



Cast Voters Ignoring Council-Bond Election

Puny Total Is Expected In Contest

The added incentive of bond issues aroused Charlotteans somewhat today and sent more of them to the polls this morning than in last week's primary—but not many.

With nine bond proposals to stir up interest, in addition to the extra city council and school board races, a considerable increase over last week's 7,422 votes may be expected. The polls close at 6:30.

Charlotteans cast more votes in the races, which include the mayor's unopposed election, than previously but continued to stay away in droves.

PERCENTAGE SMALL

There are 60,000 registered voters on the books and less than 3,000 turned out during the morning. Last week the number was around 2,900 at this point.

Voters were greeted with perfect weather again today and if the trend continued upward the vote could be doubled.

A spot check of Charlotte precincts show slight to good increases in the turnout, although none report rush business. A sizable noontime and closing time vote may be expected.

There was a unanimous turnout saw Mayor Phil Van Every, unopposed, poll 5305 votes. City Council members: Claude Alspa, James Smith, Everett Wilkinson, Steve Dellinger, Herbert A. Brown and Herbert Baxter polled enough votes to remain on the ballot, while Mrs. Martha Evans' 3146 votes gave her the runner-up spot in the primary race.

Eliminated were James McKibben and Abraham Hunsley.

Today seven councilmen will be selected from the 14 on the ballot for two year terms.

Four school board commissioners will be named from the list of eight candidates. Three of the leading vote-getters of last week, incumbents G. Douglas Alkin, Herbert Spang and Benjamin Herack, are running as a combination. Another candidate, Albert L. Beach, has just been named as most popular candidate after the primary.

However, in this race, which saw Clifton B. Wilburn and Edward A. Coburn eliminated, Mrs. J. D. Stratton was high in the balloting.

Thomas Wyebe for the school board and Charles V. Bell for city council are Negro candidates running today.

Here are how the other races stack up:

Davidson—Mayor F. L. Jackson and Councilmen T. R. Lethery, T. Sadler, C. A. Potts, E. T. McEvers and E. A. Beatty unopposed.

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SCENES LIKE THIS were repeated in all parts of Charlotte today as thousands of voters tramped over campaign literature that littered the walks, led steps leading to polling places. Where did it come from? See page 1-B.

\$640 Million State Spending Bill Introduced

RALEIGH—(AP)—After four months of study in committee, a revised 640-million dollar appropriations bill for the next two fiscal years finally landed on the House floor today. It was placed on the calendar for debate tomorrow.

The bill was reported to the House by Appropriations Committee Chairman J. K. Doughton of Allegheny. It was approved by the committee several days ago.

The measure, as prepared by the governor and the advisory budget commission, originally called for \$37 million dollars in state spending over the next two years. It was increased by action of the joint appropriations committee, which finished its work last week.

The major part of the budget increase is in highway fund expenditures, which were hiked by almost four million dollars. The highway fund measure does not require additional taxes for the fund to be balanced because estimates of highway revenues from existing taxes have been raised.

GENERAL FUND DOWN

The general fund budget was decreased by more than \$1,000,000, which reduces the amount of new tax money needed to balance the budget for the next two years.

Some of the largest savings in the general fund budget were achieved by cutting back on advisory instructional services and the child health program in the public schools, and by sharp reductions in state spending for travel, printing and binding, and merit salary increments for employees not under the state personnel act.

The Joint Appropriations Committee also made some important changes in the budget. A half million dollars was placed in the budget to be used for the support of industrial tuberculosis sanatoriums, and another half million was distributed among five state teachers colleges. More than \$400,000 was added to the budget of Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill.

MEASURE KILLED

The Senate, meanwhile, killed by a 21-17 vote a measure to allow a general act to retroactively apply after 15 years service and reaching the age of 65 on two-thirds pay for Sen. Clarence Stone of Rockingham opposed the bill while Sens. Lunsford Crew of Halifax and John Kerr of Warren urged its passage.

House Judiciary 2 Committee decided to take action Thursday on several measures, including bills to change state law regarding

Evening Prayer

O Father God, we cannot hide ourselves from Thy searching seeking love. There is no where that we can escape Thy demand on our lives for truth and eternal life.

Negroes' Admission Creates Problem Where Will Doctors Meet?

By JULIAN SCHEFF
Charlotte News Staff Writer
PINEHURST—The North Carolina Medical Society, as a result of last night's action against admitting Negro physicians as scientific fellows, faces a big problem this week.

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Religious Sect Joins Diem Against Rebels

SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP)—Premier Ngo Dinh Diem's nationalist army has been joined by hard-hitting troops of the Cao Dai religious sect in a final offensive against the Binh Xuyen rebels, the Defense Ministry announced tonight.

The black-clad Cao Dai forces, commanded by Gen. Trinh Minh The, once allied with the Binh Xuyen society and the Hoa Hao sect in a united front demanding Diem's resignation.

But now the switched sides three months ago. He withdrew from the alliance when the Binh Xuyen leader, Le Van Vien, rejected demands that the anti-government camp a gain avoid armed struggle.

Now Diem has thrown four battalions of his troops, perhaps 2,400 men, to Diem's support and is helping in the mop-up of Vien's battered force of 2,000 men on Saigon's outskirts.

Home Folks Heard

Auto Tax Plan Hits Opposition

RALEIGH—Several legislators say they ran into opposition from home folks over the weekend to a proposed additional motor vehicle tax as a substitute for a tobacco tax.

