

Levi Leads Softball Association

Levi moved into first place in the Murphy Softball Association by routing previously unbeaten Clifton, 14-1, Tuesday night. The winners now have a 4-0 record.

Rimco and Texanna are unbeaten in three games each. They meet in the third game tonight (Thursday).

Rimco shutout American Thread, 10-8, and outslugged Hiwassee Dam, 11-8, in games during the past week.

Texanna edged Hiwassee Dam, 6-5, and walloped Westco, 17-4.

Clifton picked up its third win with a 16-6 game over State Highway.

Citizens Bank edged State Highway, 5-4, and rolled over Coble, 25-1.

The Independents routed Westco, 12-2, and shutout American Thread, 11-0.

Front running Levi walloped Easley, 20-2.

Coble picked up its first win by outslugging State Highway, 16-15.

In girls games, Hicks Gulf edged Clifton, 12-11, and Citizens Bank trimmed Texanna, 29-1.

Prior to the Rimco-Texanna game tonight, Easley plays Citizens Bank and Westco meets American Thread.

Friday night, the Independents play Hiwassee Dam, Clif-

ton tangles with Citizens Bank and Coble meets Easley.

State Highway meets Levi Monday. Clifton and Texanna play a girls game and Westco goes against Hiwassee Dam.

Tuesday night action includes Rimco and the Independents, Hicks Gulf and Levi in a girls game, and Texanna and American Thread.

Chief of Police Pete Stalcup pointed out that no parking signs have been posted on Conaheeta St. alongside the softball field. He said those who park cars there will be prosecuted.

Clay Projects

Are Approved

Three secondary road projects have been approved for Clay County, costing \$32,100 according to Commissioner W. Curtis Russ and Division Engineer A. J. Hughes.

The projects and the money allocated for them includes:

Construction--approaches to Bridge No. 26 on SR 1163, \$1,000.

Construct bridge on SR 1302 lower Sweetwater Road, \$7,100.

Paving SR 1161, Hothouse Road from US 64 to SR 1160, 1.2 miles, \$24,000.

Farm Land In County Decreases, Corn And Beef Production Up

The total number of farm land and the number of acres harvested in Cherokee County showed a decrease from 1966 to 1967, but there was a substantial increase in the number of acres of corn harvested and the number of beef cattle.

The figures are contained in the Preliminary 1968 County Commissioners Farm Census Summary compiled by the

North Carolina and U. S. Departments of Agriculture, Crop Reporting Service.

The number of persons living on farm tracts in the county declined one percent to 4,896 people. The number of persons living on farms and working 100 days or more in off-farm jobs increased from 1,101 to 1,228.

A total of 113,716 acres were

in farm land in 1967 compared to 115,275 in 1966.

Harvested cropland declined from 7,212 acres to 6,249.

Corn harvested for grain was the big gainer. Acreage increased from 2,756 to 3,378. Corn harvested for silage was up from 66 to 102. There were substantial declines in acres of tobacco and soybeans.

Beef cattle increased from 2,247 head to 3,315. Dairy cattle remained virtually unchanged, up to 991 from 988.

Five County Road Projects Approved

Five secondary road projects have been approved for Cherokee County, costing \$95,000, according to Commissioner W. Curtis Russ and Division Engineer A. J. Hughes.

The projects and money allocated for them includes:

Supplement -- construct road to Maltby Homesites near Marble, \$10,000.

Supplement -- paving secondary road 1502, Roberson Road from US 19 to SR 1505 1.8 miles, \$8,000.

Paving secondary road 1509 McClelland Road from SR 1507 to SR 1510, .4 mile, \$28,000.

Paving SR 1317, Oak Park Road from NC 294 to SR 1316 .6 mile, \$37,000.

Supplement -- regrading and base (at intervals) of SR 1303, Panther Top Road, 1.5 miles, \$12,000.

Two From Cherokee County

Receive NC State Degrees

RALEIGH -- Men from Murphy and Andrews joined hundreds of other graduating students from the Atlantic to the Appalachians, and beyond, at North Carolina State University's 1968 commencement ceremony Saturday morning.

Chancellor John T. Caldwell conferred degrees on 1,880 students who have completed their requirements since commencement a year ago at the annual ceremony.

Richard L. Waldroup Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Waldroup of Andrews, was one of 378 men and women awarded masters degrees for completing six years of demanding studies.

Thomas D. Adams, son of Mrs. Anna Lee Adams of Rt.

1, Murphy, won a bachelors degree in electrical engineering. He was one of almost 1,400 NCSU students receiving baccalaureates.

Waldroup and Adams also heard addresses of commendation and challenge by Governor Dan K. Moore and President William C. Friday.

Waldroup earned his masters degree in vocational industrial education, an increasingly important field in the effort to upgrade the skills of North Carolinians and to raise the per capita income of this State.

