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## DUNN SURVEY GIVES WILLKIE ELECTION WITH AT LEAST 334 ELECTORAL VOTES

### Gives States Which Willkie Will Carry, as Well as a List of Those Which He Concedes His Opponent

Election of Wendell L. Willkie with a minimum of 334 votes in the Electoral College was predicted today by the Dunn Survey, on the basis of methods tested with success in the 1936 presidential election, the 1938 Congressional contests and the recent election in Maine.

Rogers C. Dunn, director of the survey, declared that Mr. Willkie undoubtedly would carry all the states north of Virginia, Kentucky, Arkansas and Oklahoma and in addition would carry Colorado, Wyoming and Oregon.

Mr. Dunn is a statistical analyst who has been taking polls for six years and while he has not commercialized his results, they show an unusually high record of accuracy.

The method he is using for the 1940 election produced a correct forecast of the election by a close vote of Governor Herbert H. Lehman in his contest with District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey in New York State in 1938. Mr. Dunn predicted that Governor Lehman would be elected with 50.5 per cent of the vote. He actually received 50.7 per cent.

The Dunn Survey for August 1 of this year forecast correctly the result of the three Congressional elections held in Maine more than a month later. On the Senatorial election in Maine Mr. Dunn predicted that the Republican candidate would receive not less than 55 per cent of the vote and might receive 60 per cent. The Republican vote later was reported as 58.3 per cent.

Mr. Dunn's prediction that Mr. Willkie will win with ease is made on the basis of results he has tabulated in states in which he has completed his survey. In 15 states with a total of 138 electoral votes Mr. Dunn has not completed his survey. These states are in the South and West and Mr. Dunn concedes that several of them will be in the Roosevelt column on election day.

The states which Mr. Dunn believes Mr. Willkie is certain of carrying with their electoral votes—a total of 334—are Colorado 6, Connecticut 8, Delaware 3, Illinois 29, Indiana 14, Iowa 11, Kansas 9, Maine 5, Maryland 8, Massachusetts 17, Michigan 19, Minnesota 11, Missouri 15, Nebraska 7, New Hampshire 4, New Jersey 16, New York 47, North Dakota 4, Ohio 26, Oregon 5, Pennsylvania 36, Rhode Island 4, South Dakota 4, Vermont 3, Wisconsin 12, Wyoming 3, West Virginia 8.

States which Mr. Dunn concedes without question to Mr. Roosevelt are Arkansas 9, Alabama 11, Mississippi 9, Georgia 12, South Carolina 8, Louisiana 10.

When asked why his results were so unlike those of the Gallup Poll, which on Sunday showed President Roosevelt in the lead in 42 states, Mr. Dunn said that he had found means of overcoming handicaps encountered by Dr. George Gallup.

Mr. Dunn said that his margin of error was far lower than the 4 per cent admitted by Dr. Gallup and that his plan of survey made it possible for him to forecast the total vote while Dr. Gallup, with nine per cent of those reached in the Gallup poll saying they were undecided, was producing results which concerned only 91 per cent of the vote.

Because of the closeness of the result in many of the states polled by Dr. Gallup, said Mr. Dunn, Dr. Gallup found it impossible to say unequivocally that either candidate had a majority in many states.

Mr. Dunn took pains to make it clear that he did not dispute the honesty and care with which the Gallup poll was taken or the interesting results which it had obtained in the past.

He insisted, however, that a careful analysis of Dr. Gallup's own

figures did not indicate that either candidate could be said to have won the election. Mr. Dunn pointed out also that Dr. Gallup said that surveys supplementary to his most recent poll had shown that 27 per cent of the voters now supporting President Roosevelt still were not ready to say definitely that they would vote for the President for a third term.

Aside from his actual findings, Mr. Dunn is convinced that the present trend is toward Mr. Willkie and that if it continues, which he believes likely, the outcome of this year's election by states will be quite similar to the pattern of the Presidential election of 1920, when the people were voting against Woodrow Wilson and his League of Nations and the Republicans received 404 electoral votes.

Mr. Dunn says that he has found it necessary to correct the findings of his actual survey on the basis of WPA enrollment by states.

He says that he has discovered that when a WPA job is created that the Democratic total vote in a national election is increased by approximately four votes.

He said that he had difficulty with his survey until he took this factor into account. He now has prepared elaborate charts showing the rise and fall in Democratic votes in national elections correlated with the rise and fall in WPA enrollment.

