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

Claim 407 Electoral Votes Are Assured; Hoey And Cherry Swept Into Office.

Heavy Democratic majorities for President Roosevelt, Clyde R. Hoey, nominee for U. S. Senator, and R. Gregg Cherry, gubernatorial nominee, were reported in McDowell county and throughout the state last Tuesday.

Unofficial returns from 1384 of the state's 1922 precincts gave Roosevelt 413,141 votes to 177,624 for Governor Dewey—almost the same ratio by which the President carried the state in 1940.

Cherry, Gastonia lawyer, veteran legislator and former state commander of the American Legion, polled 303,356 votes and his opponent, Frank Patton, of Morganton, 115,308 returns from 1,062 precincts.

In the 11 congressional districts 37 out of 151 precincts gave A. L. Bulwinkle 14,619, E. V. Moss 5,134.

President Roosevelt's big lead in his fourth term election lengthened with returns coming in yesterday. Returns announced yesterday pointed to his electoral vote margin over Governor Thomas E. Dewey towards 407 to 124.

JOHN W. BALLEW DIES AT HOME AT BRIDGEWATER AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

John W. Ballew, age 84, died at his home near Bridgewater, Thursday morning, November 2, after a short illness. Mr. Ballew, a prominent farmer, former railroad man and a Mason, a native of Yancey county came to McDowell county in the year 1887. He was employed by the Southern Railway Company until twenty-five years ago when he retired to his farm near Bridgewater. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, which he built in 1901 and was an Elder until his death.

He was twice married, his first wife being Indiana Riddle, of Burnsville, who died in 1894. To their union was born five children who survive: W. Jay, Mrs. Ralph Abernethy, Mrs. T. B. McDaniel, Mrs. Hattie Middleton and Mrs. H. R. Ellis. His second wife, who survives him, is the former Ellen Ballew, of Yancey county. Six children of this union survive: Mrs. Tom Stacey, of Nebo; Winslow G., of Marion; Mrs. R. E. Patton, of Statesville; Mrs. J. E. Middleton, of Nebo; Mrs. I. A. McLain; M. Sgt. Jack Ballew of the U. S. Army, stationed in Burma. He is also survived by twenty-two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Bridgewater Presbyterian Church, Friday, November 3, at 3 o'clock, with Rev. R. C. Clontz, pastor of the church and Dr. Carl W. McMurray, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial followed in the family cemetery.

LT. WINBORNE INJURED WHILE SERVING AT SEA

Lt. J. Wallace Winborne, Jr., former resident of Marion and son of Justice J. W. Winborne of Raleigh, received a foot injury while serving aboard ship, according to word received by his wife, who is now residing in Atlanta, and later by relatives here.

The injury occurred while Lt. Winborne was passing from one ship to another. He slipped and the foot was mashed between the ships. The first message was received on October 16 and later word received from Lt. Winborne stated that he was a patient in a hospital, his foot had been placed in a cast, but that he was recovering nicely. His present station is not known.

SCOUT COURT OF HONOR SET FOR FRIDAY NIGHT

A court of honor for McDowell county Boy Scouts will be held at the First Methodist church Friday night, Nov. 10, at 7:30 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

CHERRY HEARD BY LARGE CROWD HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

Nothing is more essential to the well-being of the people than "that their government shall at all times have their best interest at heart and shall be operated solely with that purpose in view," declared R. Gregg Cherry, Democratic nominee for governor in a speech at the Democratic rally at the court house here last Saturday night.

R. W. Proctor, county chairman, presided and introduced the county officials who made brief talks. Mr. Proctor also introduced Major Cherry, who was greeted by a large and enthusiastic audience.

The candidate described the Democratic party as one which was conducted for the service of the people and declared that the Republican party was the agency of "selfish and special privilege interests." He urged full support of the Democratic candidates, state and national, at the polls Tuesday.

"An honest political party is the best vehicle for sound and constructive government," declared Mr. Cherry, "and the Democratic party in North Carolina has for 44 years represented honesty and integrity in the interests of the people."

