

INTRAMURAL LEAGUE DIVID-ED INTO TWO CONFERENCES

The Intramural Softball League has been divided into two conferences. The old eight team league has been divided into the National, and American League.

A playoff will be held at the close of the season between the leaders of the two conferences to determine the champions of the Intramural Softball League.

Below is the Softball schedule:

National League

Cooks vs Whits	April 23
Hanks vs Sluggers	April 25
Sluggers vs Cooks	April 27
Whits vs Hanks	May 1

American League

Monks vs Grins	April 24
Greys vs Lions	April 26
Lions vs Monks	April 30
Grins vs Greys	May 2

May 3, 4, 5 will be used for make-up days for games called off. May 7 will be CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFF WEEK with the winner taking the best three out of five games.

The above schedule was made up by the head commissioner, Oscar Blakley; National League Commissioner, Robert Reid; and American League Commissioner, Darius Brown.

HANKS and GRINS ARE FAVORITES IN SOFTBALL LEAGUES

The Hanks of Paul Williams and the Grins of Ephriam Green are favorites to win their League titles. In the American League, the Grins are heavy favorites to go all the way with little opposition. With terrific batting power and an adequate defensive team, the Grins can't miss the play-off.

Over in the National League, it's a different story. The slick fielding Hanks will be hard pressed by the Cooks, Sluggers, and Whits. Hard pitching Samuel Billups gives them the favorite role. Breathing down their neck will be the Sluggers, Cooks and Whits.

Below is my prediction of the standing when the last ball is tossed at the close of the season:

National League: 1st—Hanks; 2nd—Sluggers; 3rd—Cooks; 4th—Whits.
American League: 1st—Grins; 2nd—Lions; 3rd—Greys; 4th—Monks.

In the playoff for the intramural championship, it will be the Hanks winning three out of five.

LIBRARY EXHIBITS FRENCH PAINTINGS

Paintings by French children between the ages of 9 and 13 were exhibited in the College Library recently.

These remarkable paintings have been produced according to a unique technique, in that they are known as collective paintings executed by as many as 80 boys and girls.

One of the advantages of the collective method as explained by the French instructors is that it enriches the child's aesthetic appreciation and at the same time gives him a lesson in social education. Working in this way, the child learns quickly to be selective in his own expression, to discipline his ideas and to respect the efforts of others.

A large number of people from the community viewed the exhibition.

INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL BEGINS

Spring is here, and that means another red hot softball season has begun. The boys are ready to go, and it looks like the best season yet. Teams were chosen Thursday, April 5, and they have shaped up like a tight eight team race. If you want to go along with a winner, you had better not pick anybody in this league, because anything can happen, and usually does.

Let's all hope the rainy weather stays away so we can go out and root for our favorites. It's lots of fun.

Oscar Blakley, senior honor student and president of Beta Zeta Chapter of Alpha fraternity, will run the softball intramural program, along with Darius Brown, also senior and honor student. This is the first time that students have run the program entirely. Brown, who is from Wilmington, Delaware, and Blakley, a product of Clifton Forge, Virginia, have both completed their practice teaching.

—R. Branch

BAD WEATHER HALTS SPRING DRILLS

Rainy weather, and other conflicts cut short the first spring drills more than the Pirates have known in a number of years. Ending the practice on March 27, Coach White drilled his team only five days. Most of the time was spent experimenting on a split line. All of the players seemed improved from last year.

ELIZABETH CITY DENIED ENTRANCE INTO CIAA

Failed to get two-thirds majority vote Elizabeth City State Teachers College was denied admission to the CIAA by its failure to get a two-thirds majority vote from the member schools.

Other important highlights were the resigning of West Virginia State from the CIAA, and the raising of grid squads to 40 men.

TEXAS SOUTHERN LOSES NAIA FINALS

Texas Southern University proved itself the best second best small college quintet by reaching the finals of the NAIA, which it lost to McNeese State College of Lake Charles 60-55.

This marked the second time that Tenn. was in the Kansas meet. Other tan quintet in the Kansas City meet were Tenn. State and Central. This was Tenn. State's fourth time in the playoff; Texas Southern's second, and Central State's initial appearance.

McNeese who wanted a guarantee from the NAIA executive board that it would not be forced to meet schools with Negro players in the tournament had to play all three. All three advanced beyond the second round, and to take the title, McNeese had to down Tenn. State 78-68, in the quarter finals, and Central State, 87-74 in the second round before topping Texas Southern for the title.

Good manners may in Seven words be found:
Forget Yourself and think of Those Around.

