

Hayes Is Endorsed For Federal Judge

WINSTON-SALEM—Kyle Hayes of Wilkesboro Saturday received the official N. C. Republican endorsement as successor to Middle District U. S. Judge Johnson J. Hayes of North Wilkesboro.

Hayes defeated Middle District attorney Edwin P. Stanley of Greensboro and five other candidates in a closed session of the GOP Middle District Executive Committee.

Three ballots were required before a decision was reached.

T. R. Bryan of North Wilkesboro, in nominating Hayes for the committee's endorsement called the 1956 gubernatorial candidate a man who came in the "front door" of the Republican Party and who had worked hard for the party's good since.

"He was born a Republican of Christian and Republican parents," Bryan said.

Stanley's backers, still battling after the voting was over, sought to have the committee endorse both Hayes and Stanley for the post. However, Hayes' supporters nipped the move.

Running third in the first ballot was Lewis P. Hamlin of Salisbury, who has strong backing for the judgeship post from prominent law firms and attorneys on both the east and west coasts of the United States.

State GOP Chairman Ray Jennings, presiding over the session, informed the committee members that endorsement for the post was far from nomination.

"The nomination," he told the party faithful, "will come from the White House. Then there's another hurdle. The judge must be approved by the U. S. Senate."

Several responsible sources expressed doubt that Hayes will get

the nomination for the judgeship. Moving to speed the committee action, Jennings ruled that after the second ballot, only the two high men would be voted on.

Stanley, who led the first two ballots by a sizeable margin, failed to pick up enough votes to win the committee's nod.

Others nominated for endorsement were Hoke F. Henderson of Elkin, J. E. Holsinger of Boone, B. W. Walker of Leaksville, and Buford Henderson of Winston-Salem.

Teen Canteen Going Strong

The Teen Canteen is going "great guns" this summer, reports Mrs. L. H. Owsley, general chairman as usual, during the summer months. The canteen meets twice a week, on Mondays and Friday nights. Mr. Jack Groce is the leader and attendance is usually around 85.

Last week the teens conducted a major clean-up—rearranged the furniture for more space, washed and waxed the floors, cleaned the windows, stairs, and halls of the building.

The parents council of the Teen Canteen is being reconfirmed, so, if any parents of teenagers have not been contacted about serving as members of this council, please contact Mrs. Owsley, general chairman.

SOIL BANK

The Administration's Soil Bank program has been given a new lease on life after a sharp vote switching provided hundreds of millions of dollars for payments to farmers.

Pond Safety Is Discussed

4-H Club members and assistant county agents from five counties attended a farm pond safety demonstration at Appalachian State Teachers College Monday, July 1.

Coach R. W. Watkins conducted the demonstration. He gave a demonstration on artificial respiration, safety precautions in farm ponds, different methods of rescuing people from water, and methods of safety in using a boat.

This program is being conducted by the American Red Cross and the N. C. Extension Service. The purpose of the program is to try to prevent drowning in farm ponds.

Agents and boys attending were: Ashe County, H. E. Grey, assistant county agent; Holie Davis and Danny Little; Mitchell county, Ed Terrell, assistant agent, Ted Street and Wayne Tipton; Caldwell, P. L. Brawley, assistant agent, and Ned Taylor; Avery county, Lewis Aldridge, Wrightstill Avery, and Neal Stewart; Watauga, W. C. Richardson, assistant county agent, Lynn Matheson and Johnny Reeves.

Patronage Refunds Made To FCX Patrons

RALEIGH, June 27—Patronage refunds of approximately one half million dollars were authorized today by the board of directors of the Farmers Co-operative Exchange.

M. G. Mann, general manager of the FCX, said the refunds will be based on patrons' purchases from July 1 of last year through June 29, last day of the Co-operative's present fiscal year.

The directors also approved construction of a new wholesale warehouse at Washington, N. C., to cost about \$175,000. Overcrowding of present facilities in the Beaufort County city made the new building necessary. Also approved was a \$25,000 addition to the Sumter, S. C., retail unit of the organization.