Mr. Dunn declares that the WPA enrollment seems to have little effect on state elections and that this explains the great strength of Senator Wagner in comparison to Governor Lehman in 1938. By taking account of the WPA enrollment, Mr. Dunn says, he was able to forecast the vote for both candidates with accuracy.

Mr. Dunn says that Mr. Roosevelt will receive approximately 6,000,000 votes from WPA workers, their relatives and friends, these accounting for from 9 to 23 per cent of the total vote in various states.

"When considered as a marginal vote in close states such as New York or states with small voting populations," he says, "its importance in the election is obvious."

He says that the votes of the men and women on home relief are not cast as a unit to anything like the degree of the WPA vote. If they were, he says, there would not be the slightest doubt of President Roosevelt's reelection.

Mr. Dunn declares that application of his methods to the presidential election of 1936, including his correction for the WPA vote, gave correct results for 44 of the 48 states.

In a large number of individual Congressional contests in 1938, he says, his findings were more than 90 per cent correct while in the Congressional election of 1938 as a whole his record for accuracy in forecasting the Republican vote was as follows:

Actual	Forecast	Vote
New England States	43%	45%
Middle Atlantic States	52	51
East Central States	52	51
West Central States	50	51
Western States	57	55

Forecasts were made by the Dunn Survey of most of the Congressional by-elections since 1938. Most of them were made about two months before the actual election and all but one proved to be correct. As an example the following appeared in the Dunn Survey for December 1, 1939.

"The Republican candidate for Congress in the 5th District in Michigan will be elected if a special election to fill a vacancy is held within two months. Although the nominees are not known at present it appears that the Republican candidate will receive not less than 55 per cent of the vote and may receive about 60 per cent."

## District Music Contest To Be Held In O'Neill Next Spring

Prof. Ira George, music supervisor for the O'Neill High school and St. Mary's Academy, received word on Tuesday that the music contest will be definitely held in O'Neill this spring.

The old district has been divided and the line roughly will run from Plainview on the east to Ainsworth on the west, and from Neligh on the south to the Missouri river on the north. It is the plan of the management committee that no band or group of musicians will be obliged to travel more than sixty miles to compete in the district contests, which are held over the state in the spring. O'Neill was formally obliged to go either to Fullerton or Wayne and this new arrangement will materially decrease the travelling necessary, not only for O'Neill, but for the towns in the surrounding area.

A banquet will be held in O'Neill about the middle of December, at which time O. L. Webb, of Lincoln, who is head of the Nebraska High School Activities Association, and Allen Burkhardt, of Norfolk, chairman of the district management committee, as well as all of the music supervisors of all the towns in this district will be present, and final plans and arrangements will be made for the contest.

While the date for the contest is still uncertain it probably will be held some time during the first two weeks in April. At that time it is expected that between fifteen hundred and two thousand musicians from the various schools will be in O'Neill to compete for the various awards.

The districts were originally laid out according to the old congressional districts, and O'Neill is now headquarters for the second district in district No. three.

This is the first time that such a contest has ever been held in any town in this part of the state, and we believe that O'Neill is ideally situated and equipped to handle the crowd that will be present. We also believe that we can assure Mr. George that the business and professional men of the town will assist and cooperate with him in and in all ways possible to make this contest a success.

## Pioneer Celebrates Her Seventieth Birthday

Twenty-two ladies gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Gallagher last Monday afternoon, between two and five, to honor John's mother, Mrs. Fannie Gallagher on her 70th birthday. Mrs. Gallagher received many lovely gifts and the afternoon was spent in reminiscing and talking about old times. Refreshments were served during the afternoon.

Mrs. Gallagher also received seventy greeting cards wishing her well on the anniversary of her birth. The cards came from 22 different states.

The actual result, when the election was held two and a half months later, was that the Republican candidate received 58 per cent of the vote.

Also interesting in connection with Mr. Dunn's contention of accuracy for his poll is the Dunn Survey for May 1 of this year when it reported:

"This survey believes that Mr. Willkie would be the strongest candidate the Republican Party could nominate."

At that time the Gallup Poll showed that only one per cent of the Republican voters preferred Mr. Willkie. In July the Gallup Poll showed that at the time of the Republican convention, late in June, Mr. Willkie was the strongest candidate of the many before the Republican voters, being preferred by 44 per cent of such voters.

Mr. Dunn says, incidentally, that he takes delight in forecasting what forecasts will be made by other polls and that he has had high success in this endeavor.

