools. Officers were elected for each of the clubs and 4-H'ers were given a "4-H Project Selection Guide", to help him or her select the project or projects they wish to complete during the coming year. This booklet gives a description of the projects a 4-H'er may take. There are some 50 projects from which a 4-H boy or girl may choose. This year's 4-H clubs consist of some 600 boys and girls with clubs in each of the schools of the county.

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



WASHINGTON — Recent Congresses have seen a close numerical division between Democrats and Republicans. The 84th Congress consisted of 49 Democrats and 47 Republicans.

Close Division
The general election on November 6, 1956, will determine the make-up of the Senate for the next two years. Of course deaths and resignations can change the political complexion of a Congress when the balance is so close.

Recently I studied a pamphlet on information about the political division of the Senate during the past century. The facts were interesting.

A Century
The 34th Congress took its seat in 1855. The nation had a total of 62 Senators at that time compared with the present 96 (two for each state in the Union). Of that total, 42 were Democrats, 15 were Republicans and 5 belonged to other parties. The high water mark for Democratic Senators was in the 75th Congress (1937-39) with a total of 75; that Congress had 17 Republicans and there were 4 Senators listed as belonging to other parties.

Lowest Ebb
Democratic Senatorial power was at its lowest ebb with only 11 members in the period of the War Between the State and Reconstruction; it was in the 41st Congress that the Republicans had 61 seats, and they also reached their maximum of 61 in the 60th Congress from 1907 to 1909. At the latter date there were 29 Democrats in the Senate.

Recent Division
The last Congress to show a considerable political division was the 81st (1949-51) with 14 more Democrats than Republicans. Since that time (the 82nd, 83rd and 84th) the political division has been very thin numerically. And when the time came to organize the Senate it was necessary for each political party to have every member present.

I will not discuss the political division of the House of Representatives except to say that the present division shows 232 Democrats and 203 Republicans.

The last time either body of Congress was organized due to death was in the 72nd Congress (1931-33) when the House was organized by Democrats.

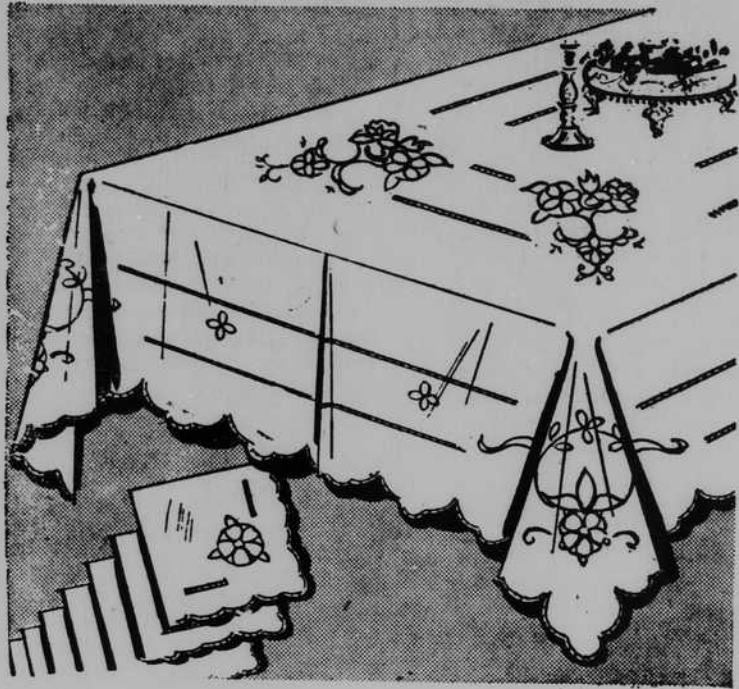
Chips Are Down
It can be seen that, as a consequence of the close political division in the Congress, no effort is being spared by both parties to control the Congress. It has also developed a greater awareness of the make-up of Congress among the people.

Not only will November 6, general election day, be important in the quest for the Presidency, but the voters will determine who will run the Congress for the next two years which will be the 85th Congress.

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