

# Sports Review

By PORTER GRIGGS

## BASEBALL

Now that the baseball season is all set to begin fans are beginning to wonder what kind of teams Cherokee county is going to have this year.

Murphy high Bulldogs is looking like a team that will be hard to beat in scrimmage sessions. Brendle, and B. Lovinggood are especially looking good on the mound; Hughes and Brandon in the field and Bill Clark looks like the Babe Ruth of the outfit.

Marble was the first Cherokee county team to see action downing the Murphy Colored nine 6 to

4 last Sunday. M. Anderson, and Hughes looked good on the mound; R. Coffey was impressive in the field and G. Parker was the leading hitter. Marble should be the surprise of the Smoky Mountain league with a full house of last year's men returning.

Murphy Mountaineers haven't started practice yet but Manager David King said he expected to field a young fast ball club.

Manager Luke Ellis hasn't sent in one word about the Andrews nine but maybe he will before the season gets underway. The Andrews high Wildcats is all set to begin a season but will have to do it at least a couple of weeks

without a coach. Coach Wade Lunsford is in the hospital with an appendectomy.

## SOFTBALL

All business concerns interested in forming a softball league for this summer should let it be known by dropping a card to this corner. A meeting will have to be arranged so drop your card as soon as possible.

## BITS AND ENDS

The Murphy cage teams took to the hardwood again tonight (Thursday) against the All Stars. This time it was on donkeys so don't be surprised if the boys all get up sore Friday morning. Coach Dick Yow seems to have forgotten baseball and football and gone all out for fishing as he was seen on the river banks over the weekend.

# Murphy Battles Wildcats Friday

**MURPHY BATTLES**  
The Murphy Bulldogs will travel to Andrews Friday to battle Coach Wade Lunsford's Wildcats, and fans can expect to see a real game as rivalry is already cooking between the two schools. Coach Yow will take two full teams to Andrews and at 3 o'clock fans will again see the two great rivals in action.

Coach Dick Yow announced that his probable starting lineup will be: Hughes, ss; Brandon, 3b; Pendley, rf; Bill Clark, lf; Tom Lovinggood, 2b; Brendle, cf; Dockery, 1b; Hampton, c and Bill Lovinggood on the mound.

## Wildcat Schedule Is Announced

An eight-card baseball schedule has been announced for the Andrews Wildcats. The Wildcats will open with the Franklin Panthers April 7 at Franklin and close with Murphy May 14. All eight teams are members of the Western Conference, and Coach Wade Lunsford in his first year as coach of the Wildcats said the going will be tough but he believed Andrews would have a successful season.

The schedule is as follows:  
April 7, Franklin there  
April 9, Murphy here  
April 14, Franklin here  
April 16, Cullowhee there  
April 21, Murphy there  
April 23, Cullowhee here  
May 5, Murphy there  
May 14, Murphy here

## Mrs. Jas. Lail

Funeral services for Mrs. James Lail, 63, of Robbinsville who died Wednesday in a Murphy hospital following a short illness, were held Thursday afternoon at the Robbinsville Baptist church with the Rev. Ronald Holland officiating. Burial was in the Old Mother church cemetery at Robbinsville, with Townson funeral home in charge.

Surviving are the husband and two daughters by a former marriage.

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## A Team Tops B In Scrimmage Game

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Takin' their last whirl at rounding into shape before taking on Cullowhee here Wednesday afternoon and Andrews Friday the Murphy high Bulldogs went through a regular five inning game with the squad divided into A and B teams. The A team with Bill Lovinggood working on the mound took the B squad by a score of 6 to 0.

The A squad took an early lead by scoring five runs in the first inning and iced the game by scoring another in the third. The A's were lead at the plate by Basil Clark who collected 2 of their 4 hits.

Bill Lovinggood simply baffled the B team with his fast Curve Ball as he allowed no hits, struck out 11 and walked four. Brendle was on the mound for the B's and gave up four hits, but three errors was the difference.

A TEAM					
Box Score:	ab	r	h	e	
Hughes, ss	3	0	0	0	
Brandon, 3b	3	0	0	0	
Basil Clark, cf	3	2	2	0	
Bill Clark, lf	2	1	1	0	
F. Lovinggood, 2b	1	1	0	0	
Pendley, rf	2	1	1	0	
Dockery, 1b	2	1	0	0	
Gibson, c	2	0	0	0	
B. Lovinggood, p	2	0	0	0	
Total	20	6	4	0	

B TEAM					
	ab	r	h	e	
Alexander, rf	2	0	0	0	
Sherill, cf	2	0	0	0	
Horton, lf	1	0	0	0	
Barton, lf	1	0	0	0	
Kilpatrick, 3b	2	0	0	3	
Dewessee, ss	2	0	0	0	
Swain, 2b	2	0	0	0	
Hall, 1b	2	0	0	0	
Hampton, c	2	0	0	0	
Brendle, p	2	0	0	0	
Total	18	0	0	0	

B TEAM . . . . . 000 00 0 0 3  
A Team . . . . . 501 0x 4 6 0  
2 Base hit: Basil Clark; Stole  
Bases: Basil Clark, Pendley, Hughes, Alexander, Brendle, Dewessee, Wild Pitch: Lovinggood. Hit by Pitcher: Hughes; Winning pitcher: B. Lovinggood. Losing Pitcher: Brendle.

Tobacco accounted for 53.2 per cent, or \$334,250,000, of the State's cash farm income in 1944.

### Geo. G. Moore

George G. Moore, 63, of Blairsville, Ga., Route 2, died at a Murphy hospital Friday morning at 4:15 o'clock after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Bellview Methodist church with the Rev. Alfred Smith and the Rev. Colvin Thompson officiating. Burial was in Whitmore cemetery with Townson funeral home in charge. Masons had charge of graveside rites.

Surviving are the widow; five daughters, Mrs. Lee Clayton, Akron, Ohio, Mrs. Jack Eckstrom, Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Pearlie Crisp, Route 2 Murphy, Mrs. Jean Keener, Wakefield, Rt. 1., Mrs. Mary Jo Napello, Norfolk, Va.; three sons, Walter, Charlevoix, Mich., Willard and Newell, both of Oak Ridge, Oregon, and 19 grandchildren.

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