## Are You Preventionist or Interventionist?



## WILLKIE CLUB WAS ORGANIZED HERE MONDAY NIGHT

Dr. W. J. Douglas, of Atkinson, addressed a crowd of about fifty people at the K. C. Hall last Monday evening, advocating the election of Wendell Willkie for president of the United States. The Doctor, while he does not claim to be an orator or a public speaker, delivered a splendid address and one that made a decided hit with his audience. He referred to the past seven and a half years of rule by the New Deal and their cohorts, with the expenditure of billions of the people's money and that the country had more unemployment now than when the New Deal took over the reins of government in 1932 and he urged that for the future welfare of the country, the occupant of the White House be changed at the coming election, and he said that he was convinced that the people were going to do it.

At the conclusion of the meeting a Willkie Club was organized with the selection of W. C. Hancock as president; Ralph Leidy, secretary; Fred Holselaw, treasurer. These officers are also a committee to see that others are invited to join the Club and they are of the opinion that there will be several hundred members of the Club before election day rolls around.

## Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses were issued by the County Judge during the past week:

Fred H. Kupjweit and Hazel M. Freiman, both of Ainsworth on October 10.

John G. Peter of O'Neill and Marie E. Sladek of Chambers on October 11.

Edward Ries and Eileen Traner, both of Atkinson, on October 11.

Leland M. Hansen and Alma D. Lackenmeier, both of Hastings, on October 14.

Ernest Juracek of Brooksburg and Edna Spahn of Naper, on October 14.

Frank Mapes and Mrs. Lola M. Contois, both of Clearwater, on October 15.

Roy Ries and Lois Schrunk, both of Atkinson, on October 15.

Harry Mlinar and Catherine Hamik, both of Stuart, on October 16.

Nick Bonenberger and Margaret Coday, both of Atkinson, on October 16.

Medard J. Connelly of O'Neill and Anna Wenge of Creighton, on October 16.

Mrs. A. M. Turner and children returned to their home in Winner, S. D., on Saturday after visiting here for a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Teresa Connelly.

## Martin Langan

Martin Langan died at his home, a mile and a half north of the Niobrara river bridge last Tuesday morning at 8:22 after an illness of several months, of ailments incident to advancing years, at the age of 76 years, 5 months and 24 days. The funeral will be held Friday morning, October 18, from St. Mary's Catholic church in Spencer and interment in St. Mary's cemetery, Rev. Father Condon officiating.

Martin Langan was born at Schullsburg, Wisconsin, on April 21, 1864, where he grew to manhood. Right after reaching manhood's estate he came west and to this county about the year 1885. He lived in the northern part of this county for several years and when Boyd county was opened for settlement he took a claim in that county, a couple of miles north of the present location of the Niobrara river bridge. He improved his place, meanwhile working for a couple of Holt county ranchers to enable him to improve his place. On July 21, 1890, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary Kelly, member of a pioneer family that lived northwest of this city, the ceremony being performed in O'Neill. To this union nine children were born, four sons and three daughters, seven of whom with their mother are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate husband and father. The children are: David, Spencer; William, Mrs. D. L. Moler, O'Neill; Patrick and John, Spencer; Mrs. C. R. Stengle, Freeman, S. D.; Mrs. Art Rempter, O'Neill. He is also survived by a number of grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Thomas Dennis, of Omaha, who is the only surviving member of his family.

The many Holt county friends of the family join the Frontier in extending to the bereaved relatives their sympathy in their hour of sorrow, for another old pioneer has passed beyond.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness shown during the illness and death of our beloved son and grandson.—Irma Sengleman, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sengleman and family.

## Thank You All

The Sisters of St. Francis wish to thank sincerely all who contributed to the Food Shower. They are praying for their benefactors and are asking God to bless all, especially those who were so kind to them.

Mrs. Leo Dowd and daughter of Schuyler, Nebraska, arrived here on Sunday evening to visit her sister, Miss Edna Marie O'Malley, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O'Malley.

## HOLT COUNTY YOUTH ELIGIBLE FOR MILITARY SERVICE REGISTERED

### Young Men In This County To The Number of 1789 Register. Over 200 Below Estimated Number

Young men of draft age in this county, as well as in every other county in the United States, registered Wednesday in the various polling precincts of the several states for military service. The total registered in this county was 1789, which is a couple of hundred less than had been estimated. O'Neill, of course, had the largest list of registrants, 351 being registered in the three wards of this city.

The draft board had a meeting the first of the week and organized by electing Frank J. Biglin, of this city as chairman and D. R. Mounds, of Atkinson, secretary. The other member of the board is B. C. Engler, of Stuart. Judge J. J. Harrington is the attorney for the board, while Dr. O. W. French was appointed as the physician and we understand he declined the post and Wednesday papers carried the name of Dr. J. P. Brown for this position, but we understand that he does not want to accept.