The Democratic party has brought about the state operated highway system, the nine-months and twelve-grade school system, an improved public health program, social advances such as old age assistance, care for the blind, care for dependent women and children and unemployment insurance, continued the speaker, in listing some of the accomplishments he said entitled the Democratic party to continued support.

Discussing the national administration, Mr. Cherry declared that farmers, businessmen, laborers, in fact practically all classes, had been benefitted and brought to higher economic levels by the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt. He compared this with the previous twelve years of Republican administration which he said had brought to the nation the worst depression in history and "had created a condition which almost amounted to national bankruptcy, when most individuals had all but abandoned hope for the future." He put the choice to the people between "a return to the terrible days of Hoover and the happy and increasingly prosperous years of Roosevelt's regime" and expressed the belief that there was "only one choice, the reelection of President Roosevelt."

PHILLIPS IS SPEAKER AT DISTRICT MEETING HERE

C. W. Phillips, of the Woman's College U. N. C., state president of the North Carolina congress of Parents and Teachers spent Wednesday morning of last week at the annual meeting of district number 2 of the congress which was held at the First Methodist Church here. The meeting was opened with the devotional by Dr. D. E. Camak, pastor of the First Methodist Church and greetings were extended by H. F. Beam, superintendent of the Marion City Schools.

Mrs. Charles E. Rowe, national field worker, spoke on information time during the morning session and conducted a question hour at the afternoon session. Illustrating the several pamphlets and papers edited by the National Parent-Teacher Association, Mrs. J. W. Burke, of Gibsonville, explained what they contained and told why they should be used.

Luncheon was served by the members of the local Parent-Teacher Association.

Mrs. J. Worth Morgan, of Forest City was elected director and Mrs. Maurice Smart, of Forest City, was elected secretary. The meeting was well attended with representatives from Lenoir, Forest City, Newland, Morganton, Rutherfordton and other points in the district represented.

Buy More War Bonds.



J. C. RABB
Re-elected to House



ZEB L. LACKEY
Re-elected Register of Deeds

Rayon Finishing Plant Planned For Old Fort

**Delaware Company Buys The
Old Tannery Property For
Site For New Plant.**

Old Fort—Plans for the construction of a rayon finishing plant here by the United Textile and Merchants Manufacturing company of Delaware were revealed Friday with the announcement that the firm has purchased the old tannery property in Old Fort from the Marion Machine company.

Excavation work at the site is expected to get under way in the near future and members of the Six Associates, architectural firm in Asheville, said that plans are being made to begin building work as soon as WPB approval will permit.

Mayor Harvey J. Rockett, in announcing completion of the transfer of the property, said negotiations had been under way between the company and the owners for about nine months. Mayor Rockett has taken an active part in the negotiations.

Erection of the plant is scheduled to be accomplished in three steps. As soon as the first is completed, employment will be given to 250 to 300 workmen and by the end of the third year the last unit is scheduled to be completed, with capacity employment at that time around 700.

Building requirements have not yet been definitely decided, it was announced, but in addition to the main units housing the plant, it is expected that a power house and a water filter plant will be included.

Property purchased by the company includes 96 acres in and near the center of the town, with the buildings standing on the tannery property. Old Fort residents subscribed \$4,500 for the purchase of 20 acres adjoining this tract for the site of the filter plant.

Operates 10 Plants

The Delaware corporation is operating 19 plants at various points in the United States now and said that plans are to operate the Old Fort plant on a three-shift basis 52 weeks

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McDowell War Fund Goes Well Over The Top

County Raises Total Of \$9,660.89 For The Various Relief Organizations.

McDowell county has not failed; its \$9,200 quota in the United War Fund drive has been raised, it was announced yesterday by Mayor J. F. Wilkinson, county chairman.

Mr. Wilkinson reported that total contributions amounted to \$9,660.89, exceeding the quota by \$460.89.

