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HORTON, MAXWELL GIVEN LEADS IN COUNTY VOTING

Broughton Runs Third In McDowell Balloting; Cutlar, Rabb, McGimsey, High Men

McDowell county Democrats, approximately 4,400 strong, went to the polls throughout the county last Saturday and reversed state primary trends in voting for gubernatorial candidates, giving both W. P. Horton and A. J. Maxwell substantial leads over J. M. Broughton. Broughton polled a large majority in the seven-cornered race throughout the state and was trailed by Horton, who it is expected will call for a second primary on June 22.

In the county voting, Gravelly, Cooper, Grady and Simmons trailed the leaders in that order. Horton polled 2,392 votes; Maxwell, 1,283; Broughton 538; Gravelly, 89; Cooper, 53; Grady, 43; and Simmons, 15.

For lieutenant governor W. Erskine Smith led in McDowell with 1,681 votes. He was trailed by L. A. Martin with 824, R. L. Harris with 726, and Dan Tompkins with 567. Zebulon Weaver, incumbent, swept the county in the Congressional race, polling 2,514 votes to 801 for Sam Cathey and 641 for Earle Donahoe.

For Secretary of State, McDowell voters chose Thad Eure, incumbent, giving him 2,096 votes to 1,781 for Walter Murphy. In the race for State Auditor George Ross Pou polled 2,038 votes in the county to 1,588 for Charles W. Miller.

Closest balloting in McDowell was for Commissioner of Agriculture, W. Kerr Scott, incumbent, trailed C. W. Spruill by one vote, Scott polling 1,836 and Spruill 1,837. In the race for Insurance Commissioner, Dan C. Boney, incumbent, polled a vote of 2,367 to 1,274 for William B. Oliver.

Balloting in the Republican primary was very light with only 142 votes being cast in the county for the party gubernatorial candidates. George M. Pritchard led with 93. Robert H. McNeill had 45 and John R. Hoffman 4. For lieutenant governor H. B. Leavitt polled 92 votes and J. P. Witten 43.

County Ticket
In the two-cornered race for the State Senate L. J. P. Cutlar polled the second highest vote of any county candidate, winning 2,375 to 1,911 over Ashby Robinson. Cutlar carried 11 of the 17 precincts in the county.

The highest vote for any county candidate was polled for J. C. Rabb in the race for the Legislature. Rabb led his two opponents by a substantial majority, polling 2,474 to 1,185 for D. F. Giles and 680 for Horace Hall. Rabb carried 13 of the 17 precincts in the county.

Closest balloting in the primary was for Register of Deeds of McDowell. No one of the five candidates for the office polled a substantial majority over any other. High man was R. V. McGimsey, incumbent with 1,160 votes. Running a close second was Zeb L. Lackey with 1,116. According to primary rules, Lackey is entitled to call for a runoff primary. Should he do so the race will be narrowed down to the two candidates McGimsey and Lackey.

Voting was evenly split for the two candidates in the primary with each carrying four of the 17 county precincts. Low men in the race for Register of Deeds were M. L. Dixon with 832 votes, G. W. Chapman with 792, and John M. Stepp with 590. Dixon carried three of the county's 17 precincts; Chapman, four; and Stepp two.

Voting ran about the same as that in the 1936 first primary when 4,379 votes were cast. This years approximate vote of 4,400 greatly exceeded the balloting of 1938 when only 2,868 were cast.

RE-ELECTED SECRETARY

Mrs. E. P. Crawford of McDowell county was re-elected secretary of the district meeting of home demonstration clubs, held in Polk county week before last.

Mrs. Watson Wilson was not elected vice-president as stated last week.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF MARION CENSUS GIVEN

Preliminary census reports show the population of Marion to be 2,888, according to an announcement made this week by Charles Z. Flack, district supervisor. The population of Marion is recorded in the 1930 census was 2,467.

An increase of 421 or 17 per cent in population has been made here in the past ten years, according to the preliminary returns.

A special drive will be conducted in Marion to raise the population count for the town to 3,000, announced Mayor Zeno Martin this week. Persons who have not been counted will be sought out and efforts will be made to have 100 per cent coverage in the city limits.

Enumerators for Marion are Coleman Barnes and Miss Ruby Ledbetter.

Marion residents who have not been listed are requested to notify the enumerators or the mayor.

PLANS ARE COMPLETED FOR TONIGHT'S BANQUET

Final plans for the employer-employee banquet sponsored by the Marion Chamber of Commerce were announced this week. Tickets have been on sale throughout the week and only a limited number will be on sale at the door, it has been announced.

