



### Murphy Dominates Softball Tournament

A scrappy band from Texana in Murphy held off a last ditch rally by their fellow townsmen Independents to win by a 5 to 4 score and capture the 1968 version of the Far West District Slowpitch Softball Championship in Robbinsville Saturday Night.

In all some twenty-one teams started the tournament all with visions of glory and the championship. Nineteen watched from the sidelines Saturday night as the tournament came to an end.

left field and when the ball skipped by John Powell both Morgan and Chastain scored sending the tournament down to one final game.

The Independents meanwhile were having a difficult time solving the slants of Texana hurler, Harry Pickens. They finally managed two runs in the last of the sixth when Weaver Carringer singled and Don Amos and Ron Chastain doubled.

Association will also provide assistance. Lion Club President Ed Dillard presented the large winners trophy to Texana and the runner-up trophy to the Independents.

### Champions

First place Texana team receives trophy from Ed Dillard, president of the Robbinsville Lions Club. From right to left they are Rob Allen, Ross Blackwell, Jason Blackwell, James Bush, and Maurice Kinkaid. Back row are Harry Pickens, John Powell, Eugene Cox, Ernest Sudderth, Bill Sudderth and manager J. C. Smith, receiving trophy.



### Runner-Up

Jack Thompson, manager of the second place Independents also of Murphy, receives a trophy after losing a close playoff game to Texana. Kneeling from left to right are Jerry Gladson, Hugh Carringer, Sonny Gladson and Lyle Carringer. Back row includes Jim Morgan, Ron Chastain, Weaver Carringer, Don Amos, Bill Coffee, Steve King, Don Chastain, and Blaine Stalcup. Presenting the award is Ed Dillard.

### Jaycees Need Help With Poverty Project

The Murphy Jaycees are extending help with their own "War on Poverty" project now in its second year. Jaycee President Curtis Hewlett said that the Jaycees have outgrown their present repair and storage space and are needing a donation of land on which they can erect a portable building.

employment and educational possibilities. Hewlett said that the Murphy Jaycee's problem now is a lack of space for repairing and storing all types of furniture, including stoves and refrigerators, that have been collected. Once they have "borrowed" a piece of land they intend to erect a portable building of at least 600 square feet.

With the memory of the earlier last inning loss freshly in their minds, the charges of Manager Jay Smith regrouped and retired the next two hitters to take the championship. The victory was immensely popular with the majority of the crowd of some 800 who viewed the final nights activities.

This loss forced the Contractors into a second game against the Independents and they were quickly routed 11 to 2 as the winners slammed out twenty-one hits including four for four by Bill Coffee.

Immediately after the tournament Manager Smith accepted the offer to represent the Far West District in the State Tournament in Eden, North Carolina. They played their first game Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. against Greensboro.

The 19 players chosen for the 1968 All-Star Team are listed below. They were chosen from all of the 21 participating teams.

### Providence Hospital Fully Accredited

Providence Hospital in Murphy has received a full rating by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, Sister Mary Francis Xavier, hospital administrator, announced Tuesday.

represents all hospitals in the United States. This Commission has a number of standards developed from years of experience and observation in surveying hospitals which have proven consistent with high quality and patient care.

by the Joint Commission. The Commission surveyed all the hospitals in Western North Carolina at the invitation of the State of Franklin Health Council and the individual hospitals. As a result of the survey other hospitals also received accreditation.

have previously been and are now fully accredited. During his survey, Dr. Weir observed that he was impressed with the gold mine of potentiality represented in the qualified personnel of the Providence Staff.

### \$28.7 Million Received By WNC From Appalachian Development

North Carolina Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. reported today that the Appalachian Regional Development Program has attracted \$68.6 million in facilities and services to Western North Carolina in the last three years. Of this total, Ervin said that \$28.7 million were Appalachian funds approved by the Federal Government for the 29 county area.

Memorial Hospital in Andrews was the largest, receiving \$271,668 of ARC funds toward a total cost of \$1,486,670. Tri-County Industrial School received \$47,200 of a \$70,671 total. The Andrews-Murphy Airport received \$39,350 toward the \$296,526 total, and ARC paid \$76,000 of a \$95,000 sewage treatment facility in Andrews. NDEA Title III educational program received \$2,785 for the entire county.