This was shown in a sampling of opinion last night. Rep. George Craig of Buncombe, in favor of a tobacco tax, said the reaction he had heard was against a motor vehicle tax. He added, "They think the automobile bears more than its share now. They think the tobacco tax is a fair tax."

A tobacco tax would bring the state about \$4 million dollars annually. The proposed motor vehicle tax would be equal to half the present license rate, with a maximum of \$10 per vehicle. It would yield about eight million per year.

Rep. Brantley Womble of Wake said most of the people he saw over the weekend were opposed to the additional tax on motor vehicles. He added he had received a dozen telegrams in opposition to the proposal.

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Rep. Almond Edwards of Greene said he didn't think the state needs a tobacco or motor vehicle tax. The continued rural economic outlook for the state may make neither tax necessary, Edwards said.

Edwards, a member of the Advisory Budget Commission and of the House Finance subcommittee, said "economic conditions looked rough" when the commission last year set its budget estimates last fall. At that time it was estimated the state would need \$2 million in new tax dollars. Since then the estimates have been pared to 28 million, he pointed out.

Edwards suggested the possibility of a 3 1/2 per cent sales tax, which would bring in six million dollars per year. If the tobacco and motor vehicle tax proposal were abandoned and more money was needed, he said he hoped to introduce a bill 1949 Nobel Prize for literature.

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WEDDING PICTURES are usually Society page pictures, but the flow of tears from Jean Wingate's eyes after her marriage here Saturday washed this one over into the front page. Following her marriage to R. E. Thompson Jr. at Memorial Methodist Church Miss Wingate burst into happy tears, as she left the church. But an affectionate and puzzled bridegroom when the tears were finally cleared away.

U. S. To Train British Atom Bomber Crews

NEW YORK (AP)—The New Times said today the United States has agreed to train selected British bomber crews to use American atomic weapons.

This agreement clearly envisages the delivery—in a war emergency—of United States atomic weapons to units of the Royal Air Force. The Times dispatch from London said:

FIRST STEP

The Times said according to "responsible sources" the new British-American arrangement "marks the first time since the passage of the McMahon Act of 1946—liberalized by Congress last August—that the United States has begun planning with an ally for the potential use of American atomic weapons that ally."

In amending the McMahon Act last year, Congress authorized the President to release to Allies limited atomic information—none of it top secret—for use in defense planning and training. The act also authorized the President to deliver atomic weapons to the U. S. Defense Department for "such use as he deems necessary in the interest of national defense."

The Times said a "qualified source" in London had given this information for the new U. S.-British cooperation:

"There are only two important entities or forces in the Western world—the USAF and the RAF. Until now the United States has declined to exchange nuclear information with Britain. That has changed. Britain now has her own atomic capability and an increasing delivery capability. The interchange of nuclear weapons will strengthen both countries as part of NATO defenses."

The report in the Times added that the training courses are expected to begin in July and to last 10 months. The first trainees will come from crews of Britain's new Vickers Valiant bombers, which are being organized into the island nation's first strategic bombardment force.

The British trainees, it is understood, will be given "extensive American information" on the size, weight and ballistic characteristics of nuclear weapons, and on means of handling and arming them.

TURNOUT DISAPPOINTING

MONTREAL, Que. (AP)—Only about 500 youngsters were brought to city clinics yesterday for the first day of free Salk vaccine inoculations. Officials had hoped to process 5,000 a day. They described the turnout as disappointing and speculated that polo cases in the United States following inoculation had frightened parents.

Our Weather

Fair and a little warmer today. Fair and cool again tonight. Tomorrow, fair and warmer.

High yesterday, 81.
High today, 83.
Low tonight, 50.
Low this morning, 49.
Sunrise, 5:30 a.m.; sunset, 7:10 p.m.

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Union Merger Efforts Snagged

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New Name Issue

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George Meany, AFL president, said the quarrel over a name could cause "trouble" but he added: "We've had trouble before and we've gotten over it."

Otherwise, Meany, CIO President Walter Reuther and other AFL and CIO leaders reached complete agreement yesterday on a constitution, or set of working rules, for the proposed merger organization.

The constitution, with the name of the new organization left blank, will be submitted to the AFL Executive Council and CIO Executive Board this week, with approval expected. Therefore, if the name quarrel is settled, only ratification by the AFL and CIO members would be needed to put the merger into effect.

It was announced the AFL and CIO would hold simultaneous conventions Dec. 12 in New York City.

Declaration A Myth? Crittenden Wants Proof

The darkest name word in the English language in Mecklenburg County today is "Crittenden," Dr. Christopher Crittenden, in fact.

Dr. Crittenden, director of Archives and History for North Carolina, who supposedly called for the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence a "myth."

Besides not saying it was a myth, Dr. Crittenden says he offers Mecklenburgers a real sporting proposition.

He is offering an original or authentic copy of the Declaration and he'll not only display the thing properly in the halls of Raleigh, but he'll try to tell the whole doggone world about it.

The thing came up last night when the Mecklenburg delegation to the General Assembly heard a resolution by the local Historical Society asking that Dr. Crittenden and his staff provide a suitable display, murals, etc., in Raleigh for the display of the Declaration and its history.

The resolution was approved by the delegation and will be offered as a bill in the General Assembly.

Dr. Crittenden says the idea is to play with him and if it becomes a law, he'll naturally comply.

However, he says he has been a little skeptical as an historian because nothing authentic has turned up. But, he hastens to point out, he can't recall saying the Declaration was "a myth."

Rep. James B. Vogler attributed that expression to the good doctor, but he'd like to go on record as denying it.

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