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1942.

Beauford, Sept. 15, 1942.

I have this day delivered to the Wardens of Precinct one and two, all the ballots and cards of instructions, sent out by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, for the State Primaries held this day.

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

1942.

Precinct 1.

State Primary.

Agreeably to the foregoing warrant the voters met at the Town Hall for Precinct I on Tuesday, the 15th day of September 1942. at 7.00 A.M. and cast their ballots for the following named officers.

The polls opened at 7.00 o'clock A.M. by Joseph B. Matthews, the ballot-box was opened and shown to be empty, then closed, locked, and the key placed in the hands of Constable Richardson.

The polls closed at 2.00 P.M.

The ballot box then registered 33

The check list showed number of votes cast. 33

The number of ballots in ballot box 33

The ballots were then counted, publicly declared, and recorded as follows:

For Governor

R. Everett Saltonstall, 240 Chestnut Hill Rd., Newton, 29.

Blanks 3

D. Francis E. Kelley, 1184 Morton St., Boston 1

" Roger L. Putnam, 216 Central St. Springfield —

For Lieutenant Governor

R. Horace T. Cahill, 60 Ansbury Dr., Braintree 30.

D. John C. Carr, 30 Burnside St., Medford 1

Blanks 2

For Secretary

R. Frederic W. Cook, 75 Benton Rd., Somerville 32

D. Joseph J. Buckley, 76 South Huntington Ave. Boston —

" Leo A. Gurlin, Governor Ave., Bellingham 1

" John D. O'Brien, 31 Pearl St., Boston —

Blanks —

1942.

For Treasurer

R. Laurence Curtis, 15 River St., Boston 16

" Edgar A. French, Off Main St., Marshfield 5

" Sybil H. Holmes, 68 Taylor Crossway, Brookline 5

" Richard E. Johnson, 183 Huntington Ave. Boston —

" Wallace E. Stearns, 110 Gainsboro St., Boston 1

D. Thomas E. Barry, 49 Baginwater St., Boston —

" Francis K. Hurley, 11 Prince St., Boston 1

" William F. Hurley, 56 Mt. Pleasant Av. Boston —

" John F. Welch, 63 Homer St., Boston —

Blanks 5

For Auditor

R. Russell A. Wood, 11 Whittier St., Cambridge 30

D. Thomas J. Buckley, 15 Pinckney St., Boston 1

" Leo D. Walsh, 43 Sarin Hill Av., Boston —

Blanks 2

For Attorney General

R. Robert T. Bushnell, 193 Fuller St., Newton 29

D. James E. Agnew, 92 Wallingford Rd., Boston —

Blanks 4

For Senator in Congress

R. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., 275 Hale St., Beverly 26

" Courtenay Crocker, 314 Marlboro St., Boston 2

D. Joseph E. Casey, 295 Church St., Clinton —

" Daniel H. Coakley, 60 School St., Boston —

" John F. Fitzgerald, 21 Beacon St., Boston —

" Joseph Lee, 43 South Russell St., Boston 1

Blanks 4

For Congressman, Sixth District

R. George J. Bates, 11 Briffam St., Salem 30

D. James D. Burns, 1 Island Av., Salem 1

" Leander H. Caswell, 24 Seventh Av., Haverhill —

" Arthur H. Teague, 12 Lynde St., Salem —

Blanks 2

1942.

For Councillor Fifth District.

R.	Samuel R. Bailey, 400 Main St., Amesbury	14
"	Washington Cook, 15 Summer St., Haverhill	9
"	William H. McSweeney, 160 Loring Av., Salem	7
D.	James A. Donovan, 12 Ridge Rd., Lawrence	1
	Blanks	2

For Senator 4th Essex District

R.	Benjamin B. Priest, 27 Park St., Haverhill	29
D.	Blanks	4

For Representative in General Court,
Eighth Essex District.

R.	Oscar H. Perkins, 26 Chace St., Danvers	29
D.	Blanks	4

For District Attorney,
Eastern District.

R.	Hugh A. Clegg, 340 Hampshire Rd., Methuen	26
D.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	—
"	John T. Coan, 33 Andrew Rd., Swampscott	—
"	Joseph B. Harrington, Winter Island Rd., Salem	—
	Blanks	7

For Register of Probate and Insolvency Essex Co.

R.	William F. Shamshak, 22 Naron Rd., Swampscott	29
D.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	1
	Blanks	3

For County Commissioner Essex County

R.	C. F. Nelson Pratt, 4 Johnston Ter., Saugus	7
"	James D. Bentley, 15 Beach Av., Swampscott	25
D.	Michael F. Conway, 4 Lincoln Pl., Peabody	—
	Blanks	1

1942.

