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## On The Midway

Kids rode the traditional merry-go-round on the midway this week at the annual Cherokee County Fair and Brasstown craftsmen displayed their skills in public demonstrations inside the

Rock Gym, which serves as the Fair's exhibition hall. Mrs. Evelyn Lee is shown at the loom and Lynn Gault raises a vase on his potter's wheel. (Larry McInturff Photos)

## Taylor Backs Kilmer Road

Congressman Roy Taylor said here Tuesday afternoon that he hopes the scenic road between Robbinsville and Tellico Plains, Tenn. is finished, with as little damage as possible to the Graham County mountains.

Looking fit and lean, Taylor played a round of golf on Tuesday afternoon at the Cherokee Hills course and then came into Murphy to speak at a reception at the Power Board Building.

The golfing was to fulfill a pledge made last year when he was the dedicatory speaker at the new course, constructed with a \$250,000 federal loan.

However, it rained so hard on the dedication ceremonies that the Congressman postponed his round of golf.

The 11th District lawmaker, a Black Mountain attorney, underwent gall bladder surgery several months back but says he is in fine physical shape now and has lost a little weight. He was first elected to Congress in 1960 and says he will be a candidate for re-election next year.

About 60 people attended the reception for Taylor, with refreshments served by the Democratic Women. The Congressman made a few brief remarks and then responded to questions from the floor.

On the Joyce Kilmer Forest road controversy, Congressman Taylor said funds were appropriated back in 1962 and the project was publicized without any opposition from conservationists. Construction began from both Robbinsville and Tellico, he said, and was about half finished when conservation groups halted work on the road in the past two years.

"The Forest Service is still studying a route for the road," he said. "I hope they find a solution and build the scenic road with as little damage to the environment as possible."

"I'm a conservationist to some extent," he continued. "But not one who says nothing

should change. I believe in the wise use of the land for the good of humanity. Development is needed and I've told some of these national conservationists that although we agree in wanting to protect the environment as much as possible, I also want to improve the economy of this area and they don't give a hoot about the local economy."

On the price-wage freeze ordered by President Nixon, Taylor said, "Some action had to be taken. Congress gave the President the power a year ago - he waited too long to use it. Some provision for the interest rate, I think, should have been included."



## Congressional Swing

Congressman Roy Taylor played a round of golf on the Cherokee Hills course Tuesday afternoon before speaking at the Murphy Power

Board building. Others in the foursome were, left to right, Hobart McKeever, the Congressman's aide Tom Mallonee and Walter Carringer.

## Ecology Popular Fair Theme

The news in Murphy this week is the Cherokee County Fair, doing business daily at the Fairgrounds and the Rock Gym.

Ecology, the keyword of national concern over environment and pollution, was the theme of a number of exhibits judged for ribbons and on Tuesday.

The Marble Community Development Club won the first prize of \$75 in the community club competition for best exhibit. Its presentation showed improvements over the past year to the community center at Marble.

The Texana Club won second prize, of \$50, for a graphic indictment of the joint - Murphy-Cherokee County landfill, which is located in that community. The exhibit, featuring a toy dump truck and lots of garbage, hit hard at the dump, which has annoyed

Murphy's black community for some time.

The Extension Homemakers Club from the Sunny Point section won \$50 for their display of two roadside mailboxes, one neatly lettered and the area surrounding it free of trash, the other a sloppy job with much garbage scattered about.

The Hayesville homemakers placed second among the Extension Homemakers' entries, with an exhibit on the paint-up, clean-up, fix-up theme.

The Future Homemakers of America from Hiwassee Dam High won first place in their division with a display of basic daily foods and the Future Farmers of America from Andrews were second with a miniature model of a hay

cafe, capable of automatic feeding for a number of cattle. The solid waste disposal

program proposed for Cherokee and Clay counties by TVA planners is portrayed in one exhibit and the We Care group has erected an attractive display on the mental health center at Marble. The U.S. Forest Service has a display on pines native to this area.

Several Cherokee County industries have also put up booths in the Rock Gym. The Rimco display shows how a pattern is transformed into delicate lace, the American Thread booth displays various times of kinds of thread along with the trophies won by that plant's crack girls' softball team, the Levi's booth features a king-sized pair of pants and Clifton is displaying its intricate instruments.

There are the usual flowers, canned goods, garden vegetables and handmade clothing articles on display, all now wearing the ribbons

bestowed by judges on Tuesday and there is much emphasis this year on crafts.

The John Campbell Folk School at Brasstown has a number of craft activities on display and the Brasstown craftsmen are nightly showing their skills, making pottery, weaving, carving wood and working with minerals and semi-precious stones at the Rock Gym in public demonstrations.

Tri-County Tech also has a large display area, complete

with equipment used in its courses, to show the fair-going public what is available at the Peachtree school.

As in previous years, the midway this year is by Georgia Amusements, offering a variety of rides and games.

Crowds were thin on Monday and Tuesday nights but the sponsoring Murphy Lions Club expects attendance to pick up by the end of the week. The fair, which is the 53rd annual event, runs through Saturday night.

