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Roosevelt Leads Party To His Third Victory In County, State And Nation

People Endorse First Third Term In History, Elect Broughton As Governor.

Heavy Democratic majorities for President Roosevelt and J. M. Broughton, gubernatorial nominee, were recorded in McDowell county and throughout the state last Tuesday. Roosevelt had 5,292 votes in McDowell to 2,216 for Willkie, while Broughton had 5,325 in the county to 2,115 for McNeill.

According to the latest returns available yesterday, Roosevelt was swept into a third term by an electoral landslide. Latest statistics gave Roosevelt an electoral vote of 472 to 59 for Willkie. Roosevelt led in the voting in 40 states, although his majorities in some border-line states were not impressive. Wendell Willkie gave up the fight yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock, wiring congratulations to President Roosevelt on his victory.

The New Deal rode over opposition in New England states, the great industrial states of the middle east, carried the Solid South and the Far West. The Middle West, or some six states in that area, held out for Willkie. Republicans and other Willkie supporters began to concede the victory to Roosevelt late Tuesday night when it became apparent that Pennsylvania, New York, and Ohio, states with large electoral votes, were definitely in the New Deal fold.

The latest tabulation available gave Roosevelt a popular vote of 20,609,736 or 54.4 percent as compared to 17,228,677 or 45.6 percent for Willkie.

In the gubernatorial voting in the state J. M. Broughton, in unofficial returns from 1,471 precincts, had 479,510 votes to 137,789 for Robert H. McNeill, Republican choice. Broughton carried McDowell by more than two to one over McNeill, his total vote in the state as a whole being more than three times that of McNeill.

Congressman Zeb Weaver, Democrat seeking reelection, carried McDowell two to one over his opponent, Robert F. Jarrett, Republican. Weaver had 5,252 votes in McDowell to 2,117 for Jarrett. In the state, with 161 out of 255 precincts reporting, Weaver had 55,096 votes to 21,057 for Jarrett.

Voting for other candidates in McDowell went as follows:

- Lieutenant-governor — Harris 4,980; Leavitt 1,977.
- Secretary of state — Eure 4,981; Ferree 1,970.
- Auditor — Pou 4,986; Van Hoy 1,961.
- Treasurer — Johnson 4,976; Gragg, 1,964.
- Attorney-general — McMullan 4,972; Browning 1,995.
- Superintendent of public instruction — Erwin 4,987; Pace 1,970.
- Commissioner of agriculture — Scott 4,975; Allen 1,971.
- Commissioner of insurance — Boney 4,991; Phelps 1,956.
- Commissioner of labor — Shuford 4,982; Fussell 1,963.

MARION IS TO PLAY N.C.S.D. HERE FRIDAY

The Marion high school eleven will have its first home game in several weeks here Friday afternoon. The local squad will tackle the North Carolina School for the Deaf team on the high school field here at 3:30 o'clock.

Rested after not playing for two weeks, the local squad promises to be in good shape for the Friday game. Two weeks ago the local griders defeated Forest City there to the tune of 7 to 2. With only two wins to their credit the squad is expected to be out Friday to better its record.

The high school band will be out for the game and a large attendance is expected for the first home game in some time. The local team meets Cherryville here next week and closes the season by meeting Morganton there November 22.

PALMER TO SPEAK AT BANQUET HERE TONIGHT

Marion's second employer-employee banquet will be held in the Community building here tonight, November 7, at 7:00 o'clock with Roy Palmer, merchandising manager of the Duke Power Company in the Carolinas, the guest speaker. Mr. Palmer will speak on better merchandising as applied to owners as well as employed personnel.

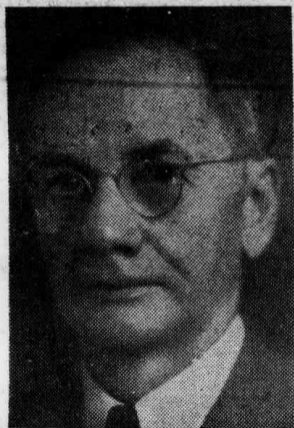
The banquet is being sponsored by the merchants' division of the McDowell Chamber of Commerce.

