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A Special Issue

This week's Scout is a very special issue for the staff and management of this newspaper. It is the first issue published in the new build-

Of course the building itself is not altogether the reason for our excitement over this issue, but the reasons behind the new home for the Scout are worth looking over.

The publisher said it in a few words when the new building was under construction: "This new building is an expression of our confidence in the potential growth of Cherokee and Clay Counties."

A newspaper can only grow and progress as the communities it serves grow and progress. Despite the fact that Cherokee and Clay Count-

ies are starting out low on the scale, both are mov-

And we are justly proud that the Scout is growing along with our communities.

Circulation is at an all time high. News, Adfine support from our towns, and this support is what enables us to grow and provide you with a better newspaper.

The new building provides almost three times as much room as our previous plant, plus additional features planned for the immediate future to serve you better.

When we get everything packed away and everything spic and span, we want to invite all of you to visit us in our new quarters.

Our Open House date will be delayed for some time until the weather permits us to finish the parking area around the new building, but like all proud homeowners, we want to look our best when you come calling.

Like the man suid, "It takes a heap of living in a house to make a home."

And likewise, "It takes a heap of printing in a building to make a newspaper plant.

We are eagerly looking forward to making this new building a complete newspaper plant, in every sense of the word.

Can We Afford To Wait?

The Town Board Members in Murphy took a step in the right direction at their meeting this month when they agreed to try out several different types of two-way radios for police patrol cars here to determine which one would work best.

In this day of lightening-like communications all over the world, no police department can operate efficiently or adequately without proper communications equipment.

As for doing something about the problem of manning the police station phone at all times, so someone will be on hand to take a distress message coming in, the old problem of 'money' raised it's

While we're sure everyone likes low taxes, we also believe that the people of this town will support whatever move necessary to give Murphy proper police protection.

The Board Members pointed out that adding a full time man at the station would bring up an increase in the budget for the police department.

We favor protecting the lives and property of the citizens of this town, even if it will cost a little more, and we feel most people here agree.

The Board Members say that an increase in the police department's budget will have to wait until the beginning of the new fiscal year, around June.

While we appreciate the problems of financing the operations of the town, we hope that the for the Stop Polio Day Sunday is to be congratulatlack of having a man by the phone can wait until the new budget is made up.



EART OF AMERICA

Power Board Announces Higher Standards For **Gold Medallion Homes**

The Murphy Power Board today announced the adoption of new, higher standards for the popular Gold Medallion Home program.

According to John H. Bayless, manager, the new requirements here are among the highest Gold Medallion home standards in the nation.

He said standards were elevated here to more adequately local homebuilding meet

"The program now includes air conditioning, electric heating, all-electric laundry, all-electric kitchen, lighting for sight and for atmosphere, and adequate wiring standards," said Mr. Bay-

He said the new standards will mark the Gold Medallion home as the ultimate in electrical living.
Mr. Bayless said the local

system has also adopted a new Gold Medallion symbol. It will read "TOTAL ELECTRIC A-WARD - THE GOLD MEDAL-LION HOME." The symbolcast in metal- is presented to homeowners who build or remodel a home to meet Gold Medallion standards.

According to the requirements, the Gold Medallion home can be in any price range, and in any architectural design, but must be built to meet all of the following standards.

Appliances: Range (built in or free-standing), water heater, dishwasher, automatic

washer and dryer (combination unit will suffice), and a refrigerator. A garbage dis-posal is recommended but not

a requirement. Heating and Air Conditioning: Properly engineered heating and air conditioning for the entire home. Proper installation of a heat pump will fulfill both heating and

cooling requirements. Wiring: Minimum 200-ampere service plus minimum requirements as stipulated in the National Electrical Code, local codes, and the Residential Wiring Handbook as amended by the Tennessee Adequate Wiring Bureau.

Lighting: Minimum requirements for lighting as specified in the American Home Lighting Institute's "Light For Living" standards.

Mr. Bayless said the Murphy Power Board has trained personnel available to discuss the program with architects, builders, contractors and homeowners. This service is free, he said.