Adams will be entering a profession in which the United States faces a severe manpower shortage. The Soviet Union has been outproducing this nation by a ratio of four to one in engineering graduates in recent years.

Chancellor John T. Caldwell conferred the degrees on Waldroup, Adams and other men and women who constituted the largest commencement ever held at the land-grant University.

Applauding the students were thousands of relatives, friends and professors who filled the balconies in Reynolds Coliseum.

Deed Transfers

S. E. and Elsie Dockery to Geneva Dockery Donley property in Town of Murphy.

Ralph Berrong to Dorothy Sue Rose Berrong property in Town of Murphy.

J. W. and Oval Donley to Rex Sudderth property Cherokee County.

John Edwin and Janet Eller to Virginia Lyons Meierhands, property in Murphy.

J. W. and Lillian McDill to Howard and Joyce Allen property in Cherokee County.

Fred and Emma Gilbert to Mountain Land Co. of Ga. property in Cherokee County.

Myrtle Plemmons to Claude W. and Dorris E. Wheeler property in County

Children's Group Meets Monday

Eric Brady of the North Carolina Council On Mental Retardation will speak to the Cherokee County Association For Retarded Children Monday night.

The group will meet at 7:30 at the Murphy Power Board Building.



Will Entertain Lions Convention

The Carolina Sweethearts of Murphy, under the direction of Mrs. Bobbie Stalcup, assisted by Dan W. Angel, were recent winners at the Hubert Hayes Mountain Youth Jamboree, in the

senior clog division, held each year in Asheville. They will entertain June 6th in Gatlinburg, Tennessee at that state's 50th annual Lions Club Convention.

2 Receive Sentences In Federal Court

Active prison sentences were handed down Monday in U. S. District Court at Bryson City in two cases originating in Cherokee County.

Oscar McClure, 48, of Murphy, plead guilty to illegal possession of non-taxpaid whisky. He was sentenced to six months in prison by Judge Wilson Warlick. The Judge also directed that McClure be treated for alcoholism.

In a related case, Warlick directed a verdict of not guilty to a similar charge against

David Phillips of Murphy. Evidence tended to show that McClure had more than two gallons of moonshine in a hut owned by Phillips, but that Phillips knew nothing of the whisky.

Richard Lee Opasik, 20, of Indiana, received a three year sentence on a charge of taking a stolen car across a state line. Opasik is presently listed as a deserter from the U. S. Army. He was arrested in Cherokee County in April with a car that was stolen in Vincennes, Indiana.

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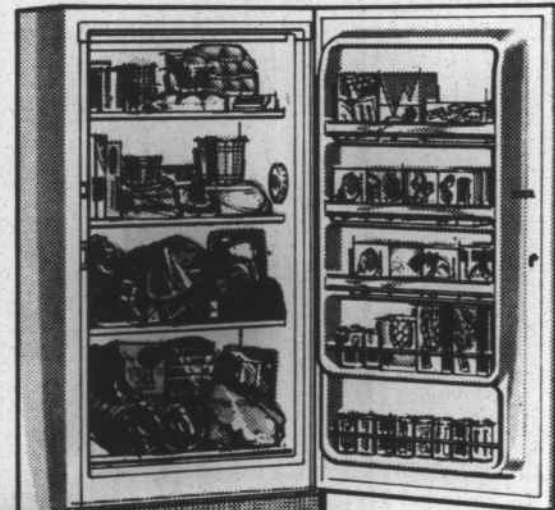
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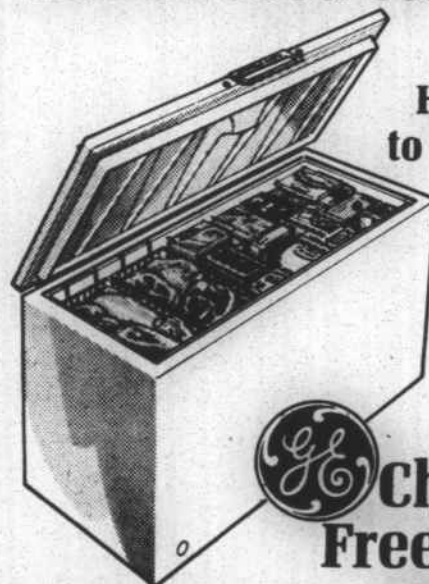
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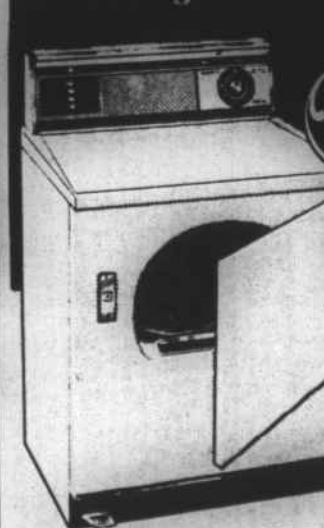
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