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Democrats Promise 4-Lane Road From Topton To Tennessee

Paul Nave's Bar-B-Que chicken and Congressman Roy Taylor drew some 200 hungry and enthusiastic Cherokee County Democrats to a fund raising dinner at the Murphy Elementary School Lunchroom Saturday, Sept. 1.

The dinner was sponsored by the Young Democrat and Teen-Dem Clubs of Cherokee County. Proceeds from the dinner will be used for another Bar-B-Que shortly before election.

Democrat candidates attending the meeting included Donald Anderson, sheriff; Mrs. Mary Faye Brumby, House of Representatives; W. T. Moore, commissioner; J. H. Duncan, commissioner; Paul Suddreth, register of deeds; James Howae, clerk of court; Herman Edwards, judge of recorder's court; and Senator W. Frank Forsyth.

Co-ordinator for the dinner was Pete Stalcup of Murphy. Corky Anderson of Andrews, Teen-Dem president, Bobbie Stalcup of Murphy, Teen-Dem vice-president, and Vincent Crisp, president of the Young Democrats, were responsible for the dinner.

Judge Herman Edwards told the group "Democrats are responsible for every improvement and advancement made in Cherokee County in the past several years. I challenge the Republicans to deny this statement," he added.

Judge Edwards went on to say, "The Democrats have the best possible chairman to head our party through this election. I appreciate the task Harry Bishop has taken on."

"Our ticket this year will measure up to any group of Democrats ever presented to the voters of Cherokee County," he said.

"The biggest mistake any citizen can make is to support the Republican Party. A Republican can do nothing for you in Raleigh or Washington or any other place," Edwards said.

"Who is responsible for the new four lane bridge and high-

way west of Murphy? Our good Democrat friend, Senator Frank Forsyth."

"And thanks to the efforts of Senator Forsyth, he now tells me that the North Carolina Highway Commissioner for this district has promised a 4-lane highway from Topton to the Tennessee line," Judge Edwards concluded.

Senator Frank Forsyth introduced Congressman Taylor by saying the congressman is no stranger to Western North Carolina politics. Mr. Taylor served three terms in the N. C. Senate, and he understands WNC politics," Forsyth added.

Mr. Taylor opened by recognizing the YDC and Teen-Dem members. He commented that the party in Cherokee County is in better shape than it has been. He suggested that an active Democrat Women's Club be formed.

"Our area is suffering from isolation. To open it up we need roads," he said.

"Western North Carolina is getting more recognition from Washington today than at any time in its past history. The Blue Ridge Parkway is being completed at an accelerated pace. I am proud that I have been in position to secure approval of four major road projects since going to Congress two years ago.

First . . . Extension of the Blue Ridge Parkway to Atlanta. This will be the most valuable tourist road ever built in the Appalachian area west of Asheville.

Second . . . A forest service road from Rosman in Transylvania County to Woodrow in Haywood County.

Third . . . A park service road from I-40 to Catalochee.

Fourth . . . A forest service road from U. S. 64 to White Water Falls, the highest cascade in Eastern America."

"A 47-mile forest service road from Robbinsville to Tellico Plains, Tennessee over the wagon train route is now in the process of securing Congressional approval. The one disappointment has been the Fontana Road, but efforts there are not being relaxed, Congressman Taylor said.

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SEVEN VOTER registration books were taken from this cabinet sometime during the night last Thursday. The remaining books are shown stacked in front of the cabinet. The FBI, SBI, and Cherokee County Sheriff's Department are investigating. (Scout Photo)

Seven Voter Registration Books Stolen



H.W. HUGHES, Chairman of the Cherokee County Board of Elections, points to the panel that was removed Thursday, August 30, from the rear door when the Election office was broken into, and seven voter registration books stolen.

Seven of Cherokee County's twenty precinct registration books were reported stolen from the Board of Elections office on Tennessee St. sometime during the night Thursday, August 30. Mrs. Max Sneed, Board of Elections clerk, discovered the thief at 9 a.m. Friday, August 31, shortly after opening the office for the day. Mrs. Sneed had closed the office the day before at 4:30 p.m.

