'Cherokee County's Best Seller'

# **George Worley Named Local Westco Manager**



George Worley

George Worley assumedhis duties as District Manager of Westco Telephone Company's Murphy office Monday. He replaces Gary McKelvey.

Westco President James Armstrong said McKelvey has been named commercial manager for Westco and West-

#### **Tractor Driver Hurt In Wreck**

Dewey Jones, 68, of Rt. 2, Culberson received severe head injuries last Wednesday when the tractor he was driving was hit by a car on US 64 about 12 miles west of Murphy. The scene of the accident was near the junction with Sunny Point Road.

Jones was traveling east when a car driven by Mrs. Margaret A. Rodgers, 67, of Maryville, Tenn. pulled out to pass the tractor and hit it, witnesss told Highway Patrolman Patt Miller.

Jones was thrown free of the tractor and landed about 18 feet from where the tractor stopped. He was taken to Copper Basin Hospital and was transferred later to Erlanger

Hospital in Chattanooga.

Mrs. Rodgers and the passengers in her car, her husband, J. H. Rogers, 68, and Mrs. Johnny Green, 70, of Alcoa, Tenn. were taken to Providence Hospital where they were treated and held for observation.

Miller said Mrs. Rodgers was charged with failing to slow sufficiently to avoid an accident.

ern Carolina Telephone Co. He will work out of the Weaverville office.

The Murphy office serves Cherokee, Clay and Graham

Worley worked for Westco for 12 years until February. Since then he has been self employed as a telephone central office contractor.

He is a native of Hayesville and a graduate of Hayesville High School and Young Harris College.

Worley is married to the former Miss Shirley Palmer of Hayesville. They have four children - Andy, Brenda, Teresa and Mike.

The Worleys are members of the Murphy First Baptist

## **Phone Repairs Being Made**

Westco Telephone Manager George Worley said today servicemen are calling at the homes of all subscribers of the Murphy exchange. Each service man has a letter of authorization.

Worley described the work as preventive maintenance. He said there will be no charges for the work

#### **School Holidays Are Announced**

The Andrews, Murphy and Cherokee County Schools will be closed next Thursday and Friday in observance of the

Thanksgiving holiday.
The Christmas vacation will begin at the close of classes on Tuesday, December 19. Sessions will resume on Tues-

#### **Corn Stolen**

An estimated 150 to 175 bushels of corn owned by Brown's Best Feeds were stolen from a boxcar at Ranger Siding on Tuesday, Nov-

W. T. Brown, Jr. estimated the value of the corn at \$250. Sheriff Claude Anderson is investigating the theft.



DEATH SCENE-The car in which John King of Andrews was killed last Thursday is shown in the field at the right. The truck involved in the wreck had been turned up, but the asphalt spilled from the vehicle covers the highway in the foreground. (Photo by Dave Bruce)

# **Andrews Man Killed In** Car-Truck Wreck On 19

John Akin King, 60, of Andrews died following a car-truck collision Thursday afternoon about three miles west of Andrews on US 19-

King was riding in a car driven by his brother-in-law, William Henry Taylor, 69, of Murphy.

Taylor was seriously injured in the wreck. He was reported improving at District Memorial Hospital. Highway Patrolman E. N. Hooper said the Taylor ve-

hicle, traveling east, struck a truck driven by Clint Burrell, 28, of Copperhill, Tenn. Burrell was not hurt. The truck, loaded with asp-

halt, was owned by Higdon Asphalt Co. of Andrews. The truck overturned, spill-

ing asphalt on the road. The Taylor car went down a steep bank and landed in a field. King was the eighth traffic fatality in Cherokee County

this year. His death was the seventh to occur within a half mile of the accident scene.

Four persons were killed within 30 feet of the scene on April 14, ending 473 days without a traffic death in the

On May 13, two persons died in a head-on collision about a half mile to the east. Funeral services for King were held at 3:30 p.m. Satand Olin Stratton. urday in the Andrews First

was a member. The Rev. Ben Bullard officiated. Burial was in the Valleytown Cemetery.

Methodist Church, of which he

Pallbearers were Burke and

Wood, Lee Nichols, Charles Freel, Harold Jones

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Dixie Taylor of Murphy; a brother, Vernon King of Columbia, S. C.: two nieces and two nephews.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### **Grover Mauney Is First In Contest**

Grover C. Mauney, Rt. 1, Murphy, took first place in this week's Football Contest, He picked 18 winners and came closest on the tie break-

er even though he picked the wrong team to win. The second and third place winners also had 18 right and had the wrong team on the tie breaker.

