

PLANT SOFTBALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

In the first game played in the newly-formed plant softball league the "C" Shift Cellophane team edged the Main Office team by 16 to 15. The game was played on the Camp Straus field Thursday, May 21, at 5:00 P. M.

At present the softball league is composed of six men's teams and two women's teams. However, Hugh Bradburn, the league president, expects at least eight additional teams to enter in competition for the 1953 season championship.

The league was organized several weeks ago when the Employee Activities Committee voted to discontinue interdepartmental baseball due to a lack of interest and, in its stead, try softball on a very amateurish basis. A league president, Hugh

Bradburn, was elected and he in turn appointed four directors to help coordinate the league's activities. The four directors are: W. F. Huffman, Wilson Gregory, Mitchell Taylor and David Sams.

Elsewhere on the page are the rules for the softball league. It may be easily seen that there is no formality whatsoever about the league and it is set up so that any and all employees may participate on a strictly volunteer basis.

Playing in the softball league can be a lot of fun and will not interfere with employee's work schedule. It is hoped that at least 15 men's teams and six women's teams will be organized and participating in league play by June 15.

RULES FOR DEPARTMENTAL LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Rule No. 1. Any employee is eligible to play.

Rule No. 2 There will be no limit to the number of games a team may play.

Rule No. 3 There will be no limit to the numbers of runs a team may make.

Rule No. 4 There will be no official closing date as long as teams are challenging each other. The board of directors may declare the season closed when they feel it necessary.

Rule No. 5 Games may be played at any time the managers can get their teams together.

Rule No. 6 The challenge received first by the president of the league or the athletic manager will have first priority to the ball field and equipment, etc.

Rule No. 7 The first team organized will be the top team and so on. This will be determined by the date they are listed with the president of the league.

Rule No. 8 There will be no official schedule.

Rule No. 9 The ladder system will be used. This ladder is to be placed at the two cafeterias and two gates houses and standings kept up to date. The keeping up to date will be the responsibility of the athletic office.

Rule No. 10 If a team challenges another team and wins the game, that team will move from his present position to the position occupied by the team he beats. The team he beats will move down one rung and all the teams above the winner will move down also.

Rule No. 11 Any team may challenge any other team, at any time they choose to. If a team is challenged and say they cannot play at the time challenged, the two managers should try to agree on a suitable date. If then they cannot get a date set, the two managers will submit a date to the board of directors. If these dates are not the same and neither can be decided on, the board will then set another date and notify the man-

agers of each team as to which date was set. If for some reason one of the teams fails to show up, the game will be given to the team present by the score of 9 to 0 and that team will move into the position of the absent team, provided the position is higher than the one they are in before game time. If neither team shows up, the challenge will be cancelled and there will be no change in standing.

Rule No. 12 Teams do not have to be from any specific department or shift. Anyone who wishes to enter a team may do so. It will not be a violation to have a complete team from a shift or department.

Rule No. 14 If a team folds up during the season, a complete list of all available players on that team will be given to the board of directors.

Rule No. 15 If for some reason a player wants to change from one team to another, he must first get the approval of both managers concerned. If he is unable to do this he will not be permitted to change. If he does get the managers' approval, he will then present his case to the board of directors. If they approve he may change. If they do not, he may not change.

Rule No. 16 A player will be permitted to play with one team only.

Rule No. 17 No one will be allowed to pitch softball who has ever pitched softball in a game before opening day of the season. This will have to be decided upon the word of the pitcher concerned, and anyone who might have evidence that he had pitched softball before. Should a pitcher pitch a game and it later be found that this person had formerly pitched softball, the win will be awarded to the other team regardless of the outcome of the game.

Rule No. 18 Selection of umpires will be left up to the discretion of the two team managers. Normally, there would be two umpires—one selected from each team.