For County Treasurer, Essex County

R.	Harold E. Thurston, 83 Hawthorn St., Lynn	31
D.	William G. Hennessey, 653 Western Av., Lynn	1
	Blanks	1

A true record
AttestGeorge B. Parkhurst,
Deputy Clerk.A true copy
AttestJohn W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

1942.

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"	Washington Cook, 15 Summer St., Haverhill	9
"	William H. McSweeney, 160 Loring Av., Salem	7
D.	James A. Donovan, 12 Ridge Rd., Lawrence	1
	Blanks	2

For Senator 4th Essex District

R.	Benjamin B. Priest, 27 Park St., Haverhill	29
D.	Blanks	4

For Representative in General Court, Eighth Essex District.

R.	Oscar H. Perkins, 26 Chase St., Danvers	29
D.	Blanks	4

For District Attorney, Eastern District.

R.	Hugh A. Clegg, 340 Hampshire Rd., Methuen	26
D.	" " " " " " " " " "	-
"	John T. Coan, 33 Andrew Rd., Swampscott	-
"	Joseph B. Harrington, Winter Island Rd., Salem	-
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D.	Michael F. Conway, 4 Lincoln Pl., Peabody	-
	Blanks	1

1942.

For County Treasurer, Essex County

R.	Harold E. Thurston, 83 Hawthorn St., Lynn	31
D.	William S. Hennessey, 653 Western Av., Lynn	1
	Blanks	1

A true record

Attest

George B. Parkhurst,
Deputy Clerk.

A true copy

Attest

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

1942.

Precinct 2. Record of State Primary election September 15, 1942
Precinct 2 Town of Boyford.

Meeting called to order and warrant read by
Arthur A. Anger, at seven o'clock A.M.

The ballot box was examined by the precinct
officers and the public, and found to be empty.
It was then locked and the key taken by and held
the constable Clayton A. Nelson. The register indica-
ted 000 the polls were opened at 7 o'clock A.M.

At 2 o'clock P.M. the polls were closed the register
indicating 35. The officers in charge of the check
lists announced the number of names checked
to be 35, the ballots were then taken from the
ballot box and audibly counted one by one and
the whole number was found to be 35.

The precinct officers then proceed to count the
votes received with the following results:

Whole number of votes for
Governor 35

Blank 1

Rep.	Leverett Saltonstall	32
Dem.	Francis E. Kelley	2
Dem.	Roger L. Putnam	1

Whole number of votes for
Lieutenant Governor 35

Blank 1

Rep.	Horace T. Cahill	31
Dem.	John C. Carr	3

Whole number of votes for
Secretary 35

Blank 2

Rep.	Frederick W. Cook	31
Dem.	Joseph J. Buckley	2
Dem.	Leo A. Gosselin	
Dem.	John D. O'Brien	

1942.

Whole number of votes for
Treasurer

Blank 5

Rep.	Lawrence C. Witter	17
Rep.	Edgar A. French	3
Rep.	Sybil H. Holmes	3
Rep.	Richard E. Johnston	4
Rep.	Wallace E. S. Terns	1
Dem.	Thomas E. Barry	
Dem.	Francis K. Hurley	2
Dem.	William F. Hurley	
Dem.	John F. Welch	

Whole number of votes for
Auditor 35

Blank 1

Rep.	Russell A. Wood	31
Dem.	Thomas J. Buckley	1
Dem.	Leo D. Walsh	2

Whole number of votes for
Attorney General 35

Blank 3

Rep.	Robert T. Bushnell	30
Dem.	James E. Agnew	2

Whole number of votes for
Senator in Congress

Blank 3

Rep.	Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	25
Rep.	Courtenay Crocker	5
Dem.	Joseph E. Casey	1
Dem.	Daniel H. Cookley	
Dem.	John F. Fitzgerald	
Dem.	Joseph Lee	1

1942.

Whole number of votes for
Congressman

6th Dist.		
Rep.	George J. Bates	31
Dem.	James D. Burns	—
Dem.	Leander H. Caswell	3
Dem.	Arthur Hovey League	—
	Blanks	1

Whole number of votes for

Councillor 35

5th Dist.		
Rep.	Samuel R. Bailey	13
Rep.	Washington Cook	7
Rep.	William H. McSweeney	9
Dem.	James A. Donovan	3

Whole number of votes for

Senator 35

4th Essex		
Rep.	Benjamin B. Priest	30
Dem.		