Penn State upset North Carolina State, 13-8, in our tie Mauney missed by five points with a 16-10 prediction in

favor of NC State,
Hoyt Brown, Rt. 2, Murphy, won second place with a
17-14 forecast on the tie breaker. Brown said the Wolfpack would win. He missed the overall score by 10 points.

James Nelson, Rt. 3, Hayesville, won third place with a 27-24 prediction on the tie breaker. He was off by 30

points Usually a contestant must have picked the winning team on the tie breaker but these were the only contestants with as few as six wrong and we had to base the outcome of the contest on total points since all three picked the wrong team. Don Gentry held on to his lead in the race for the grand prize - two tickets and \$25in expense money to see the Altanta Falcons tangle with the Chicago Bears on December

Here are the point standings for the grand prize: 

#### John Carringer Appointed To Fill Board Vacancy pointed John Carringer to Serve the remainder of Wally Town Clerk C.E. John Johnson said the townhas been using surplus funds to

Williams' term on the Board

Monday night. The seat had been vacant since June when Williams

resigned to move to Charlotte. W.A. Singleton made the

The Murphy Planning Board

agreed Monday night to defer

action on a request to change

the zoning of the Hilton St. area

A total of 28 residents of

the area signed a petition requesting the change so that

'When the present apart-

ments and apartment houses

cease to operate as such, no

apartments, apartment houses

or housing projects be per-mitted in the....area."

classification would bar future

construction of apartments

Ben Palmer, a property ow-

ner in the area, appeared before the board to oppose the

request. He desires to main-

tain the residential two classi-

property. I wish to go on re

cord as challenging this action," Palmer said.

"I'm just defending my own

A change in the zoning

residential two to

from residential one.

there.

fication.

**Owner Opposes Change** 

Town Clerk C.E. Johnson informed the Board that

new sources of revenue must be found by the beginning of the next fiscal year. He cited

### growing expenditures for the town while the tax rate has re-**Planning Board Defers Action On Petition:**

He emphasized that he was

appearing as a property owner

and was not speaking on be-half of the Murphy Housing

Authority, of which he is a

The petition was a revision

of one presented to the Town

Board and the Housing Author-

ity in September in which the

signers said they wished "to protest and resist" the possi-

ble construction of a public housing project in the neighborhood. The earlier

petition did not request a

The board approved

motion by Ed Manchester to

study the request and de-termine how many of the

signers are property owners

and what percentage of

property owners desire a

Cyrus White reported to the

Town Board on the Planning

completely eclipse last year's

total record letting of \$112,

500,000 by raising our total

zoning change.

change.

member.

Three street light requests were presented. The board agreed to survey the need for the new lights before acting.

The Board voted to approve four requests for refund of overpaid taxes. Mrs. Don Witherspoon,

cover the rising costs but he

expects the surpluses to be

The Board voted to author-

ize Town Attorney Herman Edwards to make a trip to At-

lanta to confer with Federal

officials on the proposed new

housing project for Murphy.

Edwards was asked to deter-

mine why the program is being

depleted soon.

delayed.

Mrs. Francis Bourne, Mrs. Herman Edwards and H.A. Mattox were reappointed to the library board. The Board accepted the recommendation of Miss Josephine Heighway on the appointments.

A salary increase for the Town Clerk was approved.



Sue Morrow

**Sue Morrow Named** 

named Editor and General Manager of The Andrews Journal this week by Publish-er Jack T. Owens. She

assumed her duties Monday.

Buncombe County. She gradu-

ated from Wayesville High

Mrs. Morrow is a native of

Sue Morrow was

**Journal Editor** 

## **Andrews-Murphy Road** To Be Resurfaced

Resurfacing of 11.17 miles of US 19-129 between Murphy and Andrews is included in a list of projects that the State Highway Commission will let

Division Engineer A.J. Hughes said the highway between the two towns will be resurfaced except for portions where the planned Appalachian Development Highway will follow exactly the same route as the present road.

A total of 39.13 miles of work is scheduled for Cherokee and Clay Counties in he December 12 letting. The SHC said 19 sections of secondary road

work includes grading, drain ing, basing and paving 0.4 mile of Disart Road and 1.6 miles of Old Ranger Road.

Bids are now being received on 96 projects involving 1,431 miles of work across the state. The estimated cost is \$40 million.

