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Truman And Barkley Win Over Dewey And Warren

Closest Race in 32 Years Comes to Dramatic End As Democrats Take Over. Dewey Makes Unity Plea.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey conceded yesterday that President Truman had been elected to the closest presidential race in 32 years.

"I urge all Americans to unite behind you in support of every effort to keep our nation strong and free and to establish peace in the world." It was one of the greatest events in American political history. Mr. Truman had been given no chance in pre-election polls and forecasts. But he seized the lead with the first returns last night and never lost it.

He swept a Democratic congress into office with him. Republicans have lost control of both the house and the senate.

Dewey, who had been mulling over cabinet selections and traveling to move to Washington in January, gave up shortly after 11 a.m. yesterday. In a crowded suite at the Roosevelt hotel in New York James Hagerty, Dewey's press secretary, called in reporters and said:

"The governor has just sent the following telegram :"My heartiest congratulations on your election and every good wish for a successful administration. I urge all Americans to unite behind you in support of every effort to keep our nation strong and free an dt establish peace in the world."

Democrats already had claimed victory. Sen. J. Howard McGrath, Democratic national chairman, rushed into party headquarters at the Biltmore hotel in New York and said it was all over. He said Ohio's 25 electoral votes had gone the trick.

"We have possession of sufficient votes," McGrath said. He say that President Harry S. Truman and Sen. Alben Barkley had swept into a Democratic victory."

He predicted Mr. Truman's electoral vote will exceed 279.

Over in a corner of the room, as McGrath spoke, was a wall bulletin filled with crushed ice and 36 bottles of victory champagne.

A reporter rushed up and told McGrath that Dewey had conceded.

"That's fine," McGrath said.

There has been nothing like this in American politics since the night in 1916 when Charles Evans Hughes went to bed thinking he had been elected president of the United States. He woke up next day to learn that Woodrow Wilson had won California and the presidency.

For Dewey, it probably was the end of the political road. He made his first run for the presidency against Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1944 and lost. But that was in the middle of a world war when the voters were reluctant to vote a leadership out of office.

This time, the Republicans said, it was going to be different. Dewey's civil organization had been welded into the Republican nomination in Philadelphia. Men who had marched in the parade of the political parties and experts. Apparently it never occurred to either Dewey or the men around him that he could lose.

That is, it didn't occur to them until some time in the early gray dawn of Wednesday.

The governor had gone to bed at 3:30 a.m. after 12 hours of steady studing of the returns. At that time the issue was in doubt. Midwest states hills were beginning to run up and down Republican spines.

States with big electoral votes swerved back from the Democratic and Republican columns. But never did Dewey start cutting heavily into Mr. Truman's lead. And that was what he had to do to win.

The clock crawled on at the Dewey headquarters in the Roosevelt hotel. The news dribbled by the minute. Ayes were on Ohio, California, Illinois and a couple of other big states. First Mr. Truman led in California. Then a thrill of hope went through the Republicans when Dewey seized the lead in Illinois. Minutes later it disappeared when Mr. Truman again drove into the front in the California returns.

But Ohio was the pay-off. When the news got around that Mr. Truman led in Ohio by 16,000 votes with only about 200 polling precincts still missing, the Republicans gave up.

In a hotel room in Kansas City the bells on a teletype clanged. It was a flash that said: "Dewey conceded."

At the time Dewey conceded, he was trailing by 115 electoral votes Mr. Truman had won or was leading in 28 states with 304 electoral votes. Dewey had won or was leading in 16 states with 189 electoral votes.

The popular vote at that time stood:

Truman, 19,960, 759.
Dewey, 18,488,036.
Wallace, 1,828,518.
Thurmond, 704,246.

Blue Hose Rate Fourth In State Gridiron Slate

The unbeaten Clemson Tigers won their fifth consecutive victory last Saturday over Boston college at Boston 26-19, easily retaining first place in the state college football standings at the end of the season's seventh week.

Wofford, with a national record of five straight ties, moved to second place by downing Furman 12-0.

Erskine, 19-0 loser to The Citadel, and Presbyterian beaten 21-6 at Catawba, were next with 2-1 league records.

Three teams were tied for fourth, The Citadel, South Carolina's Gamecocks who lost to West Virginia 35-12, and Furman, 34-0 victims of the Florida Gators.

Wofford's win over Newberry put the Terriers right behind Clemson in the intestate race. South Carolina and Presbyterian were deadlocked for fourth place with one loss each. Erskine and Newberry have yet to win against state competition in two and three starts, respectively.

All eight South Carolina teams will see action next week.

Furman plays at Clemson, Erskine at Stetson, Newberry at Western Carolina Teachers, Presbyterian at Wofford, Maryland at South Carolina and George Washington at The Citadel.