Whole number of votes for

Representative in General Court 35

8th Essex		
	Blanks	7
Rep.	Oscar H. Perkins	28

Whole number of votes for

District Attorney 35

	Blanks	5
Rep.	Hugh A. Gregg	27
Dem.	Hugh A. Gregg	—
Dem.	John T. Coors	—
Dem.	Joseph B. Harrington	3

Whole number of votes for
Register of Probate and Insolvency 35

	Blanks	4
Rep.	William F. Shanahan	28
Dem.	William F. Shanahan	3

1942.

(Eastern Dist.)

Whole number of votes for
County Commissioner 35

	Blanks	2
Rep.	G. F. Nelson Pratt	12
Rep.	James D. Bentley	18
Dem.	Michael F. Conway	3

Whole number of votes for

County Treasurer 35

	Blanks	2
Rep.	Harold E. Thurston	30
Dem.	William H. Hennessey	3

At 2.51 o'clock P.M. it was voted to dissolve
the meeting.

A true record Attest:

Simon S. Pearl,

Clerk of Precinct 2, Boyford

A true copy

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

October 26, 1942.

I have this day destroyed all the ballots
cast in both Precincts, in the Town of Boyford,
at the State Primaries, September 15, 1942.

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

1942.

Town of Boyford
Office of Board of Selectmen
October 23, 1942.

To the Town Clerk:

The Selectmen of Boyford have this day appointed George B. Parkhurst Clerk of Elections in Precinct 1 for the balance of the current year to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Malcolm R. Gillis.

Dr. Stephen J. Macdock has been appointed Inspector of Elections in Precinct 1 for the balance of the current year to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of George B. Parkhurst.

Harry L. Cole
Chairman

Town of Boyford
Office of Board of Selectmen
October 24, 1942.

To the Town Clerk:

On October 21, Joe Sheldon was appointed a Special Police officer for duty in and about the Town Hall for the current year by the Selectmen.

On October 24 Joe Sheldon took his oath of office before me.

Harry L. Cole
Justice of the Peace.

Nov. 3, 1942.

I have this day delivered to the Wardens in each Precinct the following number of ballots:
Precinct 1, 417. Precinct 2, 269.

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

1942.

Precinct 1. State Election November 3, 1942.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the voters met at the Town Hall, for precinct One on Tuesday, November 3rd, 1942 at A.M. and cast their ballots for the following named officers and questions.

The polls were opened at 7 o'clock A.M. by Clarence E. Brown

The ballot box was opened and shown to be empty, then closed, locked, and the key placed in the hands of Constable Killam

The polls closed at 2.05 o'clock P.M.

The ballot box then registered 158

The check-list showed number of votes cast, 158

The number of ballots in ballot box 158.

The ballots were then counted, publicly declared and recorded as follows:

For Governor

Roger L. Putnam of Springfield, Dem.	12
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton, Rep.	145
Henning A. Blomen of Cambridge Soc. L. Party	0
Atis A. Hood of Boston Com. Party	0
Joseph Marsidda of Swampscott Soc. Party	0
Guy S. Williams of Worcester Prohi Party	0
Blanks	1

For Lieutenant Governor.

Horace T. Cahill of Braintree Rep.	142
John C. Carr of Medford Dem.	13
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield Soc. Party	0
George L. McEllynn of Springfield Soc. L. Party	0
E. Frank Searle of Lawrence Prohi Party	1
Blanks	2

x Special Police,
Cyrus E. Killam,
J.W.P.

1942.

For Secretary

Joseph J. Buckley of Boston	Dem.	13
Frederic W. Cook of Somerville	Rep.	142
Bernard S. Kelly of Springfield	Soc. L. Party	0
Abbie S. Tibbets of Waltham	Prohi. "	0
Peter Warttainen, Jr. of Westminster	Soc. "	1
Blanks		2

For Treasurer

Lawrence Curtis of Boston	Rep.	140
Francis E. Hurley of Boston	Dem.	13
Martha E. Greer of Boston	Prohi.	1
Gote Elsel Palmquist of Boston	Soc. L. Party	0
Anders H. Swenson of Greenfield	Soc. Party	0
Blanks		4

For Auditor

Thomas J. Buckley of Boston	Dem.	15
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge	Rep.	136
Herbert Crabtree of Holyoke	Soc. L. Party	0
Ethel J. Prince of Danvers	Prohi. "	2
Blanks		5

For Attorney General

James E. Agnew of Boston	Dem.	9
Robert J. Bushnell of Newton	Rep.	145
Charles F. Danforth of Newton	Prohi.	0
Fred E. Welcher of Peabody	Soc. L. Party	0
Howard Penley of Boston	Soc. Party	0
Blanks		3

For Senator in Congress

Joseph E. Carey of Clinton	Dem.	26
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. of Beverly	Rep.	130
Horace S. Killa of Saugus of Saugus	Soc. L. Party	0
George L. Paine of Cambridge	Soc. Party	0
George L. Thompson of Randolph	Prohi.	0
Blanks		2

1942.

