



## Ecusta Wins Transylvania County Softball Title . . .

With slugging Ed Allen driving out nine home runs and hitting a torrid .348, the Ecusta softballers experienced one of their finest seasons this year, winning 15 and losing 4 to cop the championship of the Transylvania League.

A glance at the season's records indicates that 12 of these victories were scored in the regular Transylvania League season with three more coming in the playoffs which Ecusta also won. In non-league games, the locals broke even, defeating Greenwood, S. C. 5-4 and losing to Elks Club of Asheville, 3-2.

Fritz Merrell racked up 13 wins on the mound while losing three to gain a .812 record and Jim Griffin won three of his four starts for a .750 percentage.

### BATTING AVERAGES

PLAYER	A.B.	Hits	Avg.
Roy Carter	26	11	.423
D. C. Landreth	10	4	.400
Ed Allen	69	24	.348
Marshall Loftis	70	24	.343
Jack Wilbur	31	10	.323
Jim Griffin	11	3	.273
Fritz Merrell	56	15	.268
Robert Jennings	53	14	.264
Speedy Merrell	63	13	.206
Pete Dockens	11	2	.182
Marshall Gillespie	28	5	.178
Conley McKinnish	29	5	.172



In many respects, the 1948 softball season was one of the best in history. The men copped the championship of the local league during the regular schedule and then went on to win the playoff.

Front row, left to right, Jack Wilbur, Bob Jennings, Fritz Merrell, James Misenheimer, and Conley McKinnish; second row, in the same order, Jim Griffin, Marshall Gillespie, D. C. Landreth, Ed Allen, Marshall Loftis, Pete Dockens, Speedy Merrell, and Roy Carter.