Standings at the close of last week:

	All Games	
Clemson	5	0
Wofford	1	0
Erskine	3	0
Presbyterian	3	0
South Carolina	2	1
The Citadel	2	1
Furman	2	1
Newberry	1	1
	State Games Only	
Clemson	2	0
Wofford	1	0
South Carolina	1	1
Presbyterian	2	1
The Citadel	2	1
Furman	2	1
Erskine	0	2
Newberry	0	2

Increase Shown In County Mileage In State System

Columbia, Nov. 3.—(Special to The Chronicle) — There are a total of 18,829 miles in the state highway system as of October first, according to a report made by the department. The total mileage shows an increase of over 1,000 miles since the end of the 1948 fiscal year, when the state system mileage totaled 17,679.

In Laurens county, the total mileage of roads in the state system has increased from 445 miles at the beginning of the current fiscal year to 452 miles at the beginnig of October. The 482 total mileage consists of approximately 14 miles in the primary system of state highways and 30 miles, and 228 miles in the secondary system.

Roads in the primary system in the county, which consist of roads which connect county seats or other large towns, are as follows: 67 miles of high type paving, 118 miles of improved earth, and 5.66 miles of unimproved earth. The secondary system, which contains all state roads not under the primary system, is composed of the following in the county: 0.20 miles of high type paving, 227.80 miles of improved earth, seven miles of improved gravel, and 1.0 miles of unimproved earth.

At the beginning of the 1948-49 fiscal year, there were 194 miles in of the primary system in the county, and 251 miles in the secondary system, approximately 30 miles less than are now under the state secondary system.

Democratic Winners In Tuesday's Presidential Battle

HARRY S. TRUMAN
President

ALBEN BARKLEY
Vice-President

Giles Chosen As Kiwanis President

Clinton C. Giles, proprietor of Giles Chevrolet Company, Inc., was elected president of the Clinton Kiwanis club on Thursday evening to succeed Donald B. Smith. The new president has been an active member of the club for a number of years. The retiring president, Mr. Smith, automatically becomes vice-president and a member of the board of directors.

I. M. Smith, Tench P. Owens and R. E. Ferguson, Jr., were elected new members of the board of directors for two-year terms, succeeding James S. Gray, B. C. Presley and Robert M. Vance, whose terms had expired. Carry-over members of the board for another year are W. C. Shealy, James P. Sloan, J. Leland Young and Renne Young.

The new officers will assume office at the celebration of "ladies night" to be held in December. A committee to have charge of this outstanding social event was named by the president.

Clinton Hi, Honea Path Play Here Tonight

The Clinton Red Devils will meet the Honea Path Stingers on Johnson field tonight at 8 o'clock in the annual homecoming event.

A queen of Clio will be crowned at the half.

Clinton will be looking for their sixth victory in eight starts.

Earl McElhiney will spark the Red Devils offensively, and Bill McCrary is expected to stand out on defense.

A big program is planned for the homecoming event.

George Brockenbrough Visits Atom Bomb Home

George Brockenbrough, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brockenbrough of Kinards, recently visited the National Atomic Energy show at Oak Ridge, Tenn., home of the atom bomb. Members of a 96-cadet group from the McCallie School, Chattanooga, Tenn., made the trip under the auspices of the school's science department. Young Brockenbrough was accompanied by Malcolm Spann, Greenville, and Bill Erwin, Great Falls.

Bell St. Homecoming Game Here November 10

The big annual homecoming celebration for Bell Street school has been announced for Wednesday, November 10, with an interesting program arranged.

The highlight of the day will be the football game at Johnson field at 1:8 p.m., with Bell Street meeting the Ninth Avenue high school of Greenville, S. C. Admission will be 75c and 50c.

Bauknight Returned To Pastorate Here

The Rev. P. L. Bauknight, pastor of Broad Street Methodist church for the past three years, has returned to this pastorate Sunday at the closing session of the South Carolina Methodist conference in Columbia. The announcement of his reappointment was received with genuine satisfaction by his congregation and other friends in the city.

The Rev. M. B. Patrick was reappointed superintendent of the Greenwood district, in which the Clinton and Joanna churches are included.

The Rev. H. O. Chambers, a former pastor here, was returned to the Anderson district as superintendent.

Rev. J. H. Kohler, also a former pastor, was returned to St. John's church in that city.

Rev. L. E. Wiggins, a former pastor, was returned to the Woodruff pastorate, and Dr. J. C. Roper was returned to Clover as retired supply.

The Rev. H. F. Bauknight was returned to the Epworth Methodist church at Joanna for a fourth year.