Mann reported that a contract has been let for construction of

buildings on a poultry test farm at Garner. This new project, to be known as the co-operative mills laying research and evaluation farm, is expected to be ready later this year.

Construction cost will exceed \$50,000, Mann said. Ravid M. Williams of Raleigh, formerly an FCX poultry specialist, will manage the farm. Around 5,000 laying hens will be housed there.

Purpose of the farm is to carry on testing work with feed formulas and feeding practices, to develop feeds which will give greater egg production.

In a report on operations, G. D. Arndt, assistant general manager of the FCX, told the directors that the Co-operative's volume for the 11 months ending May 30 was \$39,000,336, a gain of \$5,406,000 over the same period one year ago.

7-Up Man Is Held Up, Robbed Of \$117

Adolph Arnold Cooper, distributor in this area for the 7-Up Bottling Company, reported to police that he was held up and robbed of \$117 Monday night, June 24.

Police Chief Glenn Richardson

said Cooper stated that he was locking up the company's warehouse on West Howard Street at about 9 p. m., when he "felt something in his back" and heard a man's voice say, "Don't move and you won't get hurt."

The bandit then cut the strap with which his wallet was fastened to his belt and extracted the wallet from his pocket, Cooper said. Then he took the lock from Cooper's hand, shoved him inside the door and locked it.

Cooper said he opened the big door from the inside and notified Night Policeman James B. Harrison immediately. He reported that he was unable to get a good look at the holdup man in the darkness.

The empty wallet was found in an adjoining coal yard about 15 feet from the door of the warehouse, Chief Richardson said. Several suspects have been questioned, but the investigation has proved fruitless so far, he added.

Antique Fair Is Scheduled

The third annual Antiques Fair will be held again in the Library Building at Blowing Rock, July 16-17-18 under the management of The Russells of Lenoir.

This being one of the first attractions of the Blowing Rock season will draw large numbers of out-of-town visitors. Hours will be from 11 a. m. to 10 p. m. daily. Exhibits will be brought from New York City, Michigan, Pittsburgh, Pa., Charleston, W. Va., Covington, Ky., as well as from nearby towns.

Miss Mary Creed Dies On Friday

Miss Mary Delfa Creed, 75, of Reese passed away Friday, June 28, at the Grace Hospital in Banner Elk.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, June 30, at the Mountain Dale Baptist Church. Burial followed in the Beaver Dam cemetery. The Rev. Carl Wilson conducted the services.

Survivors include four sisters, Collie Creed Proffitt of Reese; Mrs. Susie Blevens of Chillhowie, Va.; Mrs. Martha Eastridge of Mountain City, Tenn.; Mrs. Lillie Jones of Sherwood; and one brother, George Creek of Bristol, Va.

Tweetsie

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gers on the three-quarters of a mile of track that has been laid for her. The trip was classed as uneventful except for one woman's getting cinders in her hair from the coal-fed boiler which gives Tweetsie her power.

Tweetsie will have one mile of track laid by next Sunday, according to Grover Robbins Jr., president of Tweetsie, Inc.

This one mile of track will carry passengers to the future site of Tweetsieville and a picnic area.

The train was being operated today on an experimental pre-opening basis. Tweetsie, located five miles north of Blowing Rock is being operated as a tourist attraction in Western North Carolina.


The formal opening is scheduled for Sunday, July 21.

Tweetsie had as her engineer Frank Coffey of the Carolina and North Western Railroad shop in Hickory. Coffey supervised Tweetsie's repairs at the shops in Hickory this year. Her fireman was C. P. Abernethy, also of the shop in Hickory.

Tweetsie's conductors were John Broyhill and Ronald Elrod of Blowing Rock. The first two runs Tweetsie made were with the sun shining brightly. However, her other six were made in a down-pour of rain. The runs take 15 minutes up to the end of the line that is laid now and back to the station house.

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