

Dixie Parker Studying Contracts And Players' Records

Selection Of Players Proving Big Problem

Pitchers - Catchers Are Expected Here Over the Week-end

Training On Limited Scale To Get Underway Here Next Tuesday

Averaging nearly 400 miles a day for two days, Dixie Parker, the Martins' new skipper, drove his little pick-up truck into town late Wednesday, a bit tired, to be sure, but safe along with his two cats, bird dog and groundskeeper. A third cat, enjoying a short stop along the highway, expressed its preference and turned back to Green Pond, down in Alabama. "The last time I saw him he was making about 30 miles an hour over the hill in the direction of home," the skipper said, adding that he did not mind losing the cat, but that he did not want to tell his wife about it.

Delving into the 1940 player contracts, Parker readily realized he had a problem on his hands, and up until today the problem has not yet been solved. There are more than 30 players on the string, the skipper explaining that the classification ruling would eliminate quite a few of them, but the ruling doesn't say which ones to let go and which ones to keep, and "that's the problem." "We hope to have a pretty definite line-up by the early part or middle of next week," the skipper explained.

Six pitchers, all of them rookies, and four catchers, rookies also, are

Still Looking For That Ninth Umpire In League

Unofficial reports state that Ray H. Goodmon, president of the Coastal Plain circuit, is still looking for a ninth umpire. Declaring it is really more difficult to get good umpires than it is to get players, the league head states that a ninth umpire contract is due in his office next Monday. The name was not disclosed.

scheduled to report for training next Wednesday. Several of them are expected in over the week-end. The main training season is slated to open on April 9, Parker pointing out that he felt certain he could whip his team into shape for the opening on April 25 and even before, if necessary.

Resting up from his long jaunt up the country, Parker left for a player search in and around the Bi-State territory today and to complete some player trades. He plans to return late tomorrow or Sunday and be ready for starting the season grind Monday.

It is apparent that the skipper is not rushing into the 1940 schedule. Each act is considered at length and all the evidence offered by the records is being carefully weighed before definite action is taken in signing or releasing a player. It is also apparent that the new skipper is already worrying along with President Lilley in handling the assignment resulting from the new classification ruling. "We hardly know what to do, but we are out to build up a winning team if we can, and while our decisions may not be considered the best at the start, we are hopeful they will stand up under the tests," Parker added.

MANAGER PARKER REPORTS



Riding a warm wave out of Alabama, Dixie Parker, new skipper of the Martins, reported here this week and will

start preparations in and around the training camp next week for opening the season on April 25th with Tarboro at Tarboro.

Martins End Season With Victory Over Windsor Rebs, 43-42

Fenner Wallace Paces Locals With 12 Points; Grant Is Next With 11

The 1939-40 edition of the Williamston Martins' basketball team victoriously closed their current campaign last Tuesday night when they edged a 43-42 win over the fighting Windsor Rebels in a thrilling battle, witnessed by only a handful of fans.

The curtain-ringer of the season was a fierce battle all the way, and the few who were present saw one of the best games of the year. It marked the second time in two starts the Martins have taken the Rebels into camp by a one-point margin, the first game going into an over-time period, while the locals were able to skim by this time in the regulation game.

The game opened fast, with both teams hitting the hoop rapidly, and at the end of the first quarter the Martins were in the lead 12-10. However, in the next period the Rebels shot out in front, 26-19, as they stalled the Martin offensive down to 7 points, and then rang up 16 of their own, to hold a seven-point lead at intermission.

With a possible defeat in their final appearance of the season staring them in the face, the Martins put on the steam in the third period, and brought the score into a 32-all tie as the quarter ended. The last period was really nip-and-tuck, as the lead varied by only one or two points, with both teams at times holding the choice position. The Martins were on the long end when the final whistle blew, and thus they recorded their 34th win of the season.