Mrs. Mable McKenna has been selected as the secretary of the board and they will have their office in the rooms of the county attorney, on the second floor of the Court house. The board will meet tomorrow and start listing the various registrants, so that completed returns can be forwarded to state headquarters as soon as possible.

Following is the list of registrants in each voting precinct in the county:

Antelope	16
Total	1789

Atkinson	65
First Ward	40
Second Ward	30
Third Ward	54
Chambers	84
Cleveland	24
Coleman	10
Deloit	43
Dustin	14
Emmet	30
Ewing	91
Francis	15
Grattan	76
Green Valley	19
Golden	35
Holt Creek	8
Inman	60
Iowa	18
Josie	11
Lake	29
McClure	13
Paddock	36
Pleasant View	15
Rock Falls	28
Sand Creek	34
Saratoga	22
Scott	32
Shamrock	13
Fairview	17
Sheridan	39
Shields	48
Steel Creek	29
Stuart	171
Swan	22
Verdigris	73
Willow Dale	27
Wyoming	33
O'Neill First Ward	127
Second Ward	99
Third Ward	125
Total	1789

## Holt County 4-H Members Win Awards at Omaha

4-H members from local clubs gave a splendid account of themselves when they exhibited 12 baby beef calves at the Ak-Sar-Ben show last week. The show which is recognized as the world's largest 4-H baby beef show attracted 4-H exhibitors from all parts of the middle west and offered strongest of competition.

The outstanding Hereford steer exhibited from this county was owned by Phillis Wood of Ewing and attracted considerable attention before the show. A bit of bad luck, which caused the calf to go off feed on the day of the show, forced the Ewing girl to exhibit her calf at a disadvantage. In spite of this fact, the calf was placed ninth in its class and received a white ribbon award. An Angus steer which received a white ribbon award was owned and exhibited by Billy Sitz of Atkinson. This steer placed second to one other steer in Nebraska competition. Other calves which were of good enough quality to merit passing the sifting committee for the Ak-Sar-Ben show were exhibited by Bud Spath of Amelia, Evan Garwood, Anton Dobrovoly, Jr., of Atkinson. Dean and Ernest Gottschall and Helen Garwood, all of Atkinson also sold calves at Ak-Sar-Ben.

Calves which were shown at the Ak-Sar-Ben show were sold at extremely good prices and the boys and girls feel that the experience gained will enable them to do better work in their 4-H club work next year and should encourage more 4-H members in the county to plan to attend in the future.

## Dwight Griswold, The Next Governor of State Here Today

Dwight Griswold, Gordon publisher and Republican candidate for Governor, addressed a group of voters here today. He spoke concerning some of the issues of the day, as part of an active campaign he is now conducting. He is a pleasing speaker and made a very favorable impression. He will be the next Governor of Nebraska.

## Charles R. Sengleman

Charles Sengleman died at the home of his grandparents, northwest of this city, last Sunday afternoon at 2:30 after an illness of about five days of an acute attack of poliomyelitis at the age of 22 years, five months and twenty-two days. The funeral was held at 2 o'clock last Monday afternoon, and on account of the nature of the disease, was private, interment in Prospect Hill cemetery, Rev. Wm. Vahle, of Atkinson officiating.

Deceased is survived by his mother, Irma Sengleman and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sengleman, with whom he spent most of his life. He had always enjoyed good health until he was attacked by the fatal malady. He was a fine young man and had a host of friends in the northern part of the county where he was well known and universally well liked.

## Donohoe-O'Connell

A very pretty wedding was solemnized Saturday, October 12, at 9 o'clock at the Church of the Epiphany in Emmet, when Miss Helen O'Connell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim O'Connell of Atkinson, became the bride of Harold J. Donohoe, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Donohoe of O'Neill, Father John J. O'Brien officiating.

The bride wore a soldier blue dress and hat and a golden corsage on her shoulder. She carried her rosary. She was attended by her sister, Miss Clara O'Donnell, who wore an autumn brown dress and hat and a matching corsage on the shoulder.

The groom wore a dark brown suit and was attended by his brother, Walter, who wore a medium green suit.

The bride has taught several successful terms of school in this community and for the past two years taught the high school room in Emmet.

Mr. Donohoe is engaged in the farming business.

Immediately after the ceremony a three-course dinner was served to close relatives and Father John J. O'Brien at the Golden Hotel in O'Neill.