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NOMINATED IN FIRST PRIMARY



Shown above are four of the Wake County Democratic candidates who were nominated in the first primary last Saturday. Philip R. Whitley, top left, was the only one of the thirteen candidates seeking a seat in the House of Representatives to be nominated. Sheriff Robert Pleasants, top right, was returned to office by a tremendous majority.

L. H. Umstead, bottom left, former school principal of Garner, upset incumbent T. Floyd Adams for the post of County Commissioner from the Southern District. James H. Pou Bailey, bottom right, was nominated as the Democratic candidate for the State Senate.

Ex-Candidate Davis Says Defeat Has Some Merits

Well, Davis has joined the growing ranks of "The Legion of Defeated Political Candidates," after failing to garner a sufficient number of votes last Saturday. To tell you the truth, I don't know whether it was because I did not get enough votes or the other folks got too many.

It is a whole lot easier to walk down the street now. I can say "howdy" and shake hands with people without them wondering whether I'm being friendly just to get their vote.

Had No Money

And other folks can stick their hands out, and I will know that they are wanting to shake mine rather than asking for money to haul voters. (I never had any to give out, anyhow.)

My ever-loving wife Judy has lost some of the dread she had about coming down to the shop in the morning. For the past week she has been pounding away writ-

ing letters and addressing cards for me until she dreamed all night that she was still at work. She would wake in the morning more tired than when she went to bed.

I expect the front door here at the shop will open and shut less frequently now that the number of candidates for the House of Representatives has been reduced to four. During the past three weeks it has seemed at times like the Record office was the rendezvous point for office seekers. Often there were three or four present at once.

There's no telling what answer I can give now when somebody tries to pin me down as to who I'll be voting for in the second primary. Until now I have been able to tell them I was a candidate myself and could not afford to commit myself. Now I have lost my excuse.

I'm thanking everyone of the 4,491 good people who cast their ballots for me (that's 4,490 besides myself). So I'm not like the Texas candidate for sheriff who came down the streets the day after the election wearing a pair of pistols and carrying a double-barreled shotgun. "John," said a friend, "how come you carry all the artillery. You got defeated yesterday by a vote of 12,876 to 27." "Yeah, I know it," replied John bitterly, "and I figure that anybody with no more freinds than I got had better be ready to protect himself."

—Barrie S. Davis

Bailey Girl Wins Duke University Essay Test

Beverly Jane Tapp, junior from Bailey High School, is among 27 winners in a recent State-wide good writing contest.

Sponsored by the North Carolina English Teachers' Association, the contest was open to students in grades 11 and 12. Dr. Francis E. Bowman of the Duke University English Department directed the contest.

Little River Township Casts Largest Vote outside Raleigh

Honors Awarded School Students In Chapel Monday

Special awards were given to members of the Wakelon student body at a special program held in the auditorium Monday morning at 10:00. Principal Fred Smith made a short talk and introduced the persons making the awards. Music was provided by Russ Olsen and the combined Wakelon-Wendell band.

Betsy Pope Simpson won the World Peace Award given by Rotary International. Miss Frances Thackston made the presentation.

Sue Long, a member of the graduating class, was given a special medal by Mrs. Eugene Privette, typing teacher, for excellence in typing.

Wilbur Boykin, for superior work in his study of American History, won a special Woodmen of the World Medal and \$5.00. The award was made by Barrie Davis, past Consul Commander of Little River Camp of the Woodmen of the World.

Safety Certificate

Ed Ellington presented five of the school bus drivers certificates for the safety records they have achieved this year. Included were Carlton Blackley, Wayne Bobbitt, Ronald Fowler, Roscoe Perry, and Wakelon's only girl driver, Rebecca Honeycutt.

Members of the 1949-50 Wakelon Council were recognized by Principal Smith, and those who had not served before were given medals for their leadership in student government.

Members of the student council this year are Ruth Brown, president; Herbert Privette, vice president; Jean Richardson, treasurer; Juanna Joy Mitchell, secretary;

Willie Brannon, 12th grade; Cleo Baker, representative at large; George Massey, 11th grade; Linda Bridgers, representative at large; Rena Moody, 10th grade; Artelia Bailey, 10th grade; Bobby Raper, 9th grade; and Billy Joe Bailey, 9th grade.

Bobby Duke Joins Legion Of Old Owl Fishermen

Folks from up around Hopkins Cross Roads can never be satisfied with ordinary fishing — they have to out do their neighbors. Over at Lake Myra last week Bobby Duke was fly-casting from a boat when a large owl swooped down on the water and snatched the fly, then went sailing back toward his perch in a nearby tree.