Grady Love, one of the finest centers in this part of the state, led the Rebels in their gallant battle, as he turned in a fine floor game and also scored 15 points to take scoring honors for the night. Jack Goldstein, with 12, was next for the losers. The Martins were paced by their versatile forward, Fenner Wallace, with six field goals for 12 points, and Center Jeff Grant with 11. Anderson, with 8, was third. Pap Diem, Jack Manning and Ace Villeplique ranked in that order as the also rans.

This was the most successful sea-

Happenings In The Farm Life School

The Parent-Teacher association met at the school Wednesday evening, the main topic for discussion being the annual picnic that is held, as a rule, the closing day of school. The parents voted in favor of continuing the practice again this year.

The program, a burlesque on the teachers when they were in the first grade, was given by members of the junior and senior classes. The high school play, "A Ready Made Family," will be presented in the school auditorium tonight at 7:45 o'clock. There will be no charge and the public is cordially invited to attend. The play holds promise of being one of the best farce-comedies ever presented in the school. The play centers around the union of a "ready made family," brought about by the marriage of Mrs. Agnes Martyn (Vera Williams) and Henry Turner (Cecil Brown). Each has children that plot to break up the marriage. They try everything, having fits, talking about operations, stealing things, and chasing people with an axe. Miss Lydia Martyn, the old maid sister-in-law (Elizabeth Manning) complicates things even more. Her unsuccessful attempt to scare the new additions to the family is very comical, especially since she frightens the colored handy man, Nicodemus (Joseph Daniels) so badly that his hair "stands out as stiff and straight as darned needles." Begonia (Martha Roberson) the colored cook, does her part very well in furnishing humor. Grace, the 11-year-old problem child (Georgia Dean Roberson) leads her new step-

son that any of the Martin basketball teams has had, as their percentage for the entire campaign was 756.

The line-ups:

Martins	G	F	T
Anderson, f	4	0	8
Wallace, f	6	0	12
Grant, c	5	1	11
Villeplique, g	1	0	2
Manning, g	2	0	4
Diem, g	3	0	6
TOTALS	21	1	43

Windsor	G	F	T
Brannon, f	2	0	4
Walker, f	4	0	8
Love, c	7	1	15
Goldstein, g	6	0	12
Stubbs, g	1	1	3
TOTALS	20	2	42



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Williamston, N. C.
March 21, 1940. m22-2t

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In Bankruptcy No. 715
In the Matter of: Walter Glenn Scott, Individually and T-A Proctor Hotel Service Station, Greenville, N. C., Voluntary Bankrupt.

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I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of treasurer of Martin County subject to the wishes of the voters in the Democratic primary on May 25. Every vote cast for me will be greatly appreciated.
m22-1f DICK SMITH.

FOR TREASURER

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papa for many a merry chase, and his patience with her is exhausted more than once. The other children, Bob (E. H. Manning), Marilee (Laura Lilley), Doris (Hazel Hardison), and Sammie (B. F. Lilley) will add much to the success of the play. If you want two hours of entertainment packed full of laughs, don't miss the play.

The grammar grades are working on the operetta, "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," which will be given on the evening of April 19. Mary Dean Hardison is taking the part of Snow White.

Mrs. Elson Lilley had planned to carry the first, fourth and sixth grades on a trip to the tulip festival, in Washington. Since the date of the festival conflicts with that of the operetta, they will not go to Washington but will decide upon other places of interest to visit.

The junior and senior classes gave a chapel program Friday burlesquing the faculty and others connected with the school. The scene was laid in a first grade class room with Vera Pearl Williams as the teacher. Other characters were:


Mr. Martin, Benny Daniel; Mrs. Martin, Leona Griffin; Mr. Ward, Leslie Manning; Miss Gunter, Marie Revels; Miss Cooke, Eloise Hodges; Miss Haywood, Chloe Hardison; Mrs. Woolard, Laura Lilley, Mr. Woolard, Herbert Leslie Manning; Mr. James

Manning, Bruce Peel, Mr. Jim Wiggins, Clifton Ward.

The outstanding features of the program were the duet by "Mr. and Mrs. Woolard," the reading lesson, and the recitations.

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