The banquet will be held in the Community building tonight at 8:00 o'clock and will be served by ladies of the Methodist Circle No. 2, Mrs. A. W. Grayson, chairman.

Toastmaster at the banquet will be Grayson Neal. Guest speaker for the occasion will be C. F. James and Mayor Zeno Martin is expected to make a few remarks.

An educational and entertaining sound film, "Through the Years," will be shown at the meeting. The film and movie equipment is being furnished by the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Marion.

As a climax to the banquet program, a social-recreation period has been planned in which all persons can take part. The program is expected to last for about two hours.

According to Walter J. Cartier, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, the entire banquet will be informal. Represented will be most of the business firms in Marion with the exception of the mills, whose owners have found it impractical to provide for their many employees.

PARKWAY CONCESSIONS ARE OPEN TO BIDDERS

Bids for filling station and coffee shop concessions at two points on the Blue Ridge Parkway in North Carolina will be received by the National Park Service until June 18, it was announced this week.

At Cumberland Knob Park a picnic supply concession and rest rooms will be allowed and at Bluff Park a filling station, first aid room, and a coffee shop seating 60 persons will be permitted.

Specifications for the buildings and the fees to be charged for service are to be regulated by the Secretary of the Interior.

Contracts will be awarded to the most responsible bidders.

LOCAL RED CROSS ASKED TO RAISE RELIEF FUND

Notice was received here this week that the \$600 goal set for Marion for Red Cross relief to war refugees should be regarded as a "minimum immediate objective."

Zeno Martin, chairman of the Marion chapter of the American Red Cross, has been notified that more than ten million dollars will be needed by the Red Cross for foreign relief.

Contributions to the relief fund may be made at the Marion Industrial Bank to Miss Doris Hill. Chairman of the Red Cross drive for funds in Marion is Grayson Neal.

CORNETT TO PREACH AND HOLD CONFERENCE

Rev. J. C. Cornett, presiding elder of the Marion district of the Methodist church, will preach at the First Methodist church here Sunday night, June 2, at 8:00 o'clock.

Following the service the third quarterly conference will be conducted, with Rev. Cornett in charge.

Official Returns of Democratic Primary May 25th, 1940

PRECINCT	Legislature			Senate		Register of Deeds				
	Giles	Hall	Rabb	Cutlar	Robinson	Chapman	Dixon	Lackey	McGimsey	Stepp
Marion No. 1	242	44	514	617	175	248	52	133	207	166
Marion No. 2	161	59	365	391	187	170	73	90	122	134
Marion No. 3	81	122	142	89	255	17	123	20	170	16
Marion No. 4	60	340	73	220	232	24	300	18	119	10
Marion No. 5	44	15	131	82	108	30	37	46	41	34
Old Fort No. 1	67	21	214	140	164	23	22	191	39	33
Old Fort No. 2	79	28	274	91	314	8	4	361	18	19
Brackets	14	7	6	12	10	2	4	3	5	13
Glenwood	21	5	81	62	40	36	15	27	22	9
Montford Cove	18	4	54	41	33	15	10	19	12	20
Higgins	50	3	15	34	25	1	13	7	30	17
Dysartsville	52	1	63	79	32	25	37	28	14	11
Crooked Creek	33	16	86	30	112	8	3	136	2	2
North Cove	56	0	63	71	33	52	18	7	39	1
Buck Creek	18	4	220	204	34	105	107	7	20	14
Nebo	139	18	117	144	114	6	9	11	250	9
Turkey Cove	50	2	56	68	43	22	5	12	50	22
TOTAL	1185	689	2474	2375	1911	792	832	1116	1160	530

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR CELEBRATION HERE ON JULY 4

Local Clubs and Organizations To Sponsor Picnic And Other Events.

Plans for a mammoth July 4 celebration, highlighted by a community picnic, a parade, boat races, a general recreation program and fireworks, were announced here this week. The program will be sponsored by the Marion Chamber of Commerce, local civic clubs, the American Legion and the Marion Fire Department.

Festivities on the fourth will begin with a parade through the town at 10:30 a. m. At noon McDowell county residents and visitors will participate in an old-fashioned picnic at some place to be designated, possibly Lake James. Each family will provide its own lunch.

The program for the afternoon opens with outdoor boat races on Lake James at 2:30 o'clock. Following the races the general public will be invited to participate in a general recreation program, including all types of races and games.

The celebration will be closed at night by a fireworks display in Marion.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners in the boat races and to individual winners in the recreation program.

