



Voting Hodgepodge Here Mixes Winners

County Misses On President, JFK Wins

FROM KNOXVILLE'S radio station WNOX Saturday night will pour strains of Macon County music.

THEY WERE so thick in town Saturday you couldn't stir 'em with that proverbial stick!

IS THERE any truth to the rumor that another group of businessmen plans construction of a bowling alley?

BOB COX, the talent scout who put our Smoky Mountain Cloggers on the Ed Sullivan Show, is now associated with Mitchell's Cherokee and is in and out of Franklin in connection with promoting franchises at the attraction.

FROZEN WATER was spotted at various places on the east side of Main Monday morning—a good indicator that winter finally has arrived.

DEER HUNTERS attention! THE PRESS would like to have pictures of your bucks. After you get one, please drop by the office on Palmer Street and we'll take the picture and run it in the next issue.

FALL COLORS, which should have faded at least two weeks ago, continue to amaze visitors with their brightness in some elevations. Even this week end will have much to offer.

THERE WAS a trace of snow on Wajah Bald Sunday and reports of flurries in the lower elevations that night.

WHEN IT'S raining, one almost wishes the old McCoy porch was back on Main Street. Almost, that is.

A NEW COAT of paint has been applied to Franklin Laundry and Dry Cleaners. Several more buildings in town could use a face-lifting like this.

LITTLE DIANA Keener, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Keener, had the audience in stitches at the Democratic rally Saturday night. While a rock 'n' roller sang "Nixon Ain't Nothing But a Hound Dog," the toddler stood in a seat and put on a better show of dancing than he did.

TILLEY BAKER says J. H. Duncan Tire Company here has placed an order for \$24,000 worth of the latest in tire recapping equipment. He expects it any day now.

UNITED FUND is lagging badly in the Franklin area. Won't you please throw your support behind this worthy program?

WONDER WHERE the U. S. Air Force is going to build that radar installation? Hope it won't mar any of the scenery. That's about all this area has left to offer the visitor.

THAT ECONOMIC study recently authorized by the W.N.S. Regional Planning Commission for 14 western counties, Macon included, has been started by W. H. Hammer and Company Associates of Atlanta.

On the national ticket, Macon County voters went the wrong way in giving the edge to Nixon-Lodge because Democrat John F. Kennedy and his running mate, Lyndon B. Johnson, made a clean sweep and are heading for the White House next January.

Macon did, however, chalk one up in the gubernatorial race, giving Terry Sanford a slight edge over Robert Gavin, the Republican hopeful. On the basis of unofficial returns, Mr. Sanford beat his opponent by between 75,000 and 80,000 votes and the total could rise even higher.

It was a nip-and-tuck battle for the 12th Congressional District seat between incumbent Rep. Roy A. Taylor and his challenger, Republican Heinz Rollman. Up until midnight, the gap separating the two was small, but Rep. Taylor began pulling away when the large Buncombe and Henderson precincts coughed up returns. His unofficial majority over Mr. Rollman yesterday (Wednesday) was in the neighborhood of 5,500 votes.

Locally, the pressure came in the state representative race between Mrs. W. N. "Nellie" Cook and W. A. (Bill) Cox, with Mrs. Cook, the Republican candidate, winning by an unofficial 150 votes.

By precincts, Mrs. Cook's race stacked up this way: Franklin, 721; Iotla, 124; East Franklin, 183; Union, 271; Millshoal, 214; Ellijay, 273; Sugarfork, 182; Highlands, 412; Flats, 68; Smith-bridge, 230; Cartoogchaye, 130; Nantahala, 354; Burningtown, 163; and Cowee, 147.

Mr. Cox ran this way: Franklin, 719; Iotlas, 176; East Franklin, 307; Union, 274; Millshoals, 207; Ellijay, 235; Sugarfork, 41; Highlands, 309; Flats, 25; Smith-bridge, 355; Cartoogchaye, 193; Nantahala, 49; Burningtown, 91; and Cowee, 331.

United Fund Still Short Of Quota

Total amounts of pledges and contributions to Franklin's United Fund Drive conducted last week were not available at PRESS time this week, but scattered early reports hinted that the first week's work had not reached the goal of \$12,128.

Reports were scheduled to be presented at a meeting yesterday (Wednesday) of canvassers for the commercial district.

Most canvassers continued soliciting through this week in an effort to bring the campaign to a swift and successful close.