Mr. Wilkinson desires to express his thanks to all who assisted in the drive. It was realized that the quota set was a large amount to raise, but with hard work and generous contributions by the manufacturing plants, business houses and individuals the challenge has been met.

The money which will go to furnish food, clothing and medical supplies to people who are starving, homeless and ill will show to the world that Americans are grateful for the plenty which they enjoy.

LT. PADGETT RECEIVES MILITARY HONORS

Lt. (j. g.) Joe L. Padgett, after spending a 30-day leave here, left for Fort Pierce, Florida for temporary duty at the Amphibious Training Base in Development and Research in Demolition Warfare.

Lt. Padgett took part in the Invasion of Normandy, also in Southern France as officer-in-charge of a Naval Combat Unit. Before leaving for overseas he received a personal commendation from the commander-in-chief of the Atlantic Fleet for outstanding research work in amphibious warfare.

His unit received the Presidential Unit citation for successful performance in the Normandy Invasion.

BANKS WILL CLOSE SATURDAY, NOV. 11

The First National and Marion Industrial Banks will be closed Saturday, November 11, in observance of Armistice Day, it was announced yesterday.

Large Majorities Are Given All Democratic Nominees In McDowell County Voting

McDOWELL'S QUOTA IN NEW WAR LOAN DRIVE IS \$365,000

McDowell county's share in the impending Sixth War Loan drive has been set at \$365,000, it was announced yesterday by J. F. Snipes and J. N. Morris, who will again act as co-chairmen of the drive. The figure is \$81,000 less than the quota for the Fifth War Loan drive. The quota for E bonds alone is \$159,000.

North Carolina's over-all quota is \$121,000,000, and the national quota for the drive is \$14,000,000,000.

While the sixth war loan drive officially begins November 20, it is announced, sales of all series of E, F and G bonds made from November 1 to December 31 will be counted in the drive quotas and included in the final tabulations.

The local chairmen stated that a meeting will be called at an early date to set up an organization and make plans for the drive beginning November 20.

C. L. NORWOOD, OLD FORT SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Charles LiDell Norwood, 43, principal of Old Fort schools, died at an Asheville hospital Thursday afternoon following a brief illness.

Funeral services were held at Old Fort high school auditorium Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, the Rev. Thomas B. Ruff, the Rev. D. C. Wesson, the Rev. H. O. Huss, the Rev. M. C. Stevens, the Rev. H. C. Marley, the Rev. F. M. Williams, the Rev. J. C. Farmer and the Rev. R. L. Smith officiating.

Pallbearers were members of the school boards of McDowell county and the town of Old Fort. Burial took place at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon at Waxhaw, near his birthplace.

Memorial services were held at the Old Fort schools Friday morning, with Harry Swafford, acting principal, in charge.

Mr. Norwood had been active in school work in North Carolina nearly 20 years and had served as principal of Glenwood school in McDowell county four years before going to Old Fort as principal four years ago. Before going to Glenwood, he had been a member of the Old Fort faculty.

He was a deacon in the Old Fort Presbyterian church and was active in church and civic affairs. He was president of the McDowell county chapter of the North Carolina Education association at the time of his death.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Jem McGairt of Monroe; a son, Charles LiDell, Jr., of Old Fort; a daughter, Margaret Louise, of Old Fort; his mother, Mrs. W. W. Norwood of Waxhaw; three brothers, A. B. and F. R. Norwood of Charlotte; and four sisters, Mrs. S. H. Stevenson, Mrs. J. O. B. Hughey and Mrs. E. E. McCain of Waxhaw, and Mrs. C. F. Gamble of Charlotte.

Lackey and Rabb Lead Tick- et; Caplan, Workman, Hol- land, Allanach Re-elected.

The national, state and local democratic tickets Tuesday swept McDowell county in one-sided vote that approximated majorities of 1700 or more, incomplete returns compiled yesterday showed.

Indications were that the complete vote would be lighter than that cast in this county in 1940 and that Roosevelt received a somewhat smaller proportion than he did in his contest with Wilkie four years ago.

