



## Officers Attend School

# City Police Force Beefed Up With Two-Way Radios

The Murphy City Police Department is getting a boost this week with the installation of two-way radio equipment, C. E. Johnson, Town Clerk, announced today.

"To facilitate the contacting of a police officer at all hours of the day and night and to improve the efficiency of policing the Town of Murphy, two-way radios are being installed in the police car, police station, fire station and the City Hall," Mr. Johnson said.

A night phone and radio transmitter will be maintained by a fireman on duty at the Murphy Fire Station from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. The night fireman will receive both police and fire calls during this period.

Mr. Johnson pointed out that with this modern equipment the frequency can be changed on the radios to tie in with the Cherokee County Rescue Squad in case of an emergency.

Officers of the Murphy Police Force recently attended a two day finger printing school held here in Murphy. The course was conducted by James Maxey, S. B. I. agent from Bryson City, who is assigned to this area.

"The Town of Murphy has up to date finger printing equipment," Mr. Johnson said, "and with this two day school our officers should be better prepared to solve crimes where fingerprints are obtainable."

Mr. Johnson also announced that James R. Grasty of the Peachtree section of Murphy has been added to the police department. Mr. Grasty was formerly employed by the Anderson Police Department. He attended Waynesville High School and served with the Navy in the South Pacific during World War II.

During his law enforcement career, Mr. Grasty was employed by the Waynesville Sheriff's Department, serving three years as Chief Deputy.

M. C. Brickey, who has been with the Murphy Police Department for the past eight months, has now been assigned parking meter attendant. He replaces Willard Bates, who has resigned to accept employment elsewhere.



James R. Grasty  
New Policeman



## Howell Enters Judgeship Race

WAYNESVILLE - James H. Howell, Jr., has formally announced his candidacy as one of the two judges of the new 30th Judicial District Court on the Democratic Party ticket.

Howell, who is now and for the past seven years has been Judge of Haywood County Recorder's Court, is the son of Colonel J. Harden Howell and Pearl M. Howell.

He was educated in Waynesville Township Schools and at the University of North Carolina. He has five years of active military service to his credit during World War II. During military service, he served as Trial Judge Advocate of Military Special Courts, as well as being an Infantry Officer.

He has practiced law in Waynesville for twenty years. His present tenure as Judge expires December 1, 1966.

Judge Howell has served eight years as U. S. Commissioner in Haywood County, three years as Haywood Service Officer, six years on the Haywood County Welfare Board and as Chairman of that Board.

He is a member of the Lions Club of Waynesville, a past Commander of the American Legion Post, a member of the Board of Stewards at the First Methodist Church, and has served as President of the Daniel Boone Council of the Boy Scouts and as Chairman of his local Boy Scout District.

He is married to the former Miriam Ficklen and has two children, Carey, a senior at Longwood College and Harden III, a senior at Waynesville Township High School.

## Medicare Meeting Scheduled Here

Personnel from the Asheville Social Security District Office will hold the following special Medicare registration days:

The meeting for Cherokee County will be held in the courthouse from 12 Noon until 6 p.m. on February 11, 1966.

The Clay County meeting will be held at the Hayesville High School on February 12, 1966, from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Several members of the Asheville district office staff will be at these places to take applications and to discuss the Medicare program. All persons age 65 or older are invited to take action now, if they have not already done so. Also,

# Teen-Ager Given Life In Kimsey Slaying

## Will Never Go To Prison, Youth Vows In Court

ATLANTA - Eighteen-year-old Eddie Wyatt Campbell Jr. was sentenced to life imprisonment Wednesday night, Jan. 19 after a Cobb County jury found him guilty of the July 27 murder of J. C. Kimsey, a Marietta service station operator.

Kimsey was a native of Clay County and a son of the late George and Effie Parsons Kimsey, a pioneer family of Clay County. A former resident of Murphy, he had resided in Atlanta for the past 15 years.

He was the father of Leon Kimsey, a U. S. Postal employee here in Murphy.

The slender youth vowed that he would never go to prison.

"Son I think you were mighty lucky to get the sentence you got - and look at me when you address me. Someday you're going to have to look at someone when you talk to them," the judge said.