Clinton 4-H Girls Hold Meeting

The Clinton 4-H club met Friday afternoon at the Clinton high school. The meeting was under the direction of Miss Adeline Vaughn, assistant county demonstration agent, and Mrs. J. W. Lawrence, local director.

A total of twenty-four members have enrolled, seven being added at this meeting.

The program was as follows:

Thought for the Month—Myrtice Rhodes.

Song: "Lead On Oh King Eternal"—Entire group.

Roll Call—Constance Burts.

Minutes Read—Constance Burts.

Business — Myrtice Rhodes, Miss Vaughn.

Review of 4-H Yearbooks—Miss Vaughn.

After the program, Miss Vaughn gave a talk on how each member should budget their allowance.

The next meeting will be held the last Friday in November at 3:00 o'clock at the high school. All girls between the ages of 10-21 are invited to attend.

Thurmond Leads In This County By Margin of 3-to-1

Incomplete returns yesterday showed that Governor Strom Thurmond gave Gov. J. Strom Turmond, States' Rights presidential candidate, a more than three-to-one majority over President Truman.

In the Clinton city precinct Thurmond received 334 votes, Truman 59, Dewey 18, Wallace 6.

At the Clinton Mills precinct Thurmond received 43 votes, Truman 28, Wallace 1. Shady Grove precinct Thurmond 4 votes, Truman 3. No other returns were available.

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Body Builders Shop Opened In the City

The Clinton Body Re-Builders, J. Elliott Lane, proprietor, announces in today's paper the opening of a repair shop on Hampton avenue in the A. B. Blakely building. Mr. Lane, long experienced in this business was formerly manager of Dan Tassey's, Inc., of Greenville.

Church of God Damaged By Fire

Fire of unknown origin badly damaged the Church of God building on Elizabeth street Tuesday morning.

The Rev. R. H. Gause is pastor of the church. He stated yesterday that until the building can be repaired services will be held in the auditorium of Academy Street school.

Gulf Oil Dealers Honored At Banquet, Pinson Gets Plaque

The Gulf Oil Corporation was host Monday night to John A. Addison, local distributor, and dealers here and at Joanna. The enjoyable affair was held at the Hotel Coffee Shop where a delightful turkey dinner was served by the Clinton Cafe.

F. C. Pinson of the Clinton Mercantile company, was presented a plaque representing more than 40 years of service, signed by S. A. Sweensud, of Pittsburgh, president of the company. Mr. Pinson has been a dealer for Gulf products since 1924.

A plaque was also presented H. Sulser, colored, for ten years service.

H. C. Davis of Greenville, district manager, presented the awards in behalf of Mr. Addison, and expressed his company's appreciation for the loyalty and fine service rendered by their dealers in this area.

Also present and having a part on the program were W. H. Childers and F. R. Lawrence, Gulf representatives.

During the evening Mr. Childers showed a sound picture entitled, "Full Profits Through Understanding," stressing the various qualifications that lead to success in selling gas, oil and accessories.

Gulf dealers present were: A. A. May, B. W. Crouch, Jr., D. K. Smalley, Mary McCrary, L. H. Davidson, F. C. Pinson, F. W. Simpson, A. C. Wackman, William P. Nabors, Louie Nabors, J. P. Nabors, Ralph G. Boozer, W. E. Boozer, Claude Boozer.

A radio given away during the evening was awarded to Mr. Nabors of Joanna.

Other guests were Mayor L. E. Bishop, Rev. P. L. Bauknight, pastor of Broad Street Methodist church, and W. W. Harris, publisher of The Chronicle.

Hopewell Farmers Awarded Prizes In Conservation Contest

A large number of farmers from Laurens county participated in the Conservation meeting in Spartanburg last Wednesday and Friday. Cash prizes were awarded for improved farm methods in conservation.

Richard Buford's farm in the Hopewell community was judged the belt terraced in the county and he received a table model radio.

Ryan P. Lawson was awarded the group adjudged best in permanent pasture and received a bag of dairy feed.

For the best soil conservation job with legumes on the farm, Mrs. Ellen A. Workman of the same community received ten tons of agricultural lime.

The Hopewell community was selected as number one in the county for soil conservation and Mrs. Workman received a number 12-A straight through combine.

Jurors Drawn For Two Weeks' Court

Jurors for two weeks of criminal court to convene in Laurens Monday, Nov. 8, were drawn last week. Names included are as follows from the county are:

Clinton City—Allen Power, Irby S. Hipp, E. H. Wilkes and T. A. Howard.

Clinton Mills—Otis Attaway, C. L. Blease, John Hunter, Jr., and J. Malone.

Clinton—P. F. Osborne, D. E. Abrams, and J. P. Schumpert.