For Congressman Sixth District

George J. Bator of Salem	Rep.	143
James D. Burns of Salem	Dem.	12
Blanks		3

For Councillor Fifth District

James A. Donovan of Lawrence	Dem.	25
Wm. H. McSweeney of Salem	Rep.	122
Blanks		11

For Senator Fourth Essex District

William N. Grandin of Amesbury	Dem.	11
Benjamin B. Priest of Haverhill	Rep.	142
Blanks		5

For Representative in General Court

Eighth Essex District

Oscar H. Perkins of Danvers	Rep.	144
Franklin C. Roberts		1
Blanks		13

For District Attorney, Eastern District

Hugh A. Gregg of Methuen	Rep.	109
Joseph B. Harrington of Salem	Dem.	41
Blanks		8

For Register of Probate and Insolvency, Essex County

William F. Shanahan of Swampscott	Rep. Dem.	128
Blanks		30

For County Commissioner, Essex County

James D. Bentley of Swampscott	Rep.	141
Michael F. Conway of Peabody	Dem.	11
Blanks		6

For County Treasurer, Essex County

William G. Hennessey of Lynn	Dem.	13
Harold E. Thurston of Lynn	Rep.	138
Blanks		7

1942

Question No. 1. Law proposed by initiative petition

Birth control.

Yes 100
No 42
Blanks 16

1. Shall licenses be granted in Town

For sale of all alcoholic beverages.

Yes 19
No 127
Blanks 12

2. License

For sale of wine and malt beverages.

Yes 25
No 117
Blanks 16

3. License

For sale of all alcoholic beverages in packages.

Yes 26
No 117
Blanks 15

1. Pari-mutual system, Horse racing.

On Horse racing.

Yes 40
No 106
Blanks 12

2. Pari-mutual system, Dog racing.

On Dog racing.

Yes 29
No 115
Blanks 14

A true record attest.

George B. Parkhurst

Clerk

A true copy

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst
Town Clerk.

Precinct 2.

1942.

Record of Precinct 2, Town of Bofford, State Election, Tuesday, November 3, 1942.

In accordance with the requirements of the warrant issued by the Selectmen dated Oct. 26, 1942 the inhabitants of Precinct 2, Town of Bofford, qualified to vote in elections, met in Lincoln Hall on Tuesday November 3, 1942.

The warrant was read by Arthur A. Anger. The ballot box after being inspected examined by the precinct officers and the public was found to be empty. It was then locked and the key taken and held by Clayton A. Nelson the Constable in attendance, the register indicating 000.

At seven o'clock A.M. The presiding officer called upon those persons qualified to vote in elections, to bring in their ballots for the purposes expressed in the warrant. At 2-15 o'clock P.M., the polls were closed the register indicating 103.

The officers in charge of the check lists then proceeded to count the names checked on said lists, and found the whole number to be 101.

The ballot box was then opened and the ballots taken therefrom and audibly counted one by one in the presence of the precinct officers and the public, and the whole number was found to be 101. The precinct officers then proceeded to count the votes received with the following results.

Whole number of votes for Governor 101.

Blanks

1

Roger B. Putnam D.

19

Leverett Saltonstall R.

81

Henning A. Blomen S.L.P.

0

Otis A. Hood C.

0

Joseph Massidda S.P.

0

Guy S. Williams P.

0

1942.

Whole number of votes for Lieutenant Governor 101.

Blanks	1
Horace J. Cahill R.	83
John C. Carr D.	17
Walter S. Hutchins S.P.	0
George L. McGlynn S.L.P.	0
E. Frank Searle P.	0

Whole number of votes for Secretary 101

Blanks	1
Joseph J. Buckley D.	10
Frederic W. Cook R.	90
Bernard G. Kelly S.L.P.	0
Abbie L. Tebbets P.	0
Peter Warttainen, Jr. S.P.	0

Whole number of votes for Treasurer 101

Blanks	1
Lawrence Curtis R.	83
Francis X. Hurley D.	17
Martha E. Geer P.	0
Gotte Elvel Palmquist S.L.P.	0
Anders W. Swenson S.P.	0

Whole number of votes for Auditor 101

Blanks	1
Thomas J. Buckley D.	19
Russell A. Wood R.	81
Herbert Crabtree S.L.P.	0
Ethel J. Prince P.	0

Whole number of votes for Attorney General 101

Blanks	2
James E. Agnew D.	13
Robert T. Bushnell R.	86
Charles F. Danforth P.	0
Fred E. Welcher S.L.P.	0
Howard Penley S.P.	0

1942.

