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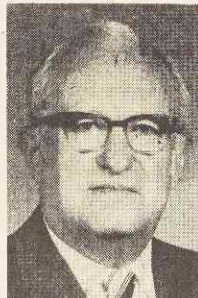
BURFORD RE-ELECTED; CLAPP MAYOR; DEMOCRATS CONTROL CITY COUNCIL



Rachel Gray



Samuel Burford



O. Arthur Kirkman



Frank Wood

Republican Paul Clapp of High Point will be this city's next mayor after defeating former Mayor Carson Stout by 1,003 in the Tuesday election.

Clapp, a 56-year-old city councilman who defeated current Mayor William Bencini in a Republican primary that involved a runoff election, was the top vote getter in the election, receiving 6,898 votes.

Elected to the High Point City Council were five Democrats giving that Party a majority on the eight-seat Council. One of them, political-newcomer Mrs. Rachel Gray, led the voting race with 6,620 votes for the Ward 1 seat.

The Ward 2 seat went to Republican James L. Pearce, a Republican incumbent, who got 6,270 votes. Democratic incumbent O. Arthur

Kirkman, a former mayor of High Point and former member of the N.C. General Assembly took the Ward 3 vote with 5,732 votes.

Samuel Burford, a Democratic incumbent and the first Black ever to serve on High Point City Council, won in Ward 4 with 6,197 votes. He is former principal of Andrews High School.

Two of the four "at large" positions on Council went to Democratic incumbents Roy Culler with 6,137 votes, and Frank Wood with 5,825 votes. Arnold Koonce, a Republican, and newcomer Bob Wells, also a Republican, took the other "at large" positions.

Losers in the race were Republicans Virgil P. Carrick, 5,476; Mary M. Clayton, 5,477; John G. Patseasouras, 5,248; Henry Shavitz, 5,486; and James R. Shelton, 5,267; and Democrats P. Hunter Dalton Jr., 5,710; Clarence Ilderton, 5,702; and incumbent Joe B. Patterson, 5,636.

Former Mayor Stout, who had served as mayor from 1961 to 1963 and from 1965 to 1967, received 5,795 votes. Stout, a furniture manufacturer, also had served as city councilman from 1967 to 1969.

Clapp, a manufacturing representative for two High Point companies, beat Stout in 13 of the 20 city precincts in an election which saw 13,597 of the city's 22,680 voters go to the polls.

Clapp in an interview following the election, made it clear that he regards his victory as a people's mandate for a change in city government and its administration.

The police department was the key issue between him and Carson Stout in the race for mayor, Clapp said. "I hope Council will take the results of the election as such a mandate to clear up the allegations involving the police department," he said. "It was the underlying issue of the campaign. There were others, the electrical distribution system, utilities bills, but this was the one."

Clapp said he will present the police department investigation issue almost immediately to the new Council, which is to take office on Dec. 3. He indicated he did not expect Council to become divided on the issue. "I'm very pleased with the Council to voters have chosen," Clapp said. "They are all persons of integrity."

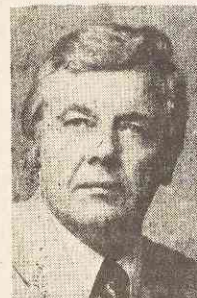
"I do not think we will become involved in partisan politics. We will work to do what is best for High Point."

"It is up to me to lead them in that direction," Clapp said, returning to the question of the police department situation.

Late last summer, at the height of the controversy over an alleged theft ring within the police department, Clapp called for the resignation of Chief of Police Laurie Pritchett. Today, Clapp said, "I am not head-hunting. I'm hunting for confidence and efficiency in all levels of our government. This is what the people are concerned about. Confidence in our governments seems to me to have dwindled to its lowest level. My goal is to restore confidence."

Asked if other changes he had in mind for city government concerned the status of City Manager Harold Cheek, Clapp said, "Many people have asked me if I were out to 'get' the city manager. I am not out to 'get' the manager."