Lydia Mills—H. E. Hand, Jaw Henson and Wade Nelson.

Second Week

Clinton City—Ed Williamson, J. J. Cornwell, Louie A. Smith, J. E. Hudgens and Ernest Young.

Clinton Mills—C. C. Price, J. W. Pope, J. T. Pitts and Ed. Wilson.

Lydia Mills—W. M. Berry and W. D. Wright.

Hopewell—Hugh Bonds Workman, J. Jarrin—J. H. Bryan.

Long Branch—Claude Madden.

Winthrop Alumnae To Hold Meet Here

The northern district meeting of the Winthrop alumnae association will be held in the city Nov. 13, at *Florida Street school. A Dutch* luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock at a cost of $1.50. Please notify Mrs. R. C. Adair not later than Tuesday, Nov. 9 that you expect to be present and wish a" reservation for the luncheon.

An interesting program is being arranged. All Winthrop alumnae are urged to be present.

Episcopal Services Be Held In Laurens

Rev. Hopkins Weston, pastor of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, Greenville, will conduct services on the first and third Sundays of each month at the Episcopal church in the Epiphany in Laurens beginning Sunday, November 7. These services will be held at 4:00 p.m.

A. R. P. GROUP To ERECT NEW CHURCH

Congregation To Make Drive for Funds for New Edifice on S. Broad St.

The Associate Reformed Presbyterian church is having a drive next week among its membership to raise funds with which to erect a new church building on their recently purchased lot on Broad street.

The committee soliciting the funds is composed of James P. Sloan, chairman, R. L. Plaxco, Lowry Wilson, Hubert Todd, B. B. Blakely, W. D. Adair and J. Sloan Todd.

A letter is being sent out this week regarding the campaign and next Sunday morning at the worship hour Mr. Sloan will address a talk in the interest of the drive. All members are urged to be present at that time.

The present building on North Broad street was built in 1901 when the congregation moved from its location about a mile and half eastward on the corporate limits of the city. With the encroachment of business houses near their place of worship it was thought best by the congregation to move out into a residential section.

The congregation was organized in 1882 and has had a continuous history since that time. The first pastor was the Rev. James L. Young who was installed in the fall of 1886. The Rev. Young served with a good number of the membership, moved to Blackstock, the present pastor is Rev. C. Bynum Betts, D.D., who has been in the 24th year of his pastorate.

34 Laurens County Girls Enrolled At Winthrop College

Thirty-four Laurens county girls are enrolled at Winthrop college for the first semester.

Official registration figures show that the college has an enrollment of 1,254 students, with every county in South Carolina represented by at least three girls.

The Laurens county students include:

Clinton: Frances Lucena Adair, Betty Beaman, Mary Elizabeth Bell, Rebecca Copeland, Myrtle DuBose, Wanda Jean Gilliam, Martha Hayes, Sara Johnson, Elizabeth Louise Jones, Mozella McCollum, Ann Martin, Fay Pitts, Barrie Jean Wingard, Joyce Ann Wright, Helen Lessie Wright.

Cross Hill: Helen Leaman.

Gray Court: Elizabeth Bolt, Jean Martin.

Joanna: Nancy Chapman, Elaine Frances.

Laurens—Edna Elizabeth Hunter.

Laurens: Doris Foster, Betty Beaman, Ann Bell, Mary Ann Finney, Roy, Nancy Royster, Nancy Taylor, Virginia Ann Wilson.

Owings: Mary Jane Curry.

Ware Shoals: Sara Jane Copeland, Bubbie Jean Murff, Annie Laurie Murff.

Whitmire: Louise Dean.

Eight P. C. Seniors Named for 'Who's Who'

Eight seniors of the Presbyterian college student body of 479 have been accepted for inclusion in the 1948-49 edition of Who's Who among students in American colleges and universities and colleges after being chosen by a faculty committee on the basis of character, scholarship.

Those named to "Who's Who" are Lucy Dawson Bailey, Jean Gaston Hughes, Benjamin Ivey, Jr., Herbert Lanier, Jr., Jane Lee Mann, Ann Lamb Dewey Riddle, and Edward M. Somerville.

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West Asheville, N. C.

MRS. IVA DARBY.

MRS. MARGARET SAMPLES.

MRS. W. I. LEDFORD.

MRS. ROY CANNON.

HORACE ROGERS.

MISS SARAH BOYCE,
West Clinton.

MISS LILLIA WILSON.

MRS. J. R. KOON.
Joanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Addison, with Mr. and Mrs. George Dunlap, of Rock Hill, are spending the week in New York attending a convention of Camp Sumter of the Confederate Veterans. Jane Addison are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. H. H. Harris, in Columbia.