

Suburban Wallace Backers Ignored Other Offices

One of the chief topics of conversation among the political analysts during the long winter evenings could well be a discussion of how much damage, if any, George Wallace, the third party candidate, did to either President-elect Richard Nixon or Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey.

Nationally, Wallace captured 13 per cent of the popular vote, according to the latest figures, but didn't dominate what always had been referred to as "The Solid South" and, therefore, must have hurt Humphrey.

But there was virtually a standstill in the Westland area, where many of the Wallace supporters seemingly voted for their man and no one else.

THE RESULTS in Redford Township furnish a good example.

Wallace averaged 60 votes per precinct, but neither major party presidential candidate fared that far behind the rank and file of fellow party members, nor even far enough behind to indicate a dual infection.

Wallace's 3,201 votes in Redford simply disappeared in the tallies for other offices.

Analysis of the limited number of offices, precinct by precinct, shows that as many votes were tallied by the presidential candidates as for those of less

ser offices under the same party label.

IN THE COMBINED votes in Farmington City and Township, Nixon ran at least 500 votes behind his ticket while Humphrey ran 800 ahead of the Democratic slate.

Wallace received 1,700 votes and might have hurt Nixon to some extent. More than likely, however, it appears that the Wallace voters pulled only one lever and didn't vote the remainder of the offices.

In Livonia, Nixon was hurt the most by the Wallace entry, the absentee ballots disclosed, according to the sources in City Hall.

The big majority of those voting for Wallace went on to vote the straight Republican ticket.

Overall, Livonia gave Humphrey a 64-vote edge over Nixon to continue a Democratic trend begun three presidential elections ago. The city went for John F. Kennedy in 1960 and for Lyndon B. Johnson in 1964.

The final, unofficial tabulation, including the absentee votes, was Humphrey 18,121, Nixon 17,457 and Wallace 4,025.

The only Republican winning Livonia's vote was Congressman Jack McDonald who polled 19,997 votes to the 15,910 allotted to his rival, Gary Frink.

NEITHER HUMPHREY nor Nixon was able to lead his own ticket in the Plymouth area, which included the city and the township.

Of the two, Humphrey finished further down the list of Democrats than Nixon did among the Republicans.

The president-elect ran third behind Supervisor-elect Carl Pursell and Congressman Marvin Esch. Their respective vote totals were: Pursell, 5,902; Esch, 5,662 and Nixon, 5,517.

Wayne County Sheriff Roman Gribbs was the top Democratic vote-getter in the Plymouth area with 5,019. State Rep. James Tierney was runner-up with 4,778, while the defeated congressional candidate, Weston Vivian, followed with 3,822.

Humphrey polled only 3,712 votes.

MATTERS WERE slightly reversed in Garden City where Wallace captured 16 per cent of the vote.

Humphrey easily topped the Garden City vote with 58 per cent, which was predictable in this Democratic stronghold.

Analysis of the voting pattern, however, shows that the Wallace campaign took votes away from Humphrey, who ran some 400 votes behind the Democratic pattern shown in the races for the State Board of Education and University Governing Board votes.

On the other hand, Nixon ran on an even level with the GOP candidates for the education posts, but picked up an average of 400 votes on candidates for the county GOP candidates.

AN ANALYSIS of the precinct returns in Westland showed that

Humphrey was hurt more than Nixon by the Wallace campaign in Westland, but not by much.

The Democratic presidential candidates was several dozen votes behind other Democratic candidates in individual precincts while Nixon received about the same number of votes as other Republican candidates.

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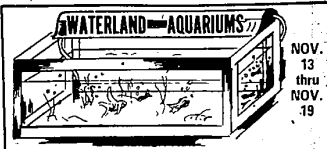
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In the senior and junior highs, capsule class sessions were held with parents attending 10-minute sessions following the schedules of their children.

Junior high open house was Nov. 11 and senior high Nov. 12. At Edgewood Elementary School on Nov. 13, there will be two levels of meetings, the first beginning at 8 p.m. Parents are being invited to visit kindergarten and non-graded classrooms from 8 to 8:30 p.m.

A session for the fourth through sixth grades will begin at 8:40 p.m. At both meetings teachers will speak about themselves, outline the curriculum, explain the daily schedules and invite questions.

BOTSFORD PARENTS are being invited to visit the school on Nov. 21 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. There is no fixed schedule, but parents are welcome to meet with teachers and visit classrooms.

Parents may visit Westbrook school anytime during the week. A special invitation is being issued, however, for Nov. 13 when visitors will be able to follow a planned schedule of classes during the regular school day.

The evening open house will be on Thursday, Nov. 14, from 7:30 to 9, when all classrooms and special areas will be open. Students' work will be on display as well as textbooks and instructional materials used at all grade levels.

Audio-visual equipment will be in use throughout the building. The Westbrook PTA will have a hospitality center in the multi-purpose room where memberships will be taken and refreshments served.

At Grandview, a short PTA business meeting will precede open house sessions on Nov. 13. The 8 p.m. meeting will be followed by two 20-minute sessions at which parents may visit classrooms and be told of the year's programs.

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