"I feel Harold Cheek has had his hands handcuffed and his feet shackled by Council in the past few years," Clapp said. "He has not known just where he stood with Council or what Council wanted done, from one meeting of Council to the next. I have had this problem myself."



Roy Culler



Arnold Koonce Jr.



Bob Wells



Jim Pearce

Liquor Vote Margin Here Is Decisive

High Point voters decisively rejected the idea of liquor-by-the-drink while balloting in the city election Tuesday.

The vote, according to unofficial tally, was 4,967 for liquor-by-the-drink and 7,470 against it. The voting was similar to the pattern across the state which defeated the issue.



Paul Clapp

Vote Favors An Elective School Board

By RAY HUBBARD
Enterprise Staff Writer

By a whopping better than 2-to-1 margin, residents of the High Point School District voted Tuesday to elect future members of the High Point Board of Education.

The vote to change from the appointive to an elective system was 5,293 to 2,434. The totals are still unofficial, however, subject to the county elections board canvass.

The lopsided vote for change apparently will cool a controversy that has alternately simmered and boiled here for more than a decade.

The effects of the change will not be felt until November, 1975, when the first board members will be elected.

The elective issue carried everyone of the 21 precincts in the school district, even the predominantly black precincts where there were organized efforts to defeat the referendum.

Only in small precinct 11 in the heart of the city was the tally close. There, 45 voted in favor of change, and 40 voted to keep the appointive system.

Black community leaders have argued that the appointive system is the only selection method which will guarantee equal black representation on the school board. But apparently the rank and file did not listen to these arguments.

fight for the referendum to city hall and to the state capital and then worked to inform the citizenry about the pros and cons of both systems prior to the Tuesday election.

"Great," exclaimed Mrs. Stackhouse following the announcement of the results. "Now I just hope that having decided to directly select board members, High Pointers will show the same interest in support of the school board and the schools, and I think they will."

"I feel like I'm not going to have to leave town now," she laughed. "I have worked on this for two years, and now I want to just relax for awhile."

"I thought it would be close, and during the past few days I have been worried about it," said Mrs. Herndon. "What we started out to do was to stimulate interest in the schools and I think we have done this. This gives people a chance to decide who is going to run our schools and I know they will support them," she said.

"And I've learned you can fight city hall and win," Mrs. Herndon added.

City Council refused last spring to consider the referendum, arguing that there was no interest in High Point in changing the system.

Mrs. Herndon and Mrs. Stackhouse then took the issue directly to the General Assembly, where they were able to persuade legislators that High Pointers wanted an opportunity to vote on the issue.

The makeup of the board will remain unchanged under the new system.

The heavy vote for change bore out various polls taken during the past decade all of which indicated heavy sentiment for a change to an elective system.

How High Point Voted

PRECINCTS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	21	Total
MAYOR																					
STOUT (D)	447	165	272	651	498	236	110	297	383	245	130	295	161	92	177	417	443	222	423	151	5,795
*CLAPP (R)	302	210	324	501	440	100	95	458	523	345	64	342	172	155	299	685	669	442	421	251	6,798
DEMOCRAT COUNCILMAN																					
*BURFORD	408	150	313	642	648	346	113	352	389	242	174	327	135	82	160	460	506	204	418	118	6,197
*CULLER	365	188	300	588	562	255	112	332	424	257	135	335	168	102	198	447	489	266	452	162	6,137
DALTON	417	180	287	639	496	246	111	330	408	243	122	285	146	70	147	377	411	238	412	145	5,710
*GRAY	514	222	339	765	550	230	111	380	447	283	128	310	161	89	204	503	530	266	439	149	6,620
ILDERTON	428	176	295	650	456	215	104	329	402	223	112	286	156	99	162	424	441	218	402	124	5,702
*KIRKMAN	424	186	293	644	533	258	107	326	360	220	110	298	153	82	161	395	426	223	407	126	5,732
PATTERSON	340	182	273	496	528	250	113	277	394	248	116	323	151	89	175	391	482	223	419	166	5,636
*WOOD	438	196	295	670	528	227	109	315	396	238	118	306	146	89	167	388	446	221	391	141	5,825
REPUBLICAN COUNCILMAN																					
CARRICK	213	166	248	356	285	21	83	342	433	306	38	302	174	143	277	575	527	403	341	238	5,471
CLAYTON	278	174	229	399	303	22	76	364	430	294	32	262	155	124	252	592	584	358	328	221	5,477
*KOONCE	408	201	304	679	336	30	73	473	465	355	48	284	163	151	276	659	507	380	370	236	6,428
PATSEAV	261	161	226	467	258	23	71	374	404	292	32	246	140	135	240	546	536	335	302	199	5,248
*PEARCE	351	161	251	532	400	70	82	432	456	284	52	281	168	140	282	671	650	353	442	232	6,270
SHAVITZ	217	155	258	430	355	86	72	386	434	286	58	285	143	137	239	568	559	267	337	214	5,486
SHELTON	203	166	245	328	305	18	81	307	402	313	44	267	164	155	274	578	495	367	328	227	5,267
*WELLS	225	170	258	462	350	37	71	383	459	322	39	293	166	136	259	674	641	378	385	244	5,952
TOTAL	778	397	609	1,204	973	363	221	781	908	606	218	655	340	262	495	1,136	1,144	671	869	409	13,597

