

## High School Baseball

### Team Shows Promise

The Badin High School baseball team played its first game of the Fall season on Friday, September 24, when it met the team from the Albemarle High School on the diamond at Tallassee Park. The Badin boys played the better fielding game, but Albemarle hit the ball.

Burns pitched a strong game for Badin High School, allowing but five hits in seven innings. Hatley, for the visitors, improved as the game progressed. Poor fielding behind him gave Badin enough runs to win, the score being five to four. Arthur and Mabry made some nice plays for the local boys.

The local support of the school pupils and the townspeople helped the Badin team, as a large crowd was on hand to encourage them. The material for a good, fast team is in the school this year, and indications are that Badin High will have a winning team on the field next spring.

In the second game of the series, Badin journeyed to Albemarle, and won from the high school team in another close game, the score being three to two. Badin presented practically the same line-up as in the preceding game, with Burns pitching even better than before. The Badin boys scored three big runs in the first inning, while Burns struck out the first three Albemarle boys in their half of the opening inning.

Albemarle played an improved and better game, as Hatley pitched great ball, striking out fifteen batters. The game was a pitchers' battle. Again Badin played better ball in the pinches. Long, playing second for Albemarle, led in the hitting, and he made the third out in the last inning when he attempted to steal home with the tying run.

Albemarle High won a five-inning game from Badin High on Monday, October 4, when the two teams met on Tallassee diamond. Burns was hit hard, the Albemarle boys reaching him for nine hits, three of them being for extra bases. The score was five to four in the fifth inning, when Hatley, the star of the Albemarle nine, hit one of Burns' fast ones and drove it to center field for three bases, chasing two of his team mates across the plate. He scored a minute later on a single by Carter. The Badin batters rallied in their half of the fifth, but Hatley fanned Swagerty with three men waiting to score.



MIDGETS, 1920—SOME FUTURE DIAMOND STARS

On Thursday afternoon, the high school team from Mount Gilead played the Badin team on Tallassee diamond, and won a free-hitting game by the score of ten to five. Mount Gilead presented a strong line-up, and their hitting was the best seen thus far in high school games. Skinner and Haywood each collected three hits off of Mabry, who pitched his first game for Badin High.

Although Mount Gilead scored four runs in the second inning, the home players kept plugging along, and in the sixth inning the score was six to four. This display of fighting spirit is mighty encouraging, and speaks well for the team's work next Spring. Badin High shows improvement in each game and, if the weather permits more fall practice, the team will be well on its way to a successful season before basket-ball practice begins.

Mabry and E. Arthur found De Berry's pitching much to their liking, and hit him hard. Mabry got three out of five, one being a circuit smash. Arthur got two safe blows for two bases, his other trips to the plate resulting in hard chances for the outfielders. The Badin infield played another fine game, but the outfield made some bad errors again. Still, the outlook is encouraging, and Badin High will be on the baseball map for sure next season.

Molasses in January may be slow, but a candy sale on Hallowe'en isn't anything like that, as the Methodist Ladies' Aid society can tell.

### Badin Enterprise

It seems that one of the "canning stations" under promotion in North Carolina is located at the new town of Badin, a populous and thrifty center where five years ago there was nothing but woods and open field in sight. That the promoters of the Badin Canning Club were alert to their opportunities is indicated by the report just published. *The Badin Tribune* says that during the past season "more than 4,700 quarts of fruits, vegetables, jellies, and jams were put up," and it is enthusiastic in expression of pride in the Badin record, as it has cause to be. The report of operations at Badin may be taken as typical of what was done throughout every county in North Carolina during the fruit and vegetable season just closed. The glass jar and the tin can are bringing an enormous volume of prosperity to the State. The people everywhere have turned to salvaging that which was formerly permitted to go to waste. The inspiration of the community and county fairs being held in all parts of the State is displayed in the departments of household economies and domestic science, and in which the canned article is king. The North Carolina women and their girls, working in the home cannery, are doing a great work for themselves and the State. The co-operative results of the workers in the corn, pig, and canning clubs is something of prideful contemplation by the entire State.—*The Charlotte Observer*.