—Guiteramn

SPORT TALK

It looks as if the Elizabeth City State Teachers College Pirates will be playing independent ball this fall. They are planning to drop out of the EIAC which they have been dominating for years. Their failure to get in the CIAA will leave them independent like many other teams in the country.

If Elizabeth City does drop out of the EIAC, the Norfolk State Spartans will be favorites to take the football title, and heavy favorites to win the basketball title and tournament.

The Pirates have dropped South Carolina State and Morrystown from their football schedule and have added two CIAA oponents, Johnson C. Smith and Virginia Union. St. Paul also was dropped, and a possible game with Kentucky State has been mentioned. These three games would give the Pirates the toughest schedule they have ever faced.

1954 saw the Pirates recruit one of their finest crops of freshmen. If Coach White can get men with the ability of Stallings, Morgan, Hemby, Branch, Moody and Williams this fall, the Pirates will have another great season.

—R. Branch

ALABAMA A. and M. PREPARES FOR CLA MEETING

NORMAL, ALA.—Historic Alabama A. and M. College will be the seat of the sixteenth Annual Convention of The College Language Association, the professional organization of language specialists in institutions throughout the South and East.

Ralph H. Lee, registrar of the Alabama institution and chairman of the Host Committee, has announced April 27th and 28th as the meeting dates, with preliminary committee work scheduled for April 20th.

The Convention lists a full calendar of general and special events of interest to teachers of English and of the languages and to the general public. Presentations by CLA members and by invited language specialists are features of the two-day meeting.

The Conference agenda is under the general supervision of Dr. Crawford B. Lindsey, head of the Department of English at Tennessee A. and I. State University and CLA president. Mrs. Billie J. Thomas, Association vice-president, who is a faculty associate at Spelman College, heads the Program Committee.

Founded by Dr. Hugh M. Gloster, now head of the Communications Center at Hampton Institute, the College Language Association is one of the few professional organizations open to Southern language teachers on a non-racial basis.

HOLD FAST YOUR DREAMS

Within your heart
Keep one, still secret spot
Where dreams may go,
And sheltered so,
May thrive and grow—
Where doubt and fear are not.
Oh, keep a place apart
Within your heart,
For little dreams to go.

—Louise Driscoll

HILL'S QUARTERBACKING IMPROVING

Orlando Hill, after one full season of college football, has shown much improvement as Quarterback on the Elizabeth City team. Hill, a graduate of P. S. Jones High School of Washington, N. C., was also on his high school's track and basketball teams. Hill, who made the Dean's list the second quarter, mastered the team like an experienced veteran during the spring drills. His passing was deadly. If he continues to improve, he definitely will be a star on Pirate teams of the future.

GRINS WHIP COOK 18-13 First Game Of The Season Is Sluggest

The first game of the intramural softball season saw the "Grins" of Ephriam Green outslug the "Cooks" of Raymond Williams 18-13 on the S.T.C. Athletic Field Monday evening April 9. Ephriam Green who replaced Irvin Gordy in the second inning was the winning pitcher. Richard Branch, who went the route for the "Cooks", was the loser.

Many errors were made by both teams, and the slippery grass made fielding and running difficult. The "Grins" took the lead early on power hitting by Ronald Hubbard, Henry Fields, Al Baker, and Irvin Gordy. Raced by the hitting of Bob Moody, "S k e e" Miller, "Cookie" Williams, "Critic" Hines, and "Dick" Branch, the "Cooks" bounced back to the lead in the second frame.

The lead changed hands several times until the "Grins" opened up with a big barrage of hits in the top of the fifth.

Calling the game behind the plate was Alton Bobbit. On third base calling the plays was "Joe Loco" Reed, and down the line on first was "Whit" Whitaker.

—R. Branch

SPORTSMANSHIP SHOULD BE OBSERVED

The Commissioner of Softball is asking that all players and spectators show sportsmanship on and off the softball diamond. A few incidents have arisen to force the Commissioner to enact a rule which will put any player out of the game whose conduct on the playing field does not benefit a sportsman. Officials are appointed by the Commissioners with favoritism towards none.

Let us all take victory and defeat in stride and make this the best season yet, for the Leagues are for everyone's pleasure.

MASS MEETING FOR WHOM?

If Miss S.T.C. is elected by the student body in a mass meeting, we, the Elizabeth City Day Students, would like to ask these questions: Who are those who constitute the mass? How are they notified as to time, place and date of meetings?

The meeting to elect Miss S.T.C. is not only one of which we as day students have not been notified. As students who are important in the life of the College, we seek information as to how this can happen in a democratic institution. Notification on matters that call for majority vote and on matters that should come to the attention of the whole College Family is all we ask.