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

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 115 of the 450 cast for State Allowed to Heal.

THE PRIMARY RESULTS Recount Was Worth While.

The July 2nd primary is now history, insofar as the county Jewell should have received 628 candidates are concerned.

The Board of Elections, consisting of Isaac London, Jesse the July 2nd voting, and the

first brought up by J. G. Jewell, candidates knowing anything acandidate for the Senate, who bout it, and entirely without on the face of the returns had their knowledge or consent. been defeated by W. E. Harri- The final and complete recount

the Board decided to recount duced from 419 to 409; and J. nice gentleman is the one with

No real errors were found except in Hamlet No. 1. In that box, the recount showed that instead of the 599 first reported for him, and Harrison should have received 165 instead of the Leigh and Carl McLean went 194 given him. This made a thoroughly into every phase of net difference of 58 votes. And Bob McNair in that box got 9 various pieces of linen, figura- less that he was entitled to, and tively speaking, have been wash- Leath 6 more than he was due. ed in public and apparently to The difference came about by the satisfaction of all concerned. reason of possibly improper call-The matter of a recount was ing, with of course none of the

son by the narrow margin of gave Jewell the nomination for tween them. 16 votes out of a total of 6898 the Senate by 55 majority as cast. Mr. Jewell on July 5th compared with the 16 majority asked the Board of Elections for that the original count had a recount of Hamlet No. 1 and given Harrison. Bob McNair's Rockingham boxes. And then majority over Thomas Leath for Mr. Harrison asked that several the House was reduced from 34 boxes be recounted in other to 29. H. F. Brown's majority candidate lost Absentees. It will over Billy Covington was re-Inasmuch as Mr. Burgin, can-duced from 301 to 295; Tom didate for Congress had on July Parsons' over Ammie Webb for 5th asked for a recount of the Solicitor was increased from 105 447 Absentees, and Sheriff. Mc- to 130; E. B. Morse's majority Nair had asked for a recount, over Sheriff McNair was re-

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. Senate were thrown out-Hacri- appeared from the County books son losing 65 and Jewell losing approximately one million dollars 50. 118 of the 449 Absentees in tax valuation, the County cast for the House, were dis- Commissioners were able to hold carded-Leath losing 54 and Bob the tax rate down to \$1.05 per McNair 64. In the Sheriff's hundred. The special tax rates race. 451 Absentees were cast are the same as last year; Rockand 115 were thrown out-Morse ingham being 25c on the one losing 62 and McNair losing 53. hundred dollar valuation and

Willie Diggs and Ruben Pierce dollar valuation. were tied for Constable of Rock- The loss of the one million ingham township, with 1135 votes dollar valuation was brought each. The original count had about by reason of the Governshown Pierce to be in the lead ment buying land in Richmond by two majority. The recount County and the collection of infound them tied, and so if the tangible taxes by the State. two men can't agree on which The appropriations for the shall get the job, then some time various departments in the Counbefore the election tickets are ty were made at a very close printed in October, the County and conservative figure. Democratic Executive Committee will have to meet and decide be-

In this issue is several tables, showing the results of the recount by precincts-what the old and recount box vote is, and how many and where each to study the various figures, and file them for future reference.

Pistols or swords or fists, the only weapon that seems fair to a the boxes for ALL the candi- W. Hamer's over L. F. McCas- with which he is sure to win.

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

J. G. Jewell Wins for the State Senate by 55 Majority, and Bob McNair 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 dis-As stated in last week's paper, Hamlet 22c on the one hundred

8 Divorces Granted at One Day's ssion of Superior Court This

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. Two suits were settled by compromise-auto accident cases Ernest Haynes vs Moss Bros. for \$1600, and Samuel Wooten vs McLester Roofing Co. for \$300. Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases convenes here this coming Monday, July 25th, with Judge Bivens presiding.

### The Steele Will Case

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

for Two Hours.

record-breaker rain storm the in this county. afternoon of July 18th, from 4 A second loan is now ready years, is buying the S. P. Quick (Continued on page eight)

\*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. Richmond County: Box vote cast ..... Total Absentees ..... Davidson County: Box vote cast ..... Total Absentees ....

