



MRS. MARY FAY BRUMBY, Cherokee County Representative, takes time from her busy schedule to confer with House Speaker Pat Taylor on legislative matters.

The Nos And Ayes Of The House

By Mrs. Mary Faye Brumby

RALEIGH - This has been a most interesting week in the General Assembly as action is moving at a very fast pace. On Thursday, only eight days after the start of the Session, for example, Lt. Governor Bob Scott completed the naming of all his committees in the Senate; and yet, even before that, the Senate Insurance Committee had already held two public hearings on the State's Automobile Liability Insurance Laws.

In the House, we are also moving rapidly, and the lineup of committee chairmen is almost completed. It has been my good fortune to land on several of the more important committees: Finance; Education; Elections and Election Laws; Journal; Enrolled Bills and House Expenditures; Water Resources and Control; Conservation and Development; and Library.

Two bills which I have signed are: "To make Charlotte College a campus of the University of North Carolina"; and "The \$300,000,000 Road Bond Issue."

This Bond Issue, of course will come before the people of the whole state for a vote and of course, may be amended in committee. As you may already know, Cherokee County

will get \$881,000. Andrews will get \$55,100 and Murphy will get \$87,600. Naturally, I should have preferred to have seen more money allocated for rural secondary roads. This view is held by the majority of the Legislators from the western part of the state; however, it seems to me that if we can build roads without raising taxes, then I am all for it. It will surely mean roads for many people in North Carolina and quite a few for us, too, I hope.

As many of you know, it costs anywhere from four to ten times as much to build a mile of road in Cherokee County as it does to build a road in flat country. Yet, this factor is not being given enough consideration according to my way of thinking. I was taped on six radio stations this week a saying so. I am very much in favor of Governor Moore's program as a whole; but I feel that the only way that we here in the mountains will ever get our roads paved is to let people know when we think that we are not getting our due share.

Let me say that I have not had time to study this bill fully. I want to make it clear that I am in agreement with the principles of the bill; that is, that a great deal of "immediate" road money is urgently

Slow Creek Homemakers Meet

SLOW CREEK- Homemakers in the Slow Creek Community met at the home of Mrs. Vernon Parker on Thursday, February 11, for the purpose of hearing the Extension Program explained and to indicate their desire in organizing a Home Demonstration Club.

Several women in the group had participated in club work several years ago and recalled many pleasant experiences and much accomplished through group action.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 11 at the home of Mrs. Fred Arrowood, at which time they will have election of officers and attend to other business pertinent to getting their club work set up.

The second Thursday of each month will be their regular meeting time. In the meantime visits will be made to those who were unable to get to the first meeting.

Mrs. Clarence Hendrix of the Peachtree Home Demonstration Club visited in this community and assisted Mrs. Parker in getting the group together.

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needed. So, in summation, I am very hopeful that we will come out with a Road Bond Issue satisfactory to us.

As a freshman I attend classes on parliamentary procedure taught each day by Secretary of State Thad Eure. The work is exacting and the hours are long, but I love every minute of it.

My votes may not always please all of you, but I want you to know that I shall do my best to be well-informed and with the help of God I shall vote for what I consider to be best for Cherokee County and Western North Carolina.

If you do not agree with me, I invite you to come and discuss whatever it may be with me. I shall always welcome your ideas and suggestions. I am very happy to report that my office is Room 1307 on the first floor on the front. It is one of the most desirable locations so far as convenience to committee rooms is concerned, and I feel fortunate in getting it.

I shall attempt to keep you informed on pending legislation and hope to have more news for you next week.

Nantahala Boy Scout District Holds Court Of Honor Here



HOWARD COFFEY accepts an award for Troop 414, Marble, N. C. for the greatest percentage of Scouts present at the Court Of Honor.



REX THOMPSON, representing Troop 404 of Murphy accepts the trophy for best attendance of 1964. John Burton, District Scout Executive, made the presentations.