*Denotes Winner

High Point Housing Authority Plans Fund Application

By BOB BURCHETTE
Daily News High Point Bureau

HIGH POINT — Application for federal funds to finance construction of 136 apartment units for low-income persons will be made by the High Point Housing Authority by the end of next week, possibly sooner, H. K. Martin said Thursday.

The application, Martin said, will be filed under the Federal Housing Authority's "236 program," which allows 20 per cent of the persons occupying the apartments to receive rent supplements.

Martin, head of the redevelopment division of the housing authority, said the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development invited the housing authority here to make the application. "I just talked to them on the telephone," he added, "and I haven't received any information from them through the mail. I'll know more about it when I do."

He said he isn't sure whether

there has been a release of more housing funds by the Nixon administration or whether the funds would come from funds

already available to HUD. "The President said all along it (the money freeze) wouldn't be permanent but I don't know if the freeze is letting up."

FUNDS FOR the "236 program" and other housing programs have been frozen since early this year.

It has not been determined, Martin added, how much the 136 housing units will cost. "This will have to be negotiated according to what is built."

A determination has not been made where the units will be constructed but there is a possibility some will be built in the Spring Valley Apartment area off Commerce Street and others could be built on the city's southside, Martin said.



Clarence E. Lightner, a black man was elected mayor of Raleigh last week. He was the first black man elected by the voters of a major Southern city with a predominantly white population.

A funeral home director and insurance salesman, Lightner, 52, currently serves as mayor pro tem on the city council. He defeated his opponent, G. Wesley Williams by 17,348 to 15,476.

Raleigh, has a white-to-black ratio of approximately 70 percent from a total population of about 125,000. Maynard Jackson, a black man, was elected mayor of Atlanta, this Georgian city has black majority in population and a slight white majority in voter registration.

York Wins In Archdale

ARCHDALE — Incumbent Archdale mayor Henry J. York Sr. survived a last-ditch write-in campaign to defeat former councilwoman Doris Spencer by a vote of 577 to 500.

But Ward 2 incumbent Robert L. Cooper was defeated in a bid for second term by Bruce D. Lance, 674 to 450.

In Ward 1, another former councilman, T. C. Talbert gained 803 votes to 245 to defeat Arnie Halo.

Bill Kinley, the incumbent in Ward 3, survived a challenge by Dwight Lohr with a total vote of 785 to 329.

ARCHDALE Mayor

Henry York Sr.577
Mrs. Doris Spencer (write-in)500

Town Board (1 from each of 3 wards)

Ward 1:
Arnie Halo245
T. C. Talbert803
Ward 2:
Bruce D. Lance674
Robert L. Cooper450
Ward 3:
Dwight Lohr329
Bill Kinley785

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