Members of Marion civic clubs and organizations directing plans for the celebration are Walter J. Cartier, general chairman; Oliver Cross, Jack James, Eugene Cross, Jr., J. E. Evans, Dan Hitchcock, J. F. Snipes, Alford Morgan, S. L. Homewood, Mrs. Hazel McMahan, Mrs. William O. Gibbs, Mrs. H. C. Mangum, C. E. Bolick, and W. R. Burleson.

Committees for the celebration have been appointed as follows:

Finance—J. F. Snipes, chairman; Eugene Cross, Jr., Dean Tainter, Dr. P. N. DeVere and H. D. Bishop. Parade, C. E. Bolick, chairman; Lee Erwin, Mrs. William Gibbs, C. A. Workman, Clarence Rabb and Vernon T. Eckerd. Publicity, L. J. P. Cutlar, chairman; F. B. Morgan and P. W. Sparrow. Picnic, Mrs. Garfield Beaman, chairman; Mrs. Hazel McMahan, Mrs. C. A. Workman, R. C. Spratt and A. S. Bradford. Recreation and prizes, Alford Morgan, chairman; Frank Goldsmith and S. R. Cross. Fireworks, Joe Noyes, chairman; Oliver Cross, John Gilkey, and W. J. Cartier. First Aid, Dr. Donald McIntosh, Mrs. Lynn Hagna and M. C. Wingate. Boat races, Jack Ballew, chairman; Jack James and

BROUGHTON AND HORTON LINING UP NEW FORCES

Reported That Maxwell's Three Key Men Will Swing Over To Horton.

Raleigh, May 28.—New political alignments took shape slowly today, but there was still no definite announcement whether the leaders of A. J. Maxwell's force in last Saturday's Democratic gubernatorial primary would swing behind the leader, J. M. Broughton, or Lieutenant Governor W. P. Horton, who ran second. Maxwell ran third in the seven-man race.

It was still said unofficially that Maxwell's three key supporters, State Manager Burgin Pennell and Mrs. W. B. Murphy, State manager for women, and Ronald Wilson, associate manager, would favor Horton despite the fact that Maxwell himself is supporting Broughton in the second primary campaign.

Just where the campaign directors of the fourth man in the race, L. L. Gravelly, would turn also was in doubt. It was said that an announcement of their plans, as well as those of Maxwell's state managers, might be made known tomorrow.

Paul Grady, who ran sixth in the gubernatorial race, today joined Maxwell in expressing the hope that there would be no second primary—which has been assured by Horton with a statement to reporters that "you boys are going to have something to write about—I promise you that."

Maxwell and Gravelly headquarters were preparing to close, while the rooms of Horton and Broughton were busy with plans for launching vigorous campaigns for the second primary June 22.

Unofficial returns from 1,814 of the state's 1,913 precincts have given Broughton 143,267 votes, Horton 103,920, Maxwell 98,476, Gravelly 60,968, Cooper 32,641, Grady 15,143, and Simmons 2,455.

Broughton's headquarters released an analysis of the vote based on incomplete, unofficial returns, showing that Broughton was first in 43 counties, second in 34, third in 21 and fourth in two.

Horton, according to the figures, finished first in 26 counties, second in 23, third in 26 and fourth in 19, and fifth or sixth in six. Maxwell was listed as first in 16, second in 31, third in 34 and fourth in 14, and Gravelly first in 11, second in 7, third in 13.

David Blanton, Transportation, Bob Smith, chairman; Lee Conley and J. A. Wier.

COUNTY DAIRY MEN TO STRESS MILK USE; HOEY MAKES STATEMENT

McDowell county dairy farmers will cooperate in the national campaign to emphasize the importance of milk and dairy products during the month of June, it has been announced. Appointed to a committee to manage the program in the county were J. R. Jameson, chairman, Austin Frisbee, J. H. Greenlee and W. C. Melver.

Following is a statement about the campaign as issued by Governor Clyde R. Hoey:

"North Carolina's great farm industry is closely allied with the dairy cow and her products, the annual income from which in this state approaches \$32,000,000. This will indicate the importance of this industry and also the possibilities in its further development.

"Scientists have long recognized the high nutritional value of milk and its products, butter, cheese and ice cream; and from youth to old age they occupy primary positions in the diet as nourishing, refreshing and appetizing drinks and dishes. A nation's human health is greatly enhanced by the products of the dairy cow, the foster mother of mankind.

"Today milk and other dairy products are relatively cheap; and June being the season of abundance on the market, prices always tend downward. Therefore during the month of June milk will be among the most economical food purchases for any family.