The youth listened to the verdict of "guilty of murder with a recommendation for mercy" and to his sentence of life imprisonment without any outward show of emotion. During most of the

trial he seemed withdrawn - almost unconcerned.

As the jury filed back in at 10:15 p.m. Campbell turned to his mother who never left his side during the two day trial, and said "If they send me to prison I'll fight."

A bailiff who had to be in constant supervision of the youth in jail waiting for trial said Campbell told him that he wanted either to die or go free.

The frail teen-ager, with the appearance of a 12-year-old, kept his head in his arms on the table while his confession, taken by police the morning after the slaying of 58-year old J. C. Kimsey, was admitted as evidence.

Cobb County detective Harold Davis related Campbell's account of the slaying, which police had termed as "bloody and brutal."

He said he had gone to the gas station on U. S. 41 outside Marietta about 11 p.m. on July 26 and remained with Mr. Kimsey until 3 o'clock the next morning, helping the operator service cars and even sharing his supper, further evidence showed.

The officer said Campbell told him that as the victim was looking out a window, he picked up a gas nozzle and struck him - again and again.

He said he then dragged the body into a store room, robbed the station of \$290, and drove back to his home in College Park in 17 minutes. He showed the officers where he stopped briefly north of Atlanta to throw the weapon, a cup, some cans and the money drawer into the woods.

Campbell's court-appointed defense attorney, Sam Welch, offered no evidence to dispute the charge that Campbell committed the crime.

Mr. Welch attempted instead to show that the youth was insane, and as the case progressed the age-old conflict between legal and medical definitions of insanity took form.

Testimony showed that the youth has been admitted to Milledgeville State Hospital at least six times since 1959. He has been out open so many times to remove foreign objects he has swallowed, including nuts, bolts, bed springs, wire, bits of metal, that doctors are afraid to operate again to remove objects more recently swallowed.

Campbell has shot himself twice - once through a large artery near his heart. Dr. Edward E. Johnson, a Grady Hospital surgeon, said, "It was a miracle every time we saved his life."

A doctor who knows Campbell said that in his opinion Campbell does not know right from wrong. "He is a boy who has lived every minute of his life filled with hate and aggression."

"He has absolutely no conscience, no sense of remorse for anything he does. When faced with problems, he has no control over his actions."

"And in my opinion," the doctor continued, "Eddie Campbell is faced with problems every minute of his life."

Dr. Sanford Mathews, who like Dr. Johnson is not a psychiatrist, described Campbell

bell's problem as a "God given handicap."

"Eddie has looked at the world as one might look into a mirror in a fun house," the doctor said. "He sees only a distorted image."

Both doctors, testifying for the defense, said they had gone to great efforts to try to get extensive psychiatric care for Campbell over the past five years, to no avail.

Both said they had predicted the outcome of his life. Dr. Johnson said he predicted the boy would kill either himself or someone else.

"But did he know right from wrong at the time he bashed in the skull of J. C. Kimsey?" Sol. Gen. Luther Hames insisted (The knowledge of right and wrong constitutes the legal definition of insanity.)

Both doctors said they did not believe he did, and that if he did, he was not able to control his actions. They described young Campbell as a psychopathic - one who cannot conform to the rules of society, who has no emotional restraint.

Sol. Hames questioned two Milledgeville psychiatrists who had treated the defendant who said that in their opinion Campbell did know right from wrong.

Dr. Charles D. Craig of Milledgeville said, "With his kind of ailment you're not likely to see much progress. In my opinion it would be of no avail to send him back to Milledgeville."

In his final argument to the jury Mr. Hames said he had proven that Campbell was sane at the time of the killing.

"When are we going to quit listening to sickly sentimentality?" he asked. "I urge you to return a verdict that will be meaningful."

During a brief interview after the sentencing, Campbell renewed his vow not to go to prison. "The doctors told me I have only a short time to live - and I don't intend to die in Reidsville," he said.

"I swear to you here - and now - that I will kill myself. They can chain me to the bunk or whatever, but where there's a will there's a way."

The youth attacked the bailiff to whom he was handcuffed as court began after the noon recess Wednesday. He had to be dragged into court, sat hunched in the Cobb County sheriff's office, his thin wrists bound together by handcuffs.