Particular interest has been placed under the program on highway construction and a total of \$26. million has been produced by the program for roads in Western North Carolina with the Appalachian Program funding \$14.7 million dollars of this total.

The Appalachian Program was praised by Senator Ervin as being "the only Federal program where the Federal Government and the State are co-equal partners. All of its programs were first recommended by the State of North Carolina officials after they decided their own State's needs and priorities."

Mr. John Jordan, Superintendent of Murphy City Schools, has announced that the 1968-69 school term will begin on Tuesday, August 27. This day will be for registration only. Buses will run for the half-day session, but lunch will not be served.

### Cherokee Man Murdered: Wife Charged In Shooting

Robert Allen, 50, a saw mill worker and father of five was shot to death in his home in the Liberty section of Cherokee County around 2:30 p.m. last Thursday, August 8th. Allen's wife, Merlyne, is charged with murder. She was released from Cherokee County jail in Murphy Saturday after posting \$5,000 bond.

several years ago, brought nation-wide attention by her diligence in trying to find a cure for her daughter's leukemia. The last several years Mrs. Allen has spent caring for her daughter, taking the girl to a Memphis Hospital sometimes once a week.

Power Interruption. On Sunday, August 18, electric service will be off in Pleasant Valley, Unaka and Hanging Dog areas of Cherokee County from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. so that TVA may make changes in a Murphy Substation.

Midget-Mite Football Practice Begins At Old Rock Gym Aug. 21. Max Blakemore, President of the Murphy Lions Club, announced today that the Lions Club would sponsor the Midget-Mite football program again this year.

Murphy Elementary. Mr. William N. Hughes, principal Mrs. Dair M. Shields, Mrs. Mary A. Miller, Mrs. Peggy C. Cabe, Mrs. Martha Hatchett, Mrs. Christine P. Ingle, Miss Elizabeth Hawkins, Mrs. Bertha Chambers, Mrs. Lena Thompson, Mrs. Ruby Hill, Mrs. Annie S. Brandon, Mrs. Beulah Sales, Mrs. Willie Lou Shields, Mrs. Annie Lou Rogers, Mrs. Jane Van Horn Hembree, Mrs. Mattie Lou Penland, Miss Emily Sword, Mrs. Brenda Hendrix, Mrs. Marie Hendrix, Miss Ella Faye Byers, Mrs. Pearl Woodard, Mrs. Ruby Kate Watson, Mrs. Jane H. Reynolds, Mr. Melvin Payne, Mr. Marvin Hampton, Mrs. Ruth L. Wilson, Mrs. Margaret Gibbs, Mr. Robert Hendrix, Mrs. Edna Whitley, Mrs. Olive Williams, Miss Leila Hayes, Mrs. Margaret Bruce.

### Murphy Schools To Open August 27

Teachers will begin work on Monday, August 26, beginning with a general faculty meeting at the Murphy Elementary School lunch room at 9:00 a.m. Registration is on the 27th, with the first of the 180 school days beginning the next day, August 28th.

At the high school the lunch and insurance fees are the same as the elementary school. All books are free at both schools. Additional fees at the high school include a \$1 general fee, \$2 a semester for Agriculture fee, \$3 a semester for Home Economics, distributive education is \$2.50 a year and the typing fee is \$5 a semester.

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Dr. William A. Hoover, president of the staff; Dr. Bryan W. Whitfield, Dr. Helen Wells, and Dr. Walter Mauney. In an interview with Sister Xavier and Hans Beerkins, a spokesman for the hospital and member of the Board of Directors of the State of Franklin Health Council, some of the problems of obtaining accreditation for a small hospital were discussed. Sister Xavier emphasized that "quality of care is emphasized in accreditation more than anything else."

### Post Mortem To Be Performed On Murder Victim

The body of Henry A. Dotson, the victim of a shooting last December, will be exhumed around the first of September for a post mortem examination. Mrs. Oma Styles Dotson, wife of the victim, said that private investigators recommended that a post mortem be performed in order to determine more exactly the angle which Dotson was shot.

Murphy High School: Mr. John A. Thompson, Principal, Mr. Winston Craig, Mr. Jerry Randall George, Mrs. Velma Burch, Mrs. Patsy J.

Appointed To Extension Staff. Miss Patsy Thompson has been appointed to the Cherokee County Agricultural Extension staff. She will succeed Mrs. Joy Passmore in the Home Economics position, effective August 15.