Whole number of votes for Senator in Congress 101

Blanks	1
Joseph E. Casey D.	14
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. R.	86
Horace S. Hillier S.L.P.	0
George L. Paine S.P.	0
George L. Thompson P.	0

Whole number of votes for Congressman 101

Blanks	1
George J. Bates R.	89
James D. Burns D.	11

Whole number of votes for Councillor 101

Blanks	0
James A. Donovan D.	27
William H. McSweeney R.	74

Whole number votes for Senator 101

Blanks	1
William N. Grandin D.	12
Benjamin B. Priest R.	88

Whole number of votes for Representative in General Court 101

Blanks	12
Oscar H. Perkins R.	89

Whole number of votes for District Attorney 101

Blanks	2
Hugh A. Gregg R.	76
Joseph B. Harrington D.	23

Whole number of votes for Register of Probate and Insolvency 101

Blanks	14
William F. Shanahan R. D.	87

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1942.

Whole number of votes for County Commissioner 101

Blanks 3
 James D. Bentley R. 83
 Michael F. Conway D. 15

Whole number of votes for County Treasurer 701

Blanks 5
 William H. Hennessy D. 15
 Harold E. Thurston R. 81

Whole number of votes for Question No. 1 101

Blanks 23
 Yes 48
 No 30

Birth Control

(1) Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages?) 101

Yes 20
 No 70
 Blanks 11

(2) Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer ale and all other malt beverages?)

Yes 21
 No 66
 Blanks 14

(3) Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

Yes 21
 No 65
 Blanks 15

1942.

(1) Shall the pari-mutual system of betting on licensed horse races be permitted in this county?

Yes 28
 No 56
 Blanks 17

(2) Shall the pari-mutual system of betting on licensed dog races be permitted in this county?

Yes 23
 No 58
 Blanks 20

At 3-10 o'clock P.M. it was voted to dissolve the meeting.

A true record

Attest

Simeon S. Pearl
 Precinct Clerk, Precinct 2.

A true copy

John W. Parkhurst
 Town Clerk.

1942.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Nov. 13, 1942.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 54 of the General Laws, the Town Clerks of Boyford, Danvers, Middleton and Topsfield, said Towns comprising the Eighth Essex Representative District, met at 12 o'clock noon on Friday, the thirteenth day of November, 1942, in the office of the Town Clerk of Danvers, the place designated for such meeting, for the purpose of examining and comparing the transcript of returns, to ascertain what person was elected to represent said District in the General Court of the Commonwealth.

The certified returns of the Towns of Boyford, Danvers, Middleton and Topsfield were examined and compared and the result was found to be as follows, to wit:

Towns	Boyford	Danvers	Middleton	Topsfield	Total
Whole number of votes cast	259	3621	527	407	4814
Blank votes	25	748	95	40	908
Oscar H. Perkins (R)	233	2873	432	367	3905
of Danvers					
Franklin C. Roberts	1	0	0	0	1

of Boyford.
Oscar H. Perkins of Danvers was declared elected to represent said district in the next General Court of the Commonwealth, the certificates of election were signed, one to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the other to the person elected.

John W. Parkhurst, Town Clerk of Boyford
A. Preston Chase, Town Clerk of Danvers
J. W. Osborne, Town Clerk of Middleton
William A. Perkins, Town Clerk of Topsfield

A True Copy

Attest: John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

1942.

Town of Boyford, Mass.
Office of Board of Selectmen

November 25, 1942.

To the Town Clerk:

On November 20, 1942, Edward R. Miller was appointed by the Selectmen to serve as a member of the Boyford Rationing Board, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Raymond Pearl.

On November 24, 1942, Mr. Miller took his oath of office before me,

Harry L. Cole
Justice of the Peace.

A True Copy

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

On March 13, 1942, Clarence E. Brown was reappointed a member of the Town Forest Committee.

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.

Boyford, Feb. 17, 1943.

I have this day destroyed all the ballots cast at the State Election held in Boyford, Nov. 3, 1942 in both precincts.

Attest:

John W. Parkhurst,
Town Clerk.