## Most Drivers 'Winterize' But Few 'Winter-Wise'

WASHINGTON, D. C. - With traffic accidents and deaths reaching new highs almost every month, and with more motorists on the streets and highways, the individual motorist must accept greater personal responsibility for his own safety, says Quinn Tamm, Executive Director, International Association of Chiefs of Police.

"The police of our nation are doing a splendid job of enforcing traffic laws, but unfortunately there are not enough of them in most states and local communities," the police executive said. "Every driver, therefore, must accept the challenge to improve his own driving skills and set an example to others by obeying all traffic laws and supporting the police in their huge task of keeping the traffic law violators from killing themselves and others."

He pointed out that especially during the winter months, it is vitally important for motorists to accept the added responsibility of driving safely under adverse weather conditions.

"In addition to the normal dangers of driving that we encounter every day in the year, winter imposes two additional hazards - inadequate traction and reduced visibility. These can spell disaster to the unwary driver who fails to recognize them for what they are," Tamm pointed out.

"Most drivers winterize their cars, but too few 'winter - wise' their driving habits. When pavements are slippery and visibility is poor, the wise motorist reduces his speed accordingly, keeps a longer distance between his car and other traffic, approaches intersections with extra care, steers smoothly and brakes gently."

"Courtesy, common sense and extra care are the marks

of the responsible driver. He is the one most likely to get through winter's worst weather without an accident - or a traffic ticket," Tamm concluded.

## State Furnishing Sales Tax Tables

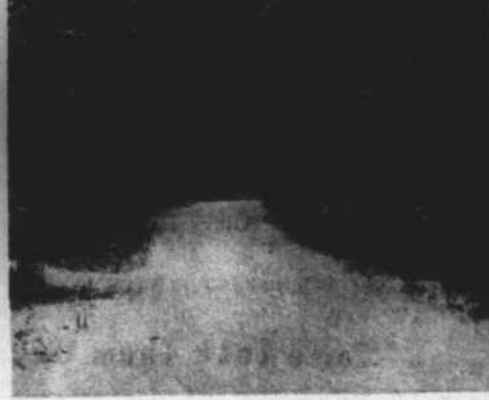
Taxpayers in North Carolina may use a state sales tax table as a guide-line when preparing their 1965 Federal Income Tax returns. For the first time since it was introduced in 1960, the table has been printed in the tax instructions which are mailed to taxpayers, District Director J. E. Wall of Internal Revenue said.

The table is based on a 1960-61 study of consumer spending patterns by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and shows the average amount of state sales tax paid by North Carolina residents. The table may be used by taxpayers who itemize their federal income tax deductions. Similar tables have been prepared for 39 other states and the District of Columbia.

The table omits the state sales tax on automobiles purchased. Taxpayers who purchase an automobile may add the sales taxes paid on the purchase to the amount shown in the table.

District Director J. E. Wall reminded taxpayers that they are not required to use the table. The table is furnished as a guide for the convenience of taxpayers who itemize deductions on their Federal Income Tax returns but who wish to use a "standard" amount for state sales tax which will not require detailed substantiation. Taxpayers have the choice, of course, of deducting the actual amount of state sales taxes paid.

## Snow Means Many Things: Some Trouble, Some Happiness



Scout Photos - Cook - Simonds

Snow came to Murphy twice in 4 days and as usual with different feelings for different ages.

Snow is trouble for some as shown in upper left photo when a car went out of control on the Andrews Road Saturday, just outside of Murphy. The car skidded about 100 yards, crossed into the left lane and into a ditch. Noone was injured.

In the lower left photo, the inevitable snow ball fight is a hearty pastime

for energetic youngsters. Mark Thompson and Jeff Dillard seem to enjoy battling it out.

For the older folks who enjoy the scenery, there is plenty to go around. The snow scene shot was made near the Hitchcock Mines.

And last but by no means least, a gigantic Snowman, which always seems to pop into children's minds first, was created in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kephart at 102 Beal Circle. The artistic youngsters are (l to r) Paul Beavers, and Wally, Elaine, Annette and Kathleen Kephart.