MURPHY- Approximately one hundred and fifty Scouts, Scouters and parents were present at the Nantahala District Boy Scout Court of Honor last Thursday evening, February 18, at the First Methodist Church in Murphy.

Rev. Calrk Benson, pastor of the First Methodist Church gave the invocation. Rev. Benson was thanked for his work with the Scouts by allowing the Church to be used for Scout functions, for his participation in the courts of honor and for his sermon on Scout Sunday, which was the official opening of Scout Week throughout this country.

Eddie Hughes and Jackie Pope, from Troop 402, presented colors. Rex Thompson, from the same troop, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

John Jordan, Nantahala District Chairman of advancements, made the opening remarks and stressed the fact that more advancements are expected of the troops this coming year. He brought out the fact that in 1935 in the Daniel Boone Council there were only 349 advancements, and last year, 1964, there were 1770 advancements. He further stressed the fact that by 1970 the council needed to have 3476 advancements if everyone is doing his job.

Second Class awards were presented by Tommy Gentry, Scoutmaster of Troop 402. First Class awards were presented by Bill Christy, who is at present financial chairman for the Scout drive in Murphy. Star and Life awards were presented by John Burton, District Scout Executive. John Jordan presented Merit Badges.

Freddy Davis was recognized as having received his Eagle Scout Award recently during Scout Week.

Dr. George Hunnicutt, president of the Murphy Rotary Club, was recognized and thanks of appreciation went to the club for its help in the courts of honor this past year by presenting to the district three trophies to be used in advancement and attendance.

Charlie Hughes, district chairman, awarded Troop 402 of Murphy the attendance trophy. This is for the best over-all attendance at all courts of honor for the past year. The trophy for most registered Scouts in attendance, percentage wise, went to Troop 424 of Shooting Creek. Troop 424 also won the trophy for the most advancements for the past year.



CARY BRACKEN accepts the "Most Advancements for the year" Award for Troop 407 of Hayesville.

This month's trophy went to Troop 402 of Murphy, for the greatest percent of Scouts present at this court of honor. Troop 424 came through again as winner of the advancement trophy.

It was announced that the next district court of honor would be held in Hayesville, N. C. at 7:30 on April 22.

The meeting closed with the group saying the Scout Oath. Mrs. George Dyer and Mrs. Charlie Hughes served refreshments to the group. Freddy Davis, from THE CHEROKEE SCOUT, took pictures of all troops present and announced that any Scout desiring a picture of his troop may do so by contacting him at the SCOUT office.

Troop 414, from Marble had the following advancements: Billy Moore and Jerry Hughes, second class; Kenneth Lovingood and Billy Almond, Star; Howard Coffey, Billy Almond, Davis Stiles, Vernon Gribble, Kenneth Lovingood received merit badges.

Troop 424, from Shooting Creek, had the following advancements: Billy Lyvers, Joe McClure, Jerry Hogsed, Rick-ey Holden, Harold Enloe, Newell Ledford, John S. Hogsed, Jr., Douglas S. Penland, Buddy Davenport, David Louie Led-

ford, David N. Ledford, Tommy Moore, Rex Patterson, all were awarded the second class rank in Scouting.

Andrews Troop 401 had the following advancements: First class Scout awards went to Mike Auls, Robert Hogsed, George Elkhouri, Charles Frazier, Bobby Hogsed. Merit badges were awarded to Robert Hogsed, George El Khouri, Kevin Hooper and Charles Nichols.

Jackie Pope and Terry Stiles from Troop 402 in Murphy received their first class awards. Rex Thompson became a Life Scout. Bruce Coward, Brian Coward, Jackie Pope, Terry Stiles, Rex Thompson, James Ledford, and Steve Thompson received merit badges.

-M- Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Townsend and family spent the weekend in Knoxville, Tenn.

-M- Mrs. Edwina Shelton, Mrs. Edith Evans and Miss Inez Blay spent Saturday in Chattanooga, Tenn.

-M- Miss Frances McPherson of Andrews was a business visitor in Murphy Wednesday.

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