"This is the largest highway letting in the State's history in

# ber of projects, dollar volume and milage involved. It will

on December 12.

letting for 1967 to around \$140 million." Hunt said "we're proud of this record, but prouder still of what setting it will mean to the people of this State in terms of improved and new highways."

The sealed bids will be opened on two separate days, November 28 and December 12, to allow the contracting industry a better opportunity to prepare bids on the large

number of projects.

School and attended Western Carolina College. She is a former employee of the Cherokee Scout in Murphy, Citizens Bank and Trust Co.

and the Andrews City Schools. Her husband, Joseph C. Morrow, teaches vocational

agriculture at Andrews High

Editorial:

## A Common Goal

Lying west of the Balsam mountains in North Carolina is an area which has great potential but is suffering greatly from underdevelopment. This area includes the counties of Jackson, Macon, Swain, Graham, Cherokee and Clay. Jackson and Cherokee counties, at opposite ends of the area

have made some steps forward toward beginning to realize their possibilities, particular in the field of industrial development. Macon at one time seemed to be a beliweather in the field of economic development but for the last few years has

Two great obstacles stand in the way of this "land beyond the Balsams" moving forward as it should.

First, the mountain ranges which bisect and almost disect our area make it harder to travel and communicate between the areas. To attend a meeting in Piedmont North Carolina in a town 35 miles away is a matter of thirty or thirty-five minutes driving time. For a man in Franklin to attend a meeting in Hayesville or Bryson City it is a matter of an hour or hour and half driving time each way. It makes a difference, and it is harder to get people here together. In time, we can overcome these geographic obstacles by the building of better roads and perhaps some day a form of air travel will be the practical way of going from one of these communities to another. Admittedly the cost of road construction is high and it makes the job harder to accomplish, still in time, we can overcome these physical barriers. The second barrier between these communities which stands

in the way of their development is human made. It is the mountains of suspicison and jealousy which stand between them. Due to the geographic and economic barriers which confront us it is more essential that we put our shoulder to the task and push together. Since our physial problems are greater we should do all in our power to work together to overcome them. We should unite to see that highways are planned and built

to open up the entire area; that each county in this area has adequate hospital facilities; that we meet the challenge of developing some airports now that are located to first serve the area--we can develop others later; that we plan and develop so as to have the cheapest sources of power available for all the area; that we meet the problems of public health in a unified

the area; that we meet the problems of public health in a unified and organized way from an area standpoint.

Better communication and interchange of ideas is one of the vital factors necessary to bring this about.

In the last two months, a new force has moved into five-sixths of the counties of the area.

Communities Newspapers, Inc. with papers in five of the six counties, can serve as a unifying force. It can help in the problems of communication and serve as the media to help unite the great human resources of this area to work for common goals—goals which if we achieve them will help us all.

This is the goal of Community Newspapers, Inc. in South western North Carolina, or "The Land Beyond the Balsams"

# **Bulldogs Bow To Roberson** In Playoff Game, 27-6

By Red Schuyler

The Murphy High School Bulldogs lost to the T. C. Roberson Rams in the first round playoff game for the AA Western title. The final score was 27 to 6. The game was billed as a

defensive battle and started out that way with only one half, and that one coming 1:11 seconds before the end of the first quarter.
The Bulldogs won the toss

and elected to receive. Wayne boot at the Bulldog 17 and returned it to the 37 before being downed. On the first play from scrimmage, TCR was offsides and the Bulldogs took the penalty. Wells, in two runs, picked up two yards and on the next play Stevens found a hole in the TCR right side of the line and carried for 15 yards before being caught. This also gave the Bulldogs a first down on the TCR 41 yardline. The "Dogs" were able to move the ball only six yards in the next three punting situation. Scott's kick rolled into the end zone and

TCR put the ball in play at their 20 yard line.

Anthoney Rhodes, big 200 pound fullback, took the handoff from Q. B. Ronnie Israel and got to the line of scrimmage where the ball squirted out of his hands into the hands out of his hands into the hands of Ben Crisp and the Buildogs got the first big break of the game. In two stabs at the line, Kincaid could only pick up a yard. On the third play Wells picked up seven. With fourth and two on the TCR 10 yard line, Stiles the TCR 10 yard line, Stiles called on Stevens to pick up the first down. Stevens was stopped at the line of scrimmage and TCR this time took over on their ten yeard line, in ten plays, with Rhodes, Splawn, and Scott alternating carrying the ball and a 38 yard pass to Matthews for the final yardage, TCR put six points on the board, Wilson's kick for the extra point was