Soliciting in industrial and other areas of the campaign did not get under way until the latter part of the week and reports from these chairmen also were incomplete.



Mrs. Cook



Rep. Taylor



Mr. Sanford



Mr. Kennedy

UNTIL SURVEY MADE — Town Decides To Postpone Street Action

On the advice of the State Highway Commission, the Franklin Board of Aldermen has decided to delay any action on changing the status of one-way streets until the thoroughfare survey is completed by the Western North Carolina Regional Planning Commission and then to abide by its recommendations.

At its monthly meeting Monday night, the board discussed a letter from Division Engineer F. L. Hutchinson which suggested that the board wait until a traffic flow pattern is determined by the planning commission.

In his letter to the town, Mr. Hutchinson, explained the changes that would result if Main and Palmer streets were returned to two-way; all highways coming through Franklin, U.S. 23-441, U.S. 64, and N. C. 28 would be routed through Palmer Street, plus the truck route now running from Depot Street to the Georgia road; Main Street, from Palmer to Harrison Avenue would be removed from the state maintenance system and returned to the town for maintenance; only south side, parallel parking would be allowed on Palmer Street; and a stop approach would be required at the Junction of Main and Palmer which the engineers said would be hazardous in snow and ice.

In other business, the board approved bills for the month amounting to \$7,546.27, including \$2,520 paid for the paving of Hillcrest and Patton Avenues this month.

The board agreed to install a sewer line for residents on Depot Street running approximately 2,000 feet.

The street commission voted to make a check of street lights and make improvements, including the replacement of broken or damaged lights.

The board also heard a report from Town Clerk Ray Swofford that the town's new police car would be here around the 15th of this month.

Bow Hunters Bag 'Em Big; Guns Ready

Bow and arrow hunters chalked up some unusual kills in Standing Indian Wildlife Management Area, indicating there's plenty of game for all when the regular gun deer season opens for two weeks Monday, the 14th.

After two weeks, Standing Indian closed Saturday to bow and arrow hunters, who bagged 10 bucks and seven does, according to Wildlife Protector Ed Waldrop.

The bow and arrow kill was unusual this year and the number of hunters leaning to this sport has increased in recent years.

LUNCHEON DECEMBER 3 — Contest Judges Slate Visits To Communities

Two sets of judges will visit Macon County this month for the W.N.C. Rural Community Development Program.

Tomorrow (Friday) at 11:15 a. m., judges for the area youth program will visit prize-winning Carson community, one of 13 communities in the western area previously singled out for having an outstanding youth program. This is the first year the youth program judging has been held.

On Thursday, November 17, at 1:15 p. m., the regular area judges for the rural program will visit Macon County's top community in 1960, Cowee. They will spend an hour and 45 minutes at Cowee talking with its leaders and viewing some of the projects that made it a county winner and eligible to compete in the area event.

The county winners are competing for more than \$2,000 in prizes and the honor of being Western North Carolina's "most progressive rural area."

Judging the youth program are Mrs. Martha Weir, of Arden, Jack Justice, executive secretary of the Champion YMCA in Canton, and Robert G. Beard, of the ASHEVILLE CITIZEN-TIMES.

Contest judges are Miss Louise Lowe, assistant professor of home economics at Woman's College in Greensboro, C. S. Mintz, southeastern district agent for the N. C. Agricultural Extension Service, and Joe Howard, agricultural engineer for Duke Power Company, Greensboro.

Cash awards to the area winners will be presented at the annual awards luncheon at Asheville City Auditorium on December 3.

TEAM LOSES 12-6 — Andrews Writes Sad Ending To Season

By TODD REECE

The final chapter in the Panther book for 1960 was a sad one when Andrews triumphed for the sixth straight year over Franklin here Friday night, writing the unhappy ending, 12 to 6.

Andrews' winning score came with less than a minute left in the game when halfback Kent Nelson grabbed a pass which hit a teammate on the helmet, bounced, and was deflected into his hands by Panther defenders.

Andrews scored first in the second period and led until the fourth quarter when Franklin took the ball on their own 20 and marched 89 yards to tie the Wildcats 6 to 6. "Red" Seay plunged over from the two. Neither team managed to score on extra points.

The loss gave Franklin a record of six wins against three losses for the year, the best Panther showing since 1955's eleven finished seven-three.