Christmas sales promotion plans for Marion and McDowell county will be outlined for the benefit of employers and employees. At the close of the dinner there will be a social-recreation program in which all persons attending the banquet will be asked to participate. Dinner will be served by the Business Women's group of the Methodist church.

According to Chamber Secretary Walter J. Cartier, the employer-employee banquets are held to better relations between employers and their workers. With the Christmas sales season so near the theme of merchandising has been chosen for the meeting tonight in the attempt to make salesmen and saleswomen more aware of the advantages of proper merchandising to both employer and employee, said Mr. Cartier.

MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY

The First National Bank and the Marion Industrial Bank will be closed on November 11 in observance of Armistice Day.



L. J. P. CUTLAR—Democrat, who was elected Senator from this District.

SERVICE MEDALS ARE PRESENTED TO FIREMEN

Service medals were awarded to 17 members of the Marion Fire Department here Wednesday night of last week at a banquet held at the Town Hall. The awards were made by Mayor Zeno Martin.

Six members of the department were presented with 25-year service medals. Dr. P. D. Sinclair of Marion commended the 25-year men on their record with the fire department and the service they have rendered to the town of Marion. Receiving 25-year medals were M. J. Hoover, A. K. Weaver, C. R. McCall, G. W. Giles, I. W. Saunders and J. P. Ray.

Other service medals were awarded as follows Twenty-year—Von T. Ray, W. R. Alley, L. W. Erwin, R. W. Atwell, W. P. Finley and Dr. P. D. Sinclair.

Fifteen-year—G. W. Smith and J. H. Tate. Ten-year—Glenn Laughridge and C. E. Bolick. Five-year—E. R. Keeter.

The announcement was made that in the future medals will be awarded to all members of the department on completing the first five years service and every succeeding five-year period.

Approximately 22 honorary and active firemen attended the banquet. Among the guests were R. S. Clay, Ossie Sutton, Mayor Martin, Hudson Brown and members of the Marion board of aldermen.

Hold Commanding Lead



Franklin D. Roosevelt



Henry A. Wallace

President and Vice-President

Large Majorities Are Given All Democratic Candidates In McDowell County Voting

Rabb And Cutlar Lead Ticket As Lackey, Allanach And Commissioners Have Victory

With four exceptions McDowell's 17 precincts gave large majorities to Democratic county candidates in the election Tuesday. These four precincts, having comparatively few voters, had little effect on the large Democratic majorities throughout the county that carried L. J. P. Cutlar and Wade R. Matheny into the state Senate, J. C. Rabb into the state House of Representatives, elected Zeb L. Lackey register of deeds and E. A. Allanach county surveyor, and reelected I. L. Caplan, C. A. Workman and R. P. Morris as county commissioners.

Crooked Creek precinct went decidedly Republican in the election. Montford's Cove gave only a slight lead to Republicans over Democrats and Bracketts and Turkey Cove were on the border line between the two parties.

J. C. Rabb, in his race for the legislature, polled the highest vote of any county candidate, leading the field with 5,298. L. J. P. Cutlar, candidate for the Senate, was only one vote behind with 5,297, according to unofficial returns.

I. L. Caplan, C. A. Workman and R. P. Morris, McDowell county commissioners seeking reelection, each polled more than double the votes of

their Republican opponents, C. Y. Banning, R. A. Lonon, and Johnson N. Nesbitt. Mr. Rabb received more than double the votes of his Republican opponent, O. Dennis Haynes.

Tuesday's election was said to have aroused more interest than any that has been held in the county in many years. Approximately 7,300 people went to the polls in the county to set a high mark for the number of voters that has rarely, if ever, been equaled in the county. Such was the trend throughout the nation as the Presidential race drew in thousands of voters who would not otherwise have gone to the polls.

MISS CURRENT IS TO SPEAK BEFORE ROTARY

Miss Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent, will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Marion Rotary club here Friday at noon. Miss Current will be in Marion in connection with a home demonstration club meeting being held here. The Rotary program will be under the direction of Walter J. Cartier.

