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Richmond County Board of Elections Makes Full Recount and Declares Primary Nominees

J. G. Jewell Wins for the State Senate by 55 Majority, and Bob McNair for the House by 29. Morse Majority Over Sheriff McNair is 409. Two Candidates for Constable Tied at 1135 Votes Each. County Board Made a Thorough Recount of All Absentees and a Complete Recount of County Boxes. Hamlet No. 1 Box Had Serious Error.

General Opinion is That Voting by Absentee Method Should be Abolished. Never Has There Been a Hotter or Closer Primary Held in Richmond County. "Back to Normalcy" Should Be the Purpose of Our Citizens, and the Scars Caused by the Intense Fights Be Allowed to Heal.

THE PRIMARY RESULTS Recount Was Worth While.

The July 2nd primary is now history, insofar as the county candidates are concerned. The Board of Elections, consisting of Isaac London, Jesse Leigh and Carl McLean went thoroughly into every phase of the July 2nd voting, and the various pieces of linen, figuratively speaking, have been washed in public and apparently to the satisfaction of all concerned.

No real errors were found except in Hamlet No. 1. In that box, the recount showed that Jewell should have received 628 instead of the 599 first reported for him, and Harrison should have received 165 instead of the 194 given him. This made a net difference of 58 votes. And Bob McNair in that box got 9 less than he was entitled to, and Leath 6 more than he was due.

kill for County Commissioner was increased from 816 to 884. In the recheck of the Absentees, 114 of the 447 cast for Congress were thrown out, with Burgin losing 17 and Deane 97. 115 of the 450 cast for State Senate were thrown out—Harrison losing 65 and Jewell losing 50. 118 of the 449 Absentees cast for the House, were discarded—Leath losing 54 and Bob McNair 64. In the Sheriff's race, 451 Absentees were cast and 115 were thrown out—Morse losing 62 and McNair losing 53.

State Board of Elections on Friday to Decide Whether a Recount Will Be Had in Davidson

Deane Gained 48 in Union, 10 in Montgomery, 22 in Davidson, But Lost 79 in Richmond. Burgin's Majority is Now Only 73. Deane Confident He will be Declared the Nominee if State Board will Go into the Alleged Absentee Frauds in Davidson County. Deane's Friends Assaulted and Beaten by Burgin Supporters in Davidson.

Tax Rate \$1.05

Despite Million Dollar Less Valuations by Acquiring of Land by the Government.

Despite the fact there has disappeared from the County books approximately one million dollars in tax valuation, the County Commissioners were able to hold the tax rate down to \$1.05 per hundred. The special tax rates are the same as last year; Rockingham being 25c on the one hundred dollar valuation and Hamlet 22c on the one hundred dollar valuation.

222 Affidavits were Sent by Deane to the State Board at Raleigh Tuesday Afternoon with the High Sheriff to Protect Them. Deane To State His Case Before the State Board in Raleigh Tomorrow (Friday). Friends Are Indignant Over Treatment in Davidson County Given Deane.

INTERESTING ANALYSIS

Of July 2, 1938 Primary.

Table with 2 columns: County Name, Box vote cast, Total Absentees, Total vote. Rows for Richmond and Davidson counties.

615 LESS votes were cast in person in the boxes in Davidson county than were cast in person in the boxes in Richmond county. BUT 1394 MORE Absentees were cast in DAVIDSON than were cast in Richmond.

BATTLE OF AFFIDAVITS

Deane Contends for Fairness.

The State Board of Elections will meet in Raleigh at 10 o'clock tomorrow (Friday), and after two contests in the eastern part of the State are settled, the Board about noon will take up the problems of this 8th district Congressional race.

Mr. Deane felt that in several counties, irregularities had occurred which if corrected would give him a majority. Mr. Burgin countered by asking a recount in Richmond county. Mr. Deane offered no objection to this, and the Richmond county Board of Elections readily granted the Burgin request on July 5th without requiring any affidavits.

SUPERIOR COURT CIVIL-CRIMINAL

8 Divorces Granted at One Day's Session of Superior Court This Week. Criminal Term Next Monday, Under Judge Bivens.

This week's civil term of Court was brief—barely one day. The Judge was E. C. Bivens. He hurried off Monday afternoon for Blowing Rock.

Eight divorces were granted: C. L. from Mettie Williams. Robert from Leola Givings. Ruby from Raymond Manship. G. H. from Leah Moore. Alice from L. H. Crisco. Jack from Lillian O'Brien. Belle from Emory McKellar. Myrtice from Charlie Barnes.

GASTONIA WINS LEGION BRACKET

Richmond County Junior Legion Team Beaten by Gastonia.

After having advanced through Group 4 in the preliminaries, the Richmond county Legion Juniors lost out this week to Gastonia and is thereby eliminated in further Legion competition for this year.

The county team tied with the Harnett county team for Group 4, and our team was then placed with Raleigh and Gastonia in Bracket three. On July 11th we beat Raleigh 6-5. On July 13th Gastonia beat us 6-1, on the 15th Gastonia again won 7-4, and on the 19th Gastonia put the finishing touches by winning 8-7 in a ten-inning thriller.

And while Burgin was asking for a recount of Absentees in Richmond county, Deane was in Davidson asking for a recount in Davidson county. But the Davidson Board refused his request. And for the past two weeks the Deane forces have been getting affidavits in Davidson which if allowed by the State Board in Raleigh on Friday will result in Deane's nomination.

The Steele Will Case

Matters pertaining to the Will or Wills of the late Miss Fannie Steele who died Dec. 16, 1937, were heard before Judge Bivens, or rather consent agreements (Continued on page eight)

CIVITANS TONIGHT

Regular meeting of Civitan club tonight (Thursday), at 7. Mrs. Sam Griffith will make a talk on Africa.

DEATHS

- C. C. HOWELL
QUEEN MARIE
JOHN M. THOMAS
REV. T. M. STRIBLING
MRS. C. F. GREGSON
MRS. SARAH MONROE
JOHN CLARK BRYANT
BESSIE DAVIS, Colored

Heavy Rain Monday

3.90 Inches Fell in Space of Just Two Hours. 4.45 Inches for 24-hours. Limbs Break Lights for Two Hours.

Rockingham was visited by a record-breaker rain storm the afternoon of July 18th, from 4 (Continued on page eight)

First Tenant Loan Made July 18th to Will McGee for \$1550 for Farm

Government Lends Will McGee Money to Buy 62-Acre Farm. To be Repaid in 40 Years at Interest of 3%.

Papers Ready for Loan I. P. Bennett for \$5140 for the John Ormsby Farm Near Town.

Charlie B Utter, County FSA Supervisor in charge of the rural rehabilitation and tenant loan programs in this county, announced that a \$1550.00 check was presented on July 18th at 11:00 a. m. to Will McGee for the purchase and improvement of a farm. It is the first tenant purchase check to be presented in this county.

Bennett who lives south of Hamlet. The land to be bought for him is the John R. Ormsby farm three miles east of Rockingham on the Long Park road, and consists of 86.46 acres and costs \$4500. The loan is for \$5140 to enable him to fix the place up. Mr. Bennett is 45 years old, has a wife and nine children, two of the boys being 21 and 19. This makes the second loan, and there will be two more for this year, the papers for these to be passed shortly. Next year it is hoped there will be a much larger number of tenant loans made.

OFFICIAL TABULATION OF

result of the Recount of July 2, 1938, primary

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name, First count, Loss/Gain. Rows for Congress, State Senate, House, Sheriff, County Commissioner, County Recorder, County Solicitor, Constable Wolf Pit Township, Constable Rockingham Township.