With A Bang

Franklin started the season with a bang, bowling over five straight opponents, Clayton, Ga., Georgia Industrial, Cherokee, Sylva, and Robbinsville. Hopes for conference honors were lowered when Bryson City won the Panthers in their sixth outing, then shattered by Murphy the following week. Franklin rose again to top Hayesville, but couldn't keep up the steam necessary to finish with a win over Andrews.

Friday night the handwriting on the wall became visible in the first quarter when Andrews took the ball on their own five and held it for 19 straight plays in a drive to Franklin's 11, picking up six first downs. The Panthers' defenses stiffened to hold the Wildcats on the 11, but after picking up a first to the Franklin 23, a fumble gave the ball back to Andrews and five plays later Carl Myers crashed into the end zone from the two.

Passes Fail

Andrews had the best of it statistically with 13 first downs to

Nixon Carries County; Mrs. Cook Beats Cox

In a voting hodgepodge of a record turnout and split tickets, Macon County voters went Republican on the national ticket, switched to the Democrats in the state and congressional races, and went back to the Republicans in the local representative race, giving Mrs. W. M. "Nellie" Cook an edge over W. A. (Bill) Cox.

Unofficially, the crazyquilt election went this way on the local scene, with all 14 precincts reporting:

Nixon-Lodge, 3,735, Kennedy-Johnson, 3,398 — a lead for the Republicans of 637.

Sanford, 3,489, Gavin, 3,397 — a lead for the Democrats of 92.

Taylor, 3,547, Rollman, 3,283 — a lead for the Democrats of 264.

Mrs. Cook, 3,462, Cox, 3,312—a lead for the Republicans of 150.

Jordan, 2,575, Hayes, 1,799 — a lead for the Democrats of 776.

All other Democrats on the state ticket carried by good majorities.

While Macon County's total vote of roughly 6,886 was a record-breaker, it wasn't but some 450 votes higher than the 1956 general election, which saw the Eisenhower-Nixon and Stevenson-Kefauver tickets get a combined total of 6,433. In the '56 election, the Eisenhower-Nixon ticket ran high in Macon County leading the Democrats 383 votes and giving the Republicans their first victory in more than a quarter of a century and their second in history.

Dan W. Angel Takes Florida Ranger Job

Dan W. Angel, has accepted a position as seasonal park ranger in the Everglades National Park in Florida.

A senior at Western Carolina College, and he will report to park headquarters in Homestead, Fla., November 14.

He worked as a park ranger in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park during the past summer and plans to return to this position in June of 1961.

Contractor Gets Contracts For Two Projects

Two contracts have been landed by a local contractor, W. A. Hays. He was low bidder at \$12,000 for a culvert on a highway project in Allegheny County and has a \$48,000 curbing and guttering job in Greensboro.

Mrs. Vernon To Speak At N.C.A.R.C. Meet

Mrs. John Vernon, teacher at Highlands School, will be guest speaker Monday night at a meeting of the Macon County unit of the North Carolina Association for Retarded Children at 7:30 in the Franklin High library.

She will speak on her experiences in the classroom. The public is invited to attend.

The Weather

The week's temperatures and rainfall below are recorded in Franklin by Hanson Biles, U. S. weather observer; in Highlands by Tudor N. Hall and W. C. Newton, TVA observers; and at the Coweta Hydrologic Laboratory. Readings are for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a. m. of the day listed.

Table with weather data for Franklin, Coweta, and Highlands, including dates and high/low temperatures.

THINGS IN 'GOOD BALANCE' — Macon '61 Farm Income Could Reach \$3,300,000

A well-balanced farm economy, developed by agricultural agencies during the '50s, is expected to boost farm income to about \$3,300,000 this year in Macon County.

This will represent an increase of some \$290,000 over the 1959 figure, according to County Agent T. H. Fagg.

He says Macon's agricultural situation is in as good "a balance as possible in times of low prices and high costs."

Once a county that depended upon truck crops, through planned agricultural programs over the past 10-year period, Macon has changed to a strong livestock program of beef and dairy cattle, hogs, and poultry. It has continued to develop its work in forest products and this one item contributes a substantial part of the total farm income each year.

Successful farmers have combatted rising costs by introducing programs of producing on their farms all the feed needed to feed their animals and by better farm management practices.

"These factors have enabled the farmers to fight high prices and at the same time have raised their own standard of living," the county agent explains.

Here's how estimates for 1960 stack up:

TOBACCO: About 200 farmers will realize about \$65,000 from the county's 65-acre buyback allotment. The yield will be about 2,000 pounds to the acre.

