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Grant To Extend Library Facilities Approved

Washington: Congressman Roy A. Taylor Thursday announced the approval of a grant of \$60,894 from the Appalachian Regional Committee to extend public library facilities at Spruce Pine.

The book capacity of the enlarged facility will be increased from 8000 to 30,000 volumes and will serve Mitchell, Avery and Yancey Counties. Construction work will cost a total of \$161,070. A total \$67,962 will be provided through the Library Services and Construction Act; \$32,214 from local sources and the \$60,894 from the Appalachian Regional Committee.

Yancey County Citizens Attend Inauguration

Those from Yancey County attending the Inauguration of Governor Scott, and the Inaugural Ball, in Raleigh on Monday were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Wentz McIntosh; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards; Mr. and Mrs. James Fox; Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Holcombe and daughters, Pat and Jean; Miss Glenna Thomas; Mrs. Nan Proffitt; Mr. Mark Bennett and son Mark, Jr.; Aorian Buchanan; Ronny Webb. Ronny Webb acted as Marshal for Miss Libby McNeil, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Frank Huskins of Raleigh. Mark Bennett, Jr., was Miss Martha Ramsey's Marshal. Miss Ramsey is the daughter of Representative and Mrs. Liston Ramsey of Marshall. Miss McNeil and Miss Ramsey were among the sponsors of the Inaugural Ball.

New Furnace Being Installed At Burnsville School

A new furnace will be installed in the Rock Building at Burnsville Elementary School. The furnace, which was installed when the building was constructed, started leaking water, and due to the condition and age of the furnace officials decided it would be wise to install a new furnace rather than trying to repair the old one.

The students will hold classes in the Agricultural Building and gymnasium the rest of the week. According to Mr. Justice, School Superintendent, they expect to have the new furnace in working order by Monday of next week.

sitions of leadership," he was appointing four Republicans to the House Committee. He was doing this, he said "Out of a sense of fairness and in the hope that it could lead to closer cooperation between the parties and make for a smoother and more efficient session."

Snow Closes Schools

Several Western North Carolina Schools were closed this week due to snow which made driving hazardous in many areas Tuesday morning.

No more snow is in sight according to the weathermen as schools reopened this morning.

Yancey County Schools have missed four days this year because of snow.

LAUGHRUN AND HELMLE ELECTED DIRECTORS OF ASHEVILLE AGRICULTURAL DEV. COUNCIL

Paul Laughrun, Dist. Supervisor, Farmers Home Adm., and Robert K. Helmle of Burnsville, have been elected Directors of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council for 1969 representing Yancey county. The election took place at the annual meeting of the 18 county area development association this week.

Purpose of the agricultural Development Council, which was formed 18 years ago, is to help develop opportunities for increased income and to promote rural progress. A major activity is sponsoring the Western North Carolina Community Development Program in cooperation with the agricultural agencies and local sponsors in each county.

Frank L. Yarbrough of Marion, manager of Duke Power Company was elected president of the organization, succeeding James F. Davis of Asheville.

In a progress report for the past year, Davis stated: "Any theory that agriculture is becoming less important and offers few opportunities for vigorous area-wide promotion has long since been completely rejected in Western North Carolina. County and area leaders have continued to recognize the growing importance of both agriculture and the agri-business sector to the area's economy."

"After 18 years, the leaders of the Agricultural Council are still convinced that agriculture and the rural economy possess

great opportunity, that our rural heritage in Western North Carolina can grow steadily stronger and that we have benefitted greatly from this 'partnership for progress' between town and country."

Directors Of Mayland Chapter To Meet

By: Ashton Chapman

A meeting of the board of directors of the Mayland Chapter, American National Red Cross, will be held at 8 p. m. Monday, Jan. 13, in the parish hall of Trinity Episcopal Church in Spruce Pine.

The Mayland Chapter was recently formed through a consolidation of the Red Cross Chapters of Mitchell, Avery and Yancey Counties.

Permanent officers and committee chairmen will be elected to succeed the interim appointees who have been serving for the past several weeks. The Rev. W. Ross Baley, vicar of the Spruce Pine Episcopal Parish, has been serving as interim president, and Mrs. Kay Mathiesen of Little Switzerland, executive secretary.

Appointment Of WNC Legislators To House And Senate Rules Committee

House Speaker Earl Vaughn and Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor, Jr., at a joint news conference, announced the appointment of five Western North Carolina legislators to the House and Senate Rules Committee for the 1969 General Assembly, which begins Jan. 15. They are Sen. R. T. (Ted) Dent of Asheville, a Republican; Sen. Clyde M. Norton of Old Fort, a Democrat; Rep. Herschel S. Harkins of Asheville, a Democrat; Rep. James E. Holshouser, Jr., of Boone, a Republican; and Rep. Liston B. Ramsey of Marshall, a Democrat. Ramsey and Holshouser were named as Vice-Chairmen of the House Committee. Holshouser is chmn. of the State Republican party. Sen. Dent was named as one of the two chairmen of the Senate Committee.

Vaughn stated that he hoped work could begin immediately. "So as to have a tentative draft of the House rules ready upon the convening of the General Assembly." Vaughn also stated "Although traditionally the majority party organized the General Assembly and holds all po-

FISHING GOOD IN FLORIDA



While vacationing in Florida recently, Dr. Garland Wampler was the guest of Mr. L. V. Pollard on a fishing trip to Lake Okeechakee. Fishing trip was good on New Year's Day, though the weather was colder than

usual for Southern Florida. Mr. Thomas Lee Barrus of Hialeah, Fla., brother-in-law of Dr. Wampler and Jim Bingham also accompanied Mr. Pollard. Pictured are Mr. Thomas Lee Barrus and Dr. Garland Wampler.