

**Badin Baseball League**

*Standing of the Clubs, May 21, 1919*

	P.	W.	L.	P. C.
Offices	4	3	1	750
Construction and Merchants	4	3	1	750
Electrodes	4	2	2	500
Big 4	4	0	4	000

Thus far, the Offices and Construction Teams are dividing honors. They began with more seasoned material than the other two, and have managed to maintain their advantage; but have had to fight for it continually.

The spirit of good-natured rivalry that has characterized the games has done much to keep up interest and attendance. The umpiring has been of a satisfactory order, and perfectly fair, so that kicking on decisions has been reduced to a minimum.

Following is a short detail of the games played to date.

April 23—Electrodes vs. Big Four

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
10 6 4	0 3 4

Batteries: Liles and Lee; Sullivan, Hill, and Belk.

April 25—Construction vs. Offices

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
2 8 0	1 5 2

Batteries: Ritchie and Cotton; York and Rees.

May 2—Offices vs. Big Four

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
4 9 0	0 1 4

Batteries: York and Rees; Hill and Belk.

May 5—Electrodes vs. Construction

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
7 3 6	9 6 7

Batteries: Liles and Lee; Ritchie and Cotton.

May 7—Electrodes vs. Offices

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
3 2 10	9 14 6

Batteries: Liles and Lee; York, Arnette, and Rees.

May 9—Construction vs. Big Four

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
9 4 4	3 5 10

Batteries: Garrison and Cotton; Hill and Belk.

May 14—Electrodes vs. Big Four

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
11 10 2	3 5 4

Batteries: Liles and Lee; Hill and Day.

May 15—Offices vs. Construction

R. H. E.	R. H. E.
10 16 5	6 10 4

Batteries: York and Rees; Ritchie, E. Kearns, and Cotton.

Individual batting averages, 250 or better, by players who have participated in two or more games.

Rees	O	571
Smith	O	500
Green	E	500
Ritchie	C	500
Wake	O	466
Kearns, E.	C	385
Arnette	O	385
York	O	385
Ross	E	385
Klutz	E	363
Hatley	O	357
Agle	B. F.	333
Vann	C	333
Cotton	C	333
Lee	E	307
Saunders	E	285
Hill	B. F.	272
Kearns, J.	C	266
Moore	O	250
Dry	B. F.	250

Pitchers' records, two or more games.

	H.	R.	W.	L.	P. C.
York	O	21	11	3	1 750
Ritchie	C	20	22	2	1 666
Liles	E	24	21	2	2 500
Hill	B. F.	33	30	0	4 000

The Badin team has played three games, winning one and losing two.

The first was with Salisbury, on the Badin field, May 3. Ritchie pitched a masterly game, and should have had a shut-out, errors being responsible for the runs.

The Score:

	R. H. E.
Badin	4 8 5
Salisbury	3 2 4

Batteries: Ritchie and Rees; Keith and Brady.

The second was on the Badin field, May 10. Badin outhit Albemarle, but did not hit opportunely, and their fielding was extremely ragged.

Liles started out for Badin, but after a combination of hits and errors was replaced by York in the third inning. The same brand of fielding continued, and Albemarle made eight runs from a total of seven hits.

	R. H. E.
Badin	2 9 8
Albemarle	8 7 5

Batteries: Liles, York, and Rees; Efird and Boyer.

The third game was played at Spencer, May 17. Badin sent a delegation of about fifty to cheer the boys, but there

wasn't much cheering done, for Keith was invincible.

Badin's two runs came in the ninth inning, when Stratton drew a pass, Efird advanced him to second, Rees singled past third, and Wake drove a high fly to right which the fielder wasn't able to hold. Stratton and Rees scored on the fly.

	R. H. E.
Badin	2 6 2
Spencer	6 10 2

Batteries: Efird and Rees; Keith and Canealison.

These games will be played on the dates scheduled, unless rained out. No postponements will be made for one team's convenience.

June 4—Carbon Plant vs. Office.

June 6—Business Men vs. Carbon Plant.

June 11—Business Men vs. Office.

June 13—Carbon Plant vs. Aluminum Plant.

June 14—Saturday—Two Leaders.

June 18—Aluminum Plant vs. Business Men.

June 20—Carbon Plant vs. Office.

June 25—Aluminum Plant vs. Office.

June 27—Business Men vs. Carbon Plant.

July 9—Business Men vs. Office.

**The Home Duty**

A preacher sends this one, without vouching for its accuracy:

Isaac had been drafted, and sent to France.

Jacob, his partner, distracted, had begged Isaac to cable when he got over.

Three weeks elapsed. No cable.

Jacob cabled: "Isaac! Woe is us! Our factory burned down ten days ago. Settled with insurance company for \$60,000. Why don't you cable?"

Three weeks more. No reply.

Jacob cabled again: "Isaac! Woe is us! Our storage warehouse burned down last week. Total loss. Settled for \$75,000. I am nearly crazy from grief. Why don't you cable? Are you dead?"

Three weeks more. No reply.

Jacob cables again: "Isaac! Woe is us! Our main office burned last week. Settled insurance for \$90,000. I will die if you don't cable. Haven't heard from you at all. Where are you? Are you alive?"

Answer comes next day:

"Jacob, stop that nonsense—spending all our money for cables! I'm all right. You just keep the home fires burning!"

—Epworth Herald.