CORN: Farmers will produce 6,000 acres for grain, growing about 50 bushels to the acre. Virtually all of the corn will be sold locally to be fed back to animals. Income, \$40,000.

SILAGE: Farmers will produce at least 15,000 tons of silage on 1,000 acres. All will be fed back to animals.

APPLE ORCHARDS: Orchards are increasing here. Between 175 to 200 acres in trees for an income of \$75,000.

HAY: From 12 to 15,000 tons will be produced on 8,500 acres. It will be fed back to animals. Income: \$20-25,000.

FOREST PRODUCTS: County derived \$650,000 in 1959 from the sale of forest products and the figure is expected to remain about the same in 1960.

HOGS: Income from the sale of hogs is expected to rise from \$80,000 in 1959 to between \$90,000 and \$100,000 this year.

BEEF CATTLE: Because prices are down this year, income is expected to drop to about \$250,000. The 1959 figure was \$280,000.

DAIRY CATTLE: Brought \$100,000 last year, probably will do about the same in 1960.

SHEEP: Income from sheep in '59 was \$20,000, probably will be about that this year.

BROILERS: Income from broilers in '59 came to \$192,000. Fewer being grown this year and figure probably will drop to about \$150,000.

HENS: Brought in \$90,000 in '59, may bring more this year.

MILK: Local dairies produced 10,000,000 pounds of milk in 1959 and production probably will rise to 10,500,000 in 1960 for an estimated income of \$550,000.

EGGS: Hatching eggs had a total income of \$600,000 last year and the figure could climb to \$700,000 this year.

WOOL: From \$2,900 last year to about \$3,300 this year.

HONEY: \$5,000 in 1959 and about the same in 1960.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM PLANNED — Pat Cable Handed Reins Of Rural Contest Council

Cullasaja community's Pat Cable has been handed the reins of the Macon County Rural Community Development Council for 1960-61.

Council members held a supper meeting Monday night at The Normandie to elect new officers and plan a tentative program for the upcoming contest among organized communities.

Also discussed at length was a proposal to use the new fair exhibit hall as a farmers market, a project that has been close to the heart of the Franklin Chamber of Commerce for several years.

In assuming the presidency of the rural council, which is composed of representatives of agricultural agencies, organized communities, and civic and service groups, Mr. Cable succeeds Tommy Raby, of Cowee community.

Elected to serve with the new president are Mrs. Albert Ramsey, Jr., of Iotla, vice-president; Mrs.

Ma.y Justice, of Holly Springs, secretary; and W. W. (Bill) Sloan, of Franklin, reelected treasurer.

A nominating committee headed by J. Fred Bryson, of Carson community, submitted the slate of officers and it was unanimously accepted by the council.

A tentative awards schedule, modified slightly, was adopted for 1960-61. It sets up \$950 in prizes for the winning communities. However, it is stipulated that if the full amount is not raised through United Fund or other sources the amount received will be pro-rated among the individual awards on the schedule.

The tentative schedule gives first place \$200, second place \$150, and third place 100. The number of incentive awards was reduced from 10 to nine, eliminating the best 4-H garden award. It was decided that this particular item overlapped a 4-H garden contest sponsored annually by the rural council.

To give special emphasis and stimulate more interest in individual communities, the council decided to give \$75 each for these two awards—best programs and community participation and best health programs. In the latter category, it was pointed out that communities, at least most of them, have health problems that need solving, from illegal dumping to improved sanitation facilities.

It also was voted to hold the contest judging within two weeks after the annual county fair and to hold the awards supper and program along the same lines as the past year.

Another meeting of the council is set for the middle of January to take action on several unfinished items, including the appointment of a special program committee to set up a program schedule and speaker's bureau for the use of the communities in creating more interest by having planned programs.

what's doing? JAYCEES: First Monday, Zickgraf's Lumber Co., Third Monday, Dillard House, Dillard, Ga. 7:00 p.m. ROTARY: Every Thursday, 6:30 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building. LIONS: Second and fourth Mondays, 7 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building. JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB: Fourth Monday, 7:30 p. m., Agricultural Building. V. F. W.: Second and fourth Wednesdays, 8 p. m., V. F. W. Post Home on Palmer Street. V.F.W. AUXILIARY: Second Monday night, 8 p. m., at post home. AMERICAN LEGION: Third Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Slagle Memorial Building. BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMENS CLUB: Fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m., at the Normandie.