With reports in from 15 of the 17 precincts the vote for president stood Roosevelt 3,703; Dewey 2,104. In the race for U. S. Senator 15 of McDowell's precincts reported a total of 3,713 for Clyde R. Hoey and 2,030 for his Republican opponent, A. T. Ferree.

The vote for governor from 15 of the 17 precincts was R. Gregg Cherry, Democrat, 3,869; Frank C. Patton, Republican, 2,060.

The vote for congress from 15 precincts was A. L. Bulwinkle, Democratic incumbent, 3,745; E. B. Moss, Republican, 2,012.

In the various county races figures have been tabulated from 16 of the 17 precincts with the following results:

Representative: J. C. Rabb, Democrat, 3,964; E. P. Crawford, Republican, 2,104.

Register of Deeds: Z. L. Lackey, Democrat, 4,012; Clarence M. Poole, Republican, 2,085.

County Commissioners: Democrats—I. L. Caplan, 3,863; C. L. Holland, 3,857, and C. A. Workman, 3,919. Republicans—J. N. Nesbitt, 2,145; E. W. Parker, 2,209, and C. Y. Banning, 2,117.

E. A. Allanach, county surveyor, was reelected without opposition.

Wade B. Matheny and Lee B. Weathers, Democratic senators from this district, were given large majorities. Matheny received 3,368 votes and Weathers 3,342 votes in 14 of the 17 precincts reported. Their opponent, Charles Logan, Republican, received 1,655 votes.

DR. JOSEPH COHEN OF TEXAS TO SPEAK IN MARION NEXT SUNDAY

Dr. Joseph Cohen, of Dallas, Texas, who has made five trips to Europe within the last fifteen years, the last being made as Europe flamed with war, will speak in Marion three times next Sunday. He speaks Sunday morning at the First Baptist church at 11 o'clock, at East Marion Baptist church at 6:30 p. m. and again Sunday evening at the Clinchfield Baptist church at 7:30.

Dr. Cohen was in France when Paris fell to the Germans; he was in Germany on Victory Day there; and he was in Russia at the outbreak of hostilities. He witnessed Hitler's war drive in motion, saw much of what went on in Germany, and has recently returned from Russia. His subject Sunday morning at the First Baptist church will be "The Bible, the Jew, Hitler, and Christ."

Dr. Cohen is noted as a speaker, a writer and lecturer. He has written many articles, and has spoken in more than 1,800 of America's greatest churches.

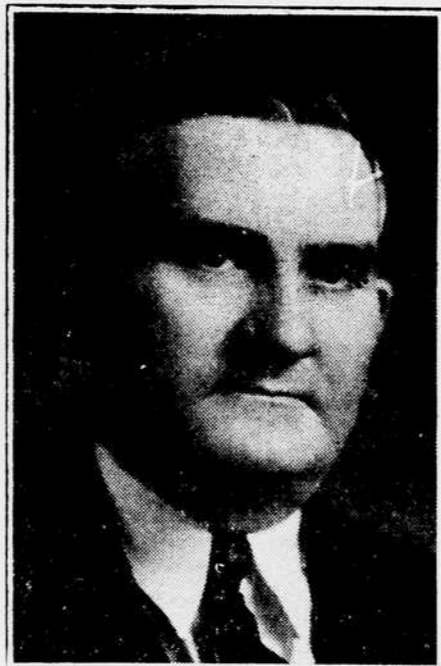
The public is cordially invited to hear him at the three churches where he is to speak Sunday.

PLEASANT GARDENS P.T.A. MEETING TONIGHT AT 7:30

The Parent Teacher Association of Pleasant Gardens will hold its regular November meeting on Thursday of this week at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. The general theme will be "How Can Education Be Made More Effective?" The guest speaker for the occasion will be F. M. Waters, superintendent of Hendersonville schools. Mr. Waters is an educator of wide experience.

The school program will be presented by the seventh grade under the direction of Mrs. Babel Moser.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RE-ELECTED



I. L. CAPLAN



C. A. WORKMAN



C. L. HOLLAND