The Gold Medallion Home program is sponsored nationally by the National Electrical Manufacturers Association. Its aim is to make the Gold Medallion home a mark of living excellence in the homebuilding industry.

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World Championship Dog Sled Races-

Murphy AF Sergeant Uses Circulation is at dn all time high. News, Advertising and other Scout services have received Hunting Dog Background Huskies Mush The

MURPHY - An Air Force Sergeant from Murphy has an assignment in Alaska that might sound like a tall tale when he tells it years from now, but he can use this story as proof.

United States Air Force teams have competed in almost every known sport and activity in the world but now the Alaskan Air Command is about to introduce something

For the first time, the Air Force blue and gold colors will make their appearance during the forthcoming World Championship Sled Dog Races Feb. 21-23 as part of the weeklong Anchorage Fur Rendezvous.

Representing the Alaskan Air Command in the yearly classic will be the Fort Yukon Air Force Station entry driven by S/Sgt. Charles S. Sutton of the 709th AC&W Squadron.

A six-foot, six-inch, 230 pound giant who hails from Murphy, Sergeant Sutton has been previously noted for his athletic prowess on the basketball court and football field, being formerly associated with the Lackland AFB, Texas, "War Hawks."

The Fort Yukon dog team has 11 runners and one substitute. They include Swing, Hoppy and Pal, three-year old Siberian Huskies; Sergeant King and Tiger, three-year

old Malemutes, and Rocker Mac, Protura, Red, Link, Gypsy, and Whitey --- all one and a half-year old Male-

Responsible for the overall care and training of the team is 1st Lt. Edward A. Atwell, weapons controller from Staten Island, N. Y., who is assisted by two handlers, S/ sgt. James D. Caraway, Meridian, Miss., a supply specialist, and Vernon K. Crowe, Boulder, Colo., a Philo Corp. technical representative at the site. Also helping in the training is Alta Olin, Fort Yukon resident who originally comes from Huslia, Alaska, an area

famous for producing winning sled dog teams. He has had considerable experience in the field.

Because the Anchorage races will be run in three 25mile heats, the dogs are currently being run at least 15 miles daily. Additional training and experience will be gained when the team enters races in the Fort Yukon area during December and January.

Since the three 25-mile championship runs will require a large degree of endurance on the part of the driver, it was felt that a man of considerable physical strength and stamina was needed and that Sergeant Sut-

ton, also a supply specialist, capably filled these qualifications.

He is presently undergoing a training program which includes running several miles each day and working out on an exercise bicycle. Other than working with

unting dogs back in ive North Carolina, Sutton had never handled dogs before and stated that he was 'quite surprised" to find that there are only four commands given to a dog team. These are "hike," meaning "go", -"whoa," to stop - "gee" to turn right - and "haw", to turn left. Contrary to popular belief, the familiar "Mush huskies", of story and movie

fame is not used. Fort Yukon AFS got its start in dog sled racing back in January 1961 when Art Miser, the then local representative of Wien Alaska Airlines, was being transferred to a new assignment and donated his dogs and sled to the station. From this start of three grown Huskies and five one-week old pups, the men of the station formed the 709th AC&W Arctic Circle Kennel Club which at one time had as high as 33 dogs.

Teams from the station have participated in the local Fort Yukon Spring Festival Championships and in several

A Sabin Success Story

Everybody in Cherokee County who turned out

Approximately three-fourths of the people in this county took the Sabin vaccine.

Everyone who worked at the Stop Polio Stations turned in a fine job, and everything connected with the campaign worked with a clock-

like precision.

This week, Clay County announced plans for a Sabin vaccine program there, and we urge the people of Clay County to take advantage of the won. derful protection this vaccine offers.

One other thing: everyone should work to keep the enthusiasm high for this program in both counties. Three doses of the vaccine are necessary to give complete protection.

By all means, Cherokee County people who took the first dose should see that they get the next two. And Clay County people should start working

right now to convince everyone there to take the vaccine on each of the three dates to be set for their county.

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