## Old Paper Has Familiar Ring

A reader brought in an old copy of The Scout this week but some of the news in it had a familiar ring.

Andrew (Bucky) Rose brought in a yellowed crumpled Scout of July 11, 1913. He said his father, Henry Rose, discovered it Sunday night among some old family possessions.

Right there on the front page was a story about five prisoners breaking out of the Cherokee County Jail. It noted that two of the escaped men were Indians and Sheriff C. B. Hill and other officers tracked them with dogs to the vicinity of the Indian settlement near Tomotla but the trail ended there.

Another front page story was the account of how the Murphy baseball team had whipped Copperhill twice, largely on the hitting of Jerry Davidson.

A long letter also appeared on the front page of the 1913 Scout, supposedly written by Christ himself and carrying the warning that anyone who came into possession of the letter should publish it or else suffer much bad luck. The story said the letter had been published in several North Georgia papers.

"Whoever works on the Sabbath Day shall be cursed. I command you to go to church and keep holy the Lord's Day," the letter read and the story went on to mention by name people who had suffered bad luck because they had held a copy of the letter without publishing it.

Inside the four-page paper there was a solid page of regional and national news stories and more local stories, including one of a recent highway commission meeting in Murphy in which an engineer and a contractor got into a bloody fight. The contractor, according to the story, used his heavy walkingstick on the other man and ended up charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

There were a number of advertisements on the front page of the old paper, including a directory of doctors and lawyers. Inside there were ads for two local banks, the Bank of Murphy and the Commercial

and Savings Bank. There was a Coca-Cola ad and a directory of Atlanta ads from firms which filled mail orders.

There were no grocery ads at all and the lone theater ad mentioned no titles or names of actors. It was called the Dreamland Theater and its ad said only that it was "Running Three New Reels Daily" and would show "nothing to offend any lady or child."

The only advertiser in the issue who appears in the paper today is Murphy Hardware. Its 1913 ad offered garden tools and farm implements.

## Channel 5 Temporarily Off The Air

The Asheville television station, WLOS-TV, will be off the air in Murphy and Andrews for another week or so, according to reports received here this week.

WLOS engineers had to remove the translator atop Johanna Bald near Andrews on Thursday of last week due to faulty color signal transmissions by that unit and return it to the manufacturer for repairs.

A spokesman for the station said at that time it would take about two weeks for repairs to the Andrews translator. The Murphy area receives the Asheville signal through the Andrews translator and was thereby knocked out by the action.

## Labor Day Closings

The Cherokee County Courthouse and most Murphy stores will be closed Monday for Labor Day.

The regular meeting of the Cherokee County commissioners will be held on Tuesday, beginning at 9 a.m.



## Cable TV Being Installed

Workmen are busy this week installing a cable television system in Murphy.

Harold Shook, president of Murphy Cable TV, Inc., said two crews are presently wiring houses for the cable system and another crew is installing the signal-receiving equipment on Pain Mountain.

Construction will probably start next week, Shook said, on the antenna tower on the mountain. The system is planned to be in complete operation by Oct. 9, he added, "in plenty of time for the World Series."

Shook was given the franchise for the system early this year by the Murphy Town Council and recently got approval for the cable set-up from the Federal Communications Commission. Work is presently confined to Murphy but the service can be extended to nearby communities, he said, if

there are enough subscribers to justify it.

A cable TV subscriber will pay \$5.50 a month, according to Jerry Anderson, who is in charge of the local system, and

will receive about nine different channels, coming from major surrounding cities, and also FM music.

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FRONT ROW  
EDWINA CARROLL  
-Mr. & Mrs. James Carroll  
ELISA ANN OWENS  
-Mr. & Mrs. William Owens  
MARY IDA TOWNSON  
-Mr. & Mrs. Eric Townson  
MARGARET LYNN HALL  
-Mr. & Mrs. John Burton Hall  
MELANIE LYNN PRESSLEY  
-Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Pressley  
KAREN RUTH MOORE  
-Mr. & Mrs. Ferd Moore  
BACK ROW  
MARK SIMMONS  
-Mr. & Mrs. Henry Simmons  
SCOTT BRACKETT  
-Mr. & Mrs. William Brackett, Jr.  
HUGH EDWARD ALLEN  
-Mr. & Mrs. Willard Allen  
MORRIS LEE COKER  
-Mr. & Mrs. Leroy Coker  
RICHARD KEVIN MILLER  
-Mr. & Mrs. Patt Miller  
MARK ALAN CARLSON  
-Mr. & Mrs. W. Douglas Carlson  
BILLY TATUM  
-Mr. & Mrs. Doyle T. Tatum

## Football Star To Visit Here

Plans were being laid here this week for the appearance in Murphy on Sept. 11 of a major professional football star, Don Maynard, wide receiver for the New York Jets.

High School football coaches of the area and officials of The Cherokee Scout and Greenlawn Memorial Gardens are working out final details, the time and place to be announced later.

A native of El Paso, Texas, Maynard will probably meet informally with fans and young footballers on the afternoon of Sept. 11 and be the guest of honor that night at a dinner for coaches.



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