

# Wayne 19th Dems Send All Votes

By DENNIS PAJOT

A 20-year-old Redford Township youth will be among the delegates to the Democratic state convention in Grand Rapids this weekend.

His eligibility was assured when the Wayne-19th District-County convention Saturday adopted the "open convention" rule for its delegation. This provides that all paid-up regular party members will be allowed to represent the district and participate in voting.

Partisan politics and convention are nothing new to Raoul Leger of 1870 Aubrey. He was a Wayne-19th delegate to the party reform convention last fall, also, became a regular party member last year and previously belonged to the Young Dems.

Leger is a Wayne State University dropout who preferred to work in the Eugene McCarthy campaign for the presidency in 1968. He served as coordinator of Michigan Students for McCarthy during the Milwaukee Democratic primary.

PASSAGE OF the "open convention" rule came on a unanimous vote of precinct delegates Saturday, the first time it hasn't been contested since Ron Mardiros became chairman and began its prevalence. Mardiros, who told the

delegates he won't be seeking the chairmanship again, said, "We've come a long way."

The unanimous vote also prevented an open test of delegate strength in the traditionally faction-ridden district.

Mardiros claims to have 50 of the 100 precinct delegates and others generally concede that he has a controlling number for a showdown.

HIS TENURE as chairman has been characterized by an aggressive campaign to whittle away at the previously dominant strength of labor union stalwarts. To do so he has fashioned a coalition of liberals and independents — at least for district organization purposes.

Labor strength has declined to 11 delegates, with just five of eight winning contested con-

tests in the Aug. 4 primary, according to one party official. Meanwhile, liberal elements of the New Democratic Coalition (NDC) gained delegate strength, seating 12 of 20 candidates, according to an NDC spokesman.

With labor dominance of party organization waning generally in the state and NDC fervor short-circuited by middle-of-the-road candidates espousing the same causes, the Mardiros "independents" seem to be a bellwether of party affairs.

THE ONLY OPEN SPLIT during the district-county convention was between hawks and doves, or, more specifically, between World War II veterans and anti-draft advocates.

Clayton Shackett and William C. Ford of Redford Township

and Nick J. Iatrow of Livonia led a fight that narrowly defeated a resolution advocating support of legislation to excuse from the draft anyone objecting to a conflict not declared as a "war" by Congress. The vote was 15-14.

Iatrow, a fiery disabled American veteran, said, "I'm disgraced that this resolution should even be offered at a Democratic Party convention. If we're going to let them pick and choose their war, we're in

trouble. It's about time they stood up and acted like men."

Ford said he opposes the resolution because it advocates asserting states rights over federal rights.

Shackett echoed Iatrow's sentiments.

Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State University.

Iatrow and Shackett again led the opposition. They were defeated and the resolution passed, 23-7, however.

Resolutions supporting 19th District Democratic Congressional nominee Fred L. Harris, by name and platform, and "all other Democratic candidates" passed unanimously.

ANOTHER OPEN DEBATE followed introduction of a resolution in support of seating a student as a voting member of the boards of the University of



DR. E. GORDON YUDASHKIN

## Dr. Yudashkin Named Head Of Department

Dr. E. Gordon Yudashkin, former superintendent of Northville State Hospital, has been appointed Director of the Michigan Department of Mental Health by Gov. William G. Milliken.

Yudashkin has been the department's acting director since May 1, when Dr. William Anderson retired as director.

Since May, 1969, Yudashkin has been director of the department's division of community and hospital services for the mentally ill. In December, 1968, he was named assistant director of the division of services for the mentally ill.

He was Superintendent of Northville State Hospital from April, 1966, to November, 1968.

MILLIKEN SAID, "Dr. Yudashkin, in the time he has so ably served as acting director of the department, has consistently proven that he possesses all necessary qualities to bring about active, vitally needed state achievement in the vitally important mental health area. "He and I have discussed the

## Dr. Geake Seeking State Post

R. Robert Geake of Northville will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for the state board of education at the GOP convention in Detroit Aug. 28-29.

Geake is currently an at-large trustee of Schoolcraft Community College in Livonia, having been elected in June, 1969.

He is an educational psychologist in private practice and a certified consulting psychologist with his doctorate from the University of Michigan.

Dr. Geake serves as chairman of the Mental Health subcommittee of the governor's task force on health and mental health. He was chairman of the absentee vote drive for Richard M. Nixon's presidential campaign in Wayne County.

Also seeking a state board of education nomination at the Republican convention will be Douglas R. Mueller, president of the South Redford Schools Board of Education.

enormous mental health tasks facing Michigan as well as the opportunities for deep, significant service. I am confident that he fully comprehends both the challenges and opportunities and will most capably serve Michigan and its people."

Dr. Yudashkin is certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and is a diplomate in psychiatry.

He was an assistant director of the New York State Department of Mental Hygiene, 1954-66, and was founder of the Brooklyn Aftercare Clinic, one of the nation's first.

DR. YUDASHKIN also founded the Psychiatric Consultation Clinic in Nassau County, New York, where he was medical director at the time he accepted his appointment as medical superintendent at Northville State Hospital. The Nassau Clinic provides consultation, education, treatment and diagnostic service to the courts and the county departments of Welfare, Health and Probation. Dr. Yudashkin received his medical degree from University of Toronto in 1946, and completed his residency in psychiatry at Central Islip State Hospital, New York, in 1950. He was trained in psychoanalysis at the American Institute of Psychoanalysis in New York.

HE REMAINED at Central Islip for seven years directing several of the hospital services and advancing to senior, staff psychiatrist.

Dr. Yudashkin was on the faculty of Nassau County Academy of Medicine and the New York School of Psychiatry, and was a lecturer at Adelphi College graduate school of social work.

He has assisted with community mental health planning in New York and Michigan, and served an interim appointment in the former state as medical director of a community mental health board.

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