Perfect attendance was recorded at the Rotary club's meeting here last Friday. Rev. W. A. Jenkins gave a report on a Rotary convention in High Point and Dr. P. N. DeVere gave a resume of a meeting in Minneapolis. The program was under the direction of Clarence Rabb. Joseph Von Hammer of Boston was a guest.

ACHIEVEMENT DAY FOR McDOWELL CLUBS NOV. 8

The annual achievement day program of McDowell home demonstration clubs will be presented in the Community building here Friday, beginning at 10:00 o'clock in the morning.

Miss Ruth Current, state home demonstration agent, will be the guest speaker and Miss Anna Rowe, western district agent, will take part in the program. Mrs. J. H. L. Miller, county council president, will preside.

The achievement day program is being held to review the work and accomplishments of home demonstration clubs in McDowell during the past year.

The program for the day is as follows:

- Song, "God Bless America," with Mrs. R. O. Wilson at the piano and Mrs. Watson Wilson directing.
- Devotional: Mrs. G. T. Greenway.
- Review of year's work — Food leaders.

Presentation of awards of merit and certificates—Miss Anna Rowe.

Introduction of speaker — Miss Anna Rowe.

Address—Miss Ruth Current.

Presentation of gavel and awarding of prizes—Mrs. J. H. L. Miller.

Introduction of guests—Mrs. J. H. L. Miller.

Remarks—Walter J. Cartier.

Solo—Albert Hewitt.

"Home Demonstration Clubs and Civic Clubs—Miss Ruth Current.

Lunch by the Chapel Hill club.

Tour of the home of Mr. and Mrs. William McIver.

LAUGHLIN IS ELECTED SECRETARY OF KIWANIS

J. B. Laughlin was elected secretary of the Marion Kiwanis club at its regular meeting here on Tuesday night. President A. S. Bradford called a meeting of the board of directors of the club for next week.



J. C. RABB—Democrat, elected to House of Representatives.

Unofficial Vote of McDowell County, 1940

| PRECINCTS | Senate | | Rep. | | Reg. of Deeds | | County Commissioners | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|----------|------------|---------------|---------|----------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|
| | Cutlar, D. | Matheny, D. | Rabb, D. | Haynes, R. | Lackey, D. | Poe, R. | Caplan, D. | Workman, D. | Morris, D. | Banning, R. | Lonon, R. | Nesbitt, R. | Allanach, D. Surveyor |
| Marion, No. 1 | 930 | 907 | 934 | 230 | 905 | 253 | 908 | 913 | 910 | 245 | 243 | 239 | 912 |
| Marion, No. 2 | 737 | 718 | 735 | 251 | 725 | 258 | 720 | 726 | 723 | 269 | 257 | 256 | 724 |
| Marion, No. 3 | 467 | 458 | 467 | 66 | 464 | 63 | 457 | 460 | 464 | 68 | 69 | 67 | 460 |
| Marion, No. 4 | 560 | 554 | 566 | 143 | 560 | 148 | 557 | 564 | 560 | 147 | 148 | 147 | 556 |
| Marion, No. 5 | 257 | 251 | 258 | 112 | 257 | 113 | 252 | 254 | 253 | 116 | 114 | 113 | 253 |
| Old Fort, No. 1 | 366 | 351 | 369 | 131 | 379 | 116 | 352 | 350 | 347 | 126 | 130 | 135 | 359 |
| Old Fort, No. 2 | 401 | 387 | 400 | 164 | 429 | 142 | 382 | 387 | 390 | 161 | 157 | 193 | 396 |
| Nebo | 278 | 265 | 274 | 97 | 266 | 108 | 268 | 272 | 272 | 106 | 103 | 99 | 272 |
| Bracketts | 20 | 23 | 23 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 24 | 20 | 20 | 22 | 23 | 22 | 21 |
| Montford Cove | 113 | 110 | 114 | 119 | 115 | 119 | 110 | 109 | 111 | 127 | 119 | 122 | 110 |
| Turkey Cove | 143 | 137 | 135 | 126 | 138 | 126 | 136 | 135 | 135 | 126 | 129 | 125 | 137 |
| North Cove | 162 | 154 | 169 | 74 | 164 | 76 | 162 | 161 | 161 | 72 | 84 | 78 | 166 |
| Buck Creek | 286 | 263 | 283 | 108 | 269 | 116 | 262 | 270 | 268 | 118 | 116 | 118 | 275 |
| Crooked Creek | 152 | 145 | 148 | 239 | 170 | 230 | 153 | 152 | 152 | 235 | 233 | 236 | 147 |
| Dysartsville | 183 | 184 | 184 | 75 | 185 | 76 | 186 | 185 | 183 | 78 | 75 | 75 | 184 |
| Higgins | 89 | 86 | 88 | 37 | 86 | 40 | 88 | 88 | 88 | 41 | 41 | 40 | 87 |
| Glenwood | 153 | 150 | 153 | 86 | 159 | 86 | 149 | 150 | 146 | 88 | 86 | 86 | 152 |
| Total | 5297 | 5143 | 5298 | 2078 | 5292 | 2093 | 5166 | 5196 | 5183 | 2145 | 2127 | 2151 | 5211 |