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

Quite a difference between son and the comparatively small number of 447 cast in Richmond.

### **GASTONIA WINS** LEGION BRACKE

Team Beaten by Gastonia.

tition for this year.

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.

The unofficial tabulation of the July 2nd primary showed that W. O. Burgin of Davidson county had a majority of about 74 over C. B. Deane of Richmond county -out of a total of 38,608 votes

Mr. Deane felt that in sevson county than were cast in eral 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 5th without requiring any affidavits. As soon as the Burgin request was received on July 5th, the Board at once ordered a recount, this to begin the morning of July 8th. In the meantime, two or more county candidates here also asked for a recount of the county boxes, and so the Board decided to open up Richmond County Junior Legion all matters in connection with the primary.

And while Burgin was asking After having advanced through for a recount of Absentees in Group 4 in the preliminaries, Richmond county, Deane was in the Richmond county Legion Davidson asking for a recount Juniors lost out this week to in Davidson county. But the Gastonia and is thereby elimi- Davidson Board refused his renated in further Legion compe- quest. And for the past two weeks the Deane forces have The county team tied with been getting affidavits in Davidthe Harnett county team for son which if allowed by the Group 4, and our team was then State Board in Raleigh on Friplaced with Raleigh and Gas- day will result in Deane's nomtonia in Bracket three. On July ination. Deane on Tuesday sent 11th we beat Raleigh 6-5. On to the State Board in Raleigh a Matters pertaining to the Will July 13th Gastonia beat us 6-1, batch of 222 affidavits from or Wills of the late Miss Fannie on the 15th Gastonia again won voters in Davidson who swear Steele who died Dec. 16, 1937, 7-4, and on the 19th Gastonia that they either did not vote an were heard before Judge Bivens, put the finishing touches by Absentee, as they had been recwinning 8-7 in a ten-inning orded, or that the Absentees thriller. This gave Gastonia the wree irregular in some other Bracket championship, and it respect. These 222 affidavits was therefore not necessary for were sent to Raleigh Tuesday Raleigh and our county team to afternoon, and to safeguard them, play each other the two remain- and as a protection against (Continued on page Feur)

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

Interest of 3%.

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Ormsby Farm Near Town.

the purchase and improvement ber of tenant loans made. of a farm. It is the first tenant The McGee family, consisting

to be made, this to be to I. P.

Government Lends Will McGee Bennett who lives south of Ham-Money to Buy 62--Acre Farm. let. The land to be bought for To be Repaid in 40 Years at him is the John R. Ormsby farm three miles east of Rockingham on the Long Park road, and con-Papers Ready for Loan I. P. Ben- sists of 86.46 acres and costs nett for \$5140 for the John \$4500. The loan is for \$5140 to enable him to fix the place up. Mr. Bennett is 45 years old, has Charlie B Utter, County FSA a wife and nine children, two of Supervisor in charge of the the boys being 21 and 19. This rural rehabilitation and tenant makes the second loan, and there loan programs in this county, will be two more for this year, 3.90 Inches Fell in Space of Just announced that a \$1550.00 check the papers for these to be passed Two Hours. 4.45 Inches for was presented on July 18th at shortly. Next year it is hoped 24-hours. Limbs Break Lights 11:00 a. m. to Will McGee for there will be a much larger num-

Rockingham was visited by a purchase check to be presented of Mr. and Mrs. McGee and 3 children ranging from 4 to 7

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### OFFICIAL TABULATION OF

result of the Recount of July 2, 1938, primary

HOUSE:  Bob McNair 3453 first count 3515—loss of 62 Thomas Leath 3424 first count 3481—loss of 57		
Deane majority now		CONGRESS:
Deane majority now	C B Deane	5344 first count 5440—loss of 96
STATE   SENATE		
STATE SENATE:   3420   first count 3441—loss of 21   3365   first count 3457—loss of 92		
J. G. Jewell	Deane majority now	3680 instead of first count majority 3759
W. E. Harrison		STATE SENATE:
Jewell majority	J. G. Jewell	
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She McNair	Jewell majority	55 first count had Harrison majority 16
Thomas Leath		HOUSE:
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