Mike Kephart took the next kickoff on his 14 yard line and returned it to the TRC 49 yard line. The TCR line stif-fened and forced the Bulldogs to once again call on Scott to kick it out. In nine plays and four first downs the TCR Rams were again knocking

on the Bulldog door for an-other score. Israel carrying on the keeper, let the ball get away from him and this time Trantham recovered for the Bulldogs on the Bulldog seven yard line. The Bullseven yard line. The Bull-dogs picked up two first downs before the attack bogged down and were forced to kick again. Scott's kick was taken by Wright on the TCR 35 yard line and returned eight yards before being downed. After picking up one first down, TCR was forced into their first and only kicking situation of the night, Ro-land's punt rolled out of bounds on the Bulldog 28 yard line,

The time was running out in the first half and after one incomplete pass Stiles, again going back to pass, got no protection and had to eat the ball for a 13 yard loss. Before Stiles could get off another play, time ran out but he officials were not alerted. and Stiles' pass was inter-cepted by Splawn who almost got into the end zone. He was stopped just two yards shy of a touchdown. the officials were not alerted

shy of a touchdown.

To start the second half,
TCR moved into pay dirt again
on 15 plays. The kick for the extra point was wide with 3:54 seconds remaining in the

3:54 seconds remaining in the third quarter.
Kephart, on the ensuing kick-off, made another 20 yard return before being downed on the Buildog 38 yard line. The Buildog offense could only pickup one first down before again having to give the ball over to TCR on the TCR 45 yard line. After one first down, the third quarter ended, Once again TCR threatened to score and in all probability would have, had not Roger Stiles intercepted a TCR pass and returned it to the Buildog

26 yard line.
The Bulldogs finally changed their strategy and instead of trying to go up the middle of the big TCR strong line where they could only get a yard or two, Stiles started filling the air with pass-es. The next nine plays were es. The next nine plays were passes. Seven were successful, and the last one covering 50 yards, after the Bulldogs took a fifteen year penalty for having an illegal man downfield on the preceding pass. The pass was intended for Stevens who was well covered at the goal line. Stevens bobbled the ball and kept it in the air just long enough for Thrasher to gather it in and cross over for the it in and cross over for the Bulldog touchdown. Stevens kick for the extra point was wide and he score was now 13 - 6 TCR with 5:38 seconds remaining. This was the turning point of the game, it was announced before the game, that if it ended in a tie score, the team getting the most yardage would be declar-ed the winner. The best the Bulldogs could hope to do in the remaining minutes would be to get another TD and an be to get another TD and an extra point to tie it up. At that time, it appeared that TCR was way ahead on yardage and to tie the game would be a defeat on yardage. On the next kickoff Calvin Splawn gathered the bell in his arms, started to go one way then changed his mind and went to his left down the sideline behind excellent blocking. The touchdown run covered 80

behind excellent blocking. The touchdown run covered 80 yards, it took exactly 12 seconds to complete the play. At this point the Buildogs were out of the game.

The TCR Rams were able to get another TD and extra point on the boards and the Buildogs had once again gone down in defeat in a playoff game. The game marked the end of high school football for 10 seniors: Gary Wilson, Maurice Kincaid, Roger Stiles, James Hembree, Earl Thrasher, Hoyt Roberson, Bob Dickey, Sammy Davis, Jarry Palmer and Bruce Little.



### **Paper Early** Next Week!

The Cherokee Scout and Clay county Progress will be published one day early next week due to the Thanksgiving

holiday.

The paper will go to press Tuesday afternoon and will be delivered to local subscribers

# Wildcats Whip Rosman, 27-7

The Andrews Wildcats de-feated Rosman, 27-7, in the opening round of the Class A football playoffs at Andrews Friday night.
Ronnie Bradley scored two touchdowns and kicked three

extra points for the Wild-Van Brown and Leslie Mc Kinney scored the other touch-

downs.

The Wildcats will face the winner of the Tryon-Bakers-ville game on Thanksgiving eekend. Coach Hugh Hamilcon told The Scout the exact date and site have not been



E.N. ALLEN of Rt. 1, Marble (left) receives a 12 gauge Winchester shotgun from Floyd Gibson of Gibson's IGA Foodliner in Andrews. The shotgun was the grand prize awarded in a drawing celebrating Gibson's 12th anniversary in the grocery business in Andrews. Allen had two entries in the drawing, he said he registered about six weeks before the drawing. (Photo by Weaver Carringer)