Bobby reeled in the slack and after a rough battle overcame the owl with the help of his oars, a big stick, and the butt end of his rod.

"I had to get that fly back," Bobby said later. "It's the only one I've been able to catch any fish with — but I sure didn't know it was good for owls, too!"

This is the second owl that fishermen from the Cross Roads have landed. Leland "Red" Horton had one on display last year which he hooked.

Smokey Says:



Trees will die — if your fire gets away!

Fred Royster Gives Commencement Address Last Night

Fred S. Royster, Henderson tobacco man and member of the North Carolina House of Representatives, delivered the commencement address last night ending the 1949-50 Wakelon School year. His talk was heard by a host of friends and relatives of the graduates who filled the auditorium.

The complete program began with the processional and the hymn, "America." Rev. Kermit Combs, pastor of the Wakefield Baptist Church, gave the invocation and Mrs. L. M. Massey sang, accompanied by Charles Horton.

Benton Present

County School Superintendent Randolph Benton introduced the speaker. Following the address, Wallace Temple, Wakelon School Board chairman, presented several awards, including the Billie S. Chamblee Award for Excellence in Agriculture, given annually by The Zebulon Record.

Principal Fred A. Smith presented diplomas to the following graduates:

Seniors Are Listed

Cleo Baker, Willie Brannon, Ruth Brown, Bill Bunn, Virginia Creech, Worth Croom, Lester Deans, Howard Doyle, Betty Jean Gay, Ruric Gill, Adolph Horton; Virginia Ihrie, Dorothy Jeans, Blonnie Jones, Gene Jones, Sue Long, Shelby Martin, Clyde Morris, Cooper Moss, Annie Pearce, Bessie Pearce, Betty Jo Pearce, Brooks Pearce,

Edna Earl Pearce, Velva Pearce, Erdene Perry, Jean Perry, Melba Perry, Roscoe Perry, Thelene Phillips, Sonny Rowe, Gwen Smith, Jack Terry, Joyce Tippet, Betty Lou Williams.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks for the beautiful cards, flowers, and nice trays, every act of kindness, during the illness and death of our dear husband and father.

Mrs. W. A. Adcock
Mrs. Morris Hood
Mrs. Bates Cash

Wallace Chamblee Leads in Contest For Commissioner

Zebulon and Little River Township trooped to the polls Saturday to join with all of North Carolina in making the total vote in the Democratic Primary the largest in history with about 600,000 ballots being cast. Although the vote in Little River's two precincts was not as large as two years ago, nearly 1,000 voters made their choice from a long list of candidates.

Little River deviated from the pattern set over the state by giving attorney Willis Smith a lead over Dr. Frank Graham in the important Senate race. Smith's home county of Wake placed Senator Graham ahead and the whole state gave Graham a 50,000 lead.

In other races, Zebulon and Mitchell's Mill voted for a majority of the leaders. Sheriff Robert Pleasants was given a 7 to 1 majority over his opponents. Pleasants received 773 votes, James Watkins 155, and Robert Nichols 16.

Coroner Irving Cheek was returned to office, with Zebulon and Mitchell's Mill helping considerably. Cheek received 569 votes, while his opponent, Fred Duke of Cary, received 316.

Steve Blackley won easily over Raymond Perry for constable of Little River Township.

James H. Pou Bailey won a big victory in his second try with Little River helping him along. Bailey polled 578, Charles Poe took 215, and Jesse J. Collier had 50.

In the House of Representatives contest, Philip R. Whitley, the only man to be nominated in the first primary, received a large majority with 632 votes in Zebulon and 95 at Mitchell's Mill.

Pou Is Second

Edwin S. Pou was second high in Little River Township with 317 votes. James Little took 287, and Brantley Womble 298, the only other candidate eligible to take part in the second primary, Mrs. Mary Richardson, won 143 of the Little River votes.

L. H. Umstead, the new Wake County Commissioner from the Southern District, won over incumbent T. Floyd Adams in Little River, 519 to 266.

County Commissioner M. Wallace Chamblee took a commanding lead in his home township with 409 votes. Barrie S. Davis was second with 278, Cary Robertson third with 133, and Billie S. Liles a close fourth with 129.

County wide, Chamblee failed to achieve a majority, and Cary Robertson, who placed second, can call for a second primary. Chamblee won 6,485 of the 18,526 ballots cast for Commissioner from the Eastern District, or about one-third of the total. Cary Robertson of Knightdale took 4,686 votes, and Barrie S. Davis was 195 behind with 4,491. Billie S. Liles polled 2,864.

Robertson, a Knightdale merchant stated yesterday that he is waiting for reports from over the county before deciding whether to call for a second primary.