ADVISORY GROUP CHOSEN BY DRAFT BOARD OF COUNTY

Order Numbers For Registered Men In McDowell County Are To Be Posted Soon.

The McDowell county draft board announced this week that an advisory committee for Marion and vicinity has been appointed with Roy W. Davis as chairman. Members of the committee will assist registrants in filling out questionnaires by which they will be classified by the draft board.

Order numbers for McDowell registrants have been received by the local draft board and these will be posted in the near future, it has been announced. In the next day or two the board will begin mailing out questionnaires in lots of 50 to registered men.

It has been pointed out that it is not necessary for registrants to consult members of the advisory committee in filling out questionnaires but that the purpose of the committee is to assist where assistance is required.

Members named to the local advisory committee are: Roy W. Davis, chairman, Zeno Martin, C. C. Bolch, Hugh Conley, Paul O. Nafe, Albert Neal, Hugh F. Beam, Guy S. Kirby, Jr., E. P. Dameron, Mrs. Fred Bolch, William F. Grant, Hiram Bishop, Jr., J. E. Neal, Jr., G. F. Washburn, W. D. Lonon, Paul J. Story, W. C. Chambers, A. H. Mitchem, E. A. Morgan, U. E. Cross, G. W. Giles, D. F. Giles, S. E. Whitten, Ralph Tate and Jack Ballew.

Advisory committees for other parts of the county will be appointed as soon as possible, it has been announced.

Members of the McDowell county draft board are: W. L. Morris, A. S. Bradford, Wm. S. Shiflet and Dr. J. B. Johnson. Robert W. Proctor Marion attorney, is appeals agent.

HOME GUARD UNIT FOR MARION PLANNED HERE

A Home Guard unit will be organized here by McDowell Post, No. 56, of the American Legion according to plans that have been announced by the Legion. Officers to head the unit have been elected, J. H. Beaman being chosen captain; Geo. C. Crawford, first lieutenant; Carr Bell, second lieutenant; B. H. Laughridge, first sergeant and E. F. Hair, company clerk.

Home guard units are being organized in many towns throughout the United States by American Legion posts to take the place of National Guard units that have been called into service. The Home Guard units will perform the same service as the National Guard and will be composed of ex-service men and men from all walks of life who care to enlist.

It is expected that members of the unit will be drilled and will be given rifle practice. Equipment will be furnished by the government.

The local unit is expected to be organized completely in the near future and between 100 and 150 men are expected to enlist. Members will be temporarily deputized by Sheriff Grady Nichols so they can drill legally until the unit is given official recognition.

POLICE SEEKING MAN WHO ATTACKED WOMAN

An unidentified man who attacked Mrs. Will Erwin here last Friday night and then fled, leaving a large open knife in her car, was still being sought by the local police yesterday.

According to Mrs. Erwin, she had entered her car about 10:30 Friday night to start home from a bridge party. After driving off in the car, the unidentified man raised up from the floor of the back seat and clutched her throat saying, "Drive on and don't scream." Mrs. Erwin stopped the car immediately, screamed and as the assailant reached for his knife, she jumped from the car.

Other persons at the party rushed to Mrs. Erwin's car, but the man made his escape. Mrs. Erwin said she had no idea who it was, but she thought he wore a suede jacket.