"With the idea of stimulating the use of dairy products during this period, it has been determined that June shall be designated as the Dairy Month in North Carolina, during which time special attention should be given to dairy products and all of the people further urged to enjoy some of these delicious and wholesome products during these first summer months. And I admonish the people of North Carolina to drink more milk, use more butter, cheese and ice cream, and therefore increase the health and at the same time add to the ability of this industry in a period of peak production. And I trust that the month of June will find all of our people participating in this observance."

COUNTY SCHOOL ROUTES ARE BEING INSPECTED

Mr. Curtis Crissman, representative of the State School commission, is this week inspecting school bus routes and transportation systems in McDowell county. He arrived in Marion Tuesday and will be in the county for the remainder of the week.

School bus routes and all matters governing the transportation of school children are under the supervision and direction of the State School commission. Mr. Crissman will inspect transportation systems in the county and make recommendations for the next school year to the commission.

GLENWOOD POPULATION INCREASED 21 PER CENT

The population of the Glenwood community in McDowell county has increased 21 per cent over the 1930 census figure, according to an announcement made this week by Charles Z. Flack, district supervisor of the 1940 census.

The preliminary count for the Glenwood community shows a population of 176 this year as compared to 138 in 1930, an increase of 38. According to Mr. Flack, these figures are preliminary and subject to correction.

QUIZ PROGRAM HELD AT ROTARY MEETING

Questions and answers were featured on the program at the weekly meeting of the Marion Rotary club last Friday.

The program was under the direction of J. A. Wier. Following the luncheon and entertainment, a brief directors meeting was held.

DAIRY SPECIALIST

F. R. Farnham, state extension dairy specialist, will be in Marion on June 6 in the interest of better pasture planting and milk routes, announced County Agent S. L. Homewood this week.

SEVIER SPEAKS TO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES HERE

Advices Search For Abundant Life; Class Night And Grade Exercises Given.

Appealing to students to seek for the more abundant life, Dr. Joseph Sevier, president of Fassifern school for girls, told Marion high school graduates here last Friday night that greater things lay ahead for them than their fathers had ever dreamed about.

Dr. Sevier delivered the graduating address at the Marion high school to 51 seniors. He was introduced by Hugh F. Beam, superintendent of Marion city schools.

Pointing to the heritage that was theirs, he stated that some of the scientific advantages today have become the instruments of the devil. He urged the proper use of the instruments of this scientific age and told the graduates to lead the more abundant life, physically, mentally and spiritually.

Scientific development in this world is just beginning, he said. Greater things are to come, but youth will find its happiness in lives devoted to its fellowmen and God.

The graduation exercises were opened by the Marion high school band playing a theme from "Pomp and Circumstance", by Elgar, for the professional. The invocation was by Dr. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Methodist church.

The salutatory address was given by Nancy Barnes and the valedictory by Mildred Snipes.

Awards to outstanding students were made by H. C. Holland, principal of the high school, as follows: Scholarship—Mildred Snipes, Emily Holton, Ruth Hawkins, and J. B. Walker; citizenship—Joyce Henline, Emily Holton, Faye Black and Swanne Ricks; Outstanding musicians—Bobby Gourley, and Virginia Mae McCall; and outstanding athletes—Doyle Ayers and Edith Ruffy.

Diplomas were presented by Mr. Beam to the 51 graduates. A baritone solo, "Beautiful Colorado," by DeLuca, was presented by Bobby Gourley. The band closed the program with "God Bless America."

Mascots for the graduating class were Elaine and Eddie Shoemaker. Marshals, chosen on the basis of scholarship, were: Emily Holton, chief; Henry Dodge, Vernon Rader, Carolyn Bowers, Virginia Mae McCall, Lorine Hensley and Billy Alley.

Senior Class Program

The senior class night program was presented at the school on last Thursday night, when the graduates took part in a play entitled, "The Wedding of Miss Senior Class and Mr. Life of Service." The cast of the play was made up of some 20 characters with Elizabeth Leonard and Robert Rowe playing the leading roles.

During the senior program the class prophecy was given by Bill Moody. Historian of the class was (Continued on last page)

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION

Whereas, milk and its products constitute an important part of the diet of our entire population and are an absolutely essential part of the daily food supply of many of our citizens; and

Whereas, it is generally recognized that our present consumption of milk is far short of the amounts considered by nutrition authorities as proper and practical, namely, one quart daily for children through adolescence and one pint daily for adults,

Now, therefore, I, Zeno Martin, Mayor of the city of Marion, do hereby proclaim June 1st to 30th next inclusive, as Dairy Month and ask the citizens of Marion to give recognition through act and deed to this great industry, and to the 100,000 members of our farm families in the State who are engaged in dairy farming through which we are supplied with this vital food.