The registration books contained the official list of voters in the Murphy North ward; Murphy South ward; Andrews North ward; Andrews South ward; Brassown; and Walker's School House precincts.

The books were taken from an upright metal cabinet. The locked doors of the cabinet had been forced open. H.W. Hughes, Chairman of the Board of Elections, called in the FBI and SBI after reporting the incident to Raleigh around 10:00 a.m. Friday. Misuse of election documents is a federal offense.

Entry to the Board of Elections office was made through the rear wooden door of the building. The office is located several doors up from the Bus Station towards the square on Tennessee St.

The bottom panel to the rear door was removed and pushed to the inside of the building.

"Everything has been gone through including the file cabinets which contained official papers and my desk," Mrs. Sneed said.

According to Mr. Hughes, the FBI reported Wednesday that they had several leads. At press time, the books had not been recovered.

G. O. P. Offers List

(Editor's Note: The statements printed below were contained in a prepared statement given to this newspaper by J. Doyle Burch, chairman of the Cherokee County Republican Party).

"The Republican Party, through its Chairman, J. Doyle Burch, and the candidates in the coming election, regret that there were a number of the registration books stolen Thursday night, Aug. 30, from the Board of Elections office. Each election year we secure copies of the registration list for all precincts in Cherokee County. These lists are furnished according to the law at two cents each at a cost of approximately \$225,00. In the campaign we need these lists to find out who are eligible to vote in the coming election. Owing to the fact that a new registration has been ordered, we would have no further use for any of the old books, as we already have a complete copy of all of the books."

"We have offered the Democratic Chairman, Harry Bishop, copies of any of the missing precincts they may need free of all cost."

"There has been some criticism of the Sheriff, Claude Anderson, because it has been circulated in the county that he has made no effort to solve the break-in. The facts are that the Sheriff was not notified of the break-in until Saturday morning when he was told that the matter was entirely in the hands of the F. B. I. and the S. B. I. He offered his services in any way possible if they were needed."

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WEATHER

August	H	L	Perc.
30	89	48	0
31	90	54	0
September			
1	88	56	0
2	88	56	0
3	89	62	0
4	92	64	0
5	90	66	0.76

Forecast Thursday - Cloudy to partly cloudy with rain ending. Friday - Fair. Saturday and Sunday - Scattered cloudiness with scattered thunder showers more numerous on Sunday.

AA Group To Meet

The Tri-State Group of Alcoholics Anonymous will hold an open area meeting at the Hinton Center, Hayesville, N.C., next Sunday afternoon. There will be a picnic lunch at 1:00 p.m. and the regular meeting at 3:00 p.m.

A medical doctor who has recovered from alcoholism by practicing the twelve steps of the alcoholics anonymous program will be the speaker.

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SHADES OF YESTERYEAR - The 107 year old "General" came huffing and puffing into Murphy Tuesday to be greeted by the Murphy School Band and several hundred spectators. A group from Murphy boarded the "General" at Blue Ridge, Ga. at 3 p.m. for the commemorative excursion to Murphy. Tickets issued to passengers stated for "continuous passage-no stop over allowed-Blue Ridge to Murphy". The tickets were punched with a replica of the die used by the conductor on the historic run on April 21, 1862, when the engine was stolen by Yankee spies. The historic locomotive, traveling under its own power, pulled into Murphy around 5 p.m. and stayed over night, leaving for Canton Ga. at 8 a.m. Wednesday. (Scout Photo)

Car Rolls, Kills Child

Darrell Wayne Hamby, two-year-old son of Thurman and Mozelle Graves Hamby of Rt. 4, Murphy, was killed about 9 a.m. Saturday when a car which was parked in the yard at his home rolled forward and struck him as he was playing.

Coroner J.C. Townson ruled the death accidental and said no inquest is planned.

Surviving in addition to the parents are two sisters, Shelia and Glenda Faye of the home; the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Hamby, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graves, all of the Violet section.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Violet Baptist Church.

The Rev. W.D. Graham officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

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Back To School

Marlene Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hughes, Pam Reece, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Reece, and Susanne Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Taylor.

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