

Parker's Nine Defeat Red's Lads 6 - 4 Here Last Sunday

Inter - Squad Contest Shows Much Power

Firstbaseman Rock Hits Home Run Off Old Man Red Swain

Rookie Hurlers Turn in Fine Early Season Exhibition

Baseball fans of this section were given their first opportunity to view the Williamston Martins last Sunday afternoon when Skipper Dixie Parker divided his squad into two teams and played a nine-inning exhibition. The Reds, managed by Pitcher Red Swain, went down in defeat by the score of 6-4, Dixie Parker's team gathering 11 hits off the opposing hurlers, including a four-base blow by "Hard" Rock, firstbaseman.

Approximately 300 rabid fans braved the cold weather to witness the affair and all expressed the opinion that the lads looked mighty good at this early date and should be ready for action when the Coastal Plain season opens on the 25th of this month.

Red's team scored first blood in the third frame when Wallace, firstbaseman, singled, went to third on a base knock by Secondbaseman Voelker. Voelker stole second and scored behind Wallace on a neat single by Peters, shortstop.

Parker's men scored two runs in the fourth off Old Man Red Swain, as Thompson singled and Firstbase-

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LOOK GOOD

"Although the game Sunday was the first this season, and the weather was far from comfortable, the boys looked mighty good, showing much promise," said Skipper Dixie Parker, of the Martins, after the inter-squad contest.

"Of course, there were many flaws and misplays, but I was glad they came up at this time so they could be corrected and the weak spots ironed out," he added.

The entire team displayed plenty of spirit and fight and with the remaining exhibition games before the opening of the season, the Martins will offer a team that will be in there scraping from the start.

man Rock rifled a long drive out of the park. Dixie and company went out in front in the next inning as they combined two singles and a fielder's choice to count a run, making the count, 3-2.

Swain's squad came back in the eighth frame to chalk up two markers on singles by Thirdbaseman Jones and Wilmer, centerfielder, coupled with three walks and a fielder's choice.

But the lead was only temporary as the proteges of Parker put on an eighth inning rally which netted them three runs and the ball game. Successive doubles by Keller, centerfielder, and Thompson, rightfielder, a long single by Rock, an error and a sacrifice in rapid order proved the downfall of Pitcher Odorizzi.

At bat for the Parkers, Rock and Stoler were the leaders each getting three hits for four trips to the plate, while Thompson followed close behind with two safeties. Catcher Skarda was the only Red to obtain more than a lone hit. According to the box score, the Martins have the best hitting team seen here in quite a while, and should have a number of league leaders.

The mound corps surprised everyone as the rookies showed great promise of becoming fine talent as soon as they gain more experience.

Even a good word can be said about Umpire Dutch Garwin, who called a better game behind the pitcher than some of the league's regular ump's do behind the catcher.

FORMER SKIPPER



Former skipper of the Martins and now manager of Pennington Gap's entry in the Appalachian league, Art Hauger is spending a day or two around his old play ground. His season opens in early May.

Camp Personnel Is Being Thinned Out By Skipper Parker

Eight Players Are Released by Skipper As the Axe Falls The First Time

"It's no little job to get them under contract, and I know of no meaner job than cutting them adrift," Skipper Dixie Parker said this morning after thinning out his training camp personnel last night. "It's got to be done, however, for we can play only nine men at a time and can carry only fifteen after the first two weeks of the season," the baseball man added.

Some of the boys looked pretty good, according to the skipper, but they are not quite ready for pro ball in this league. Two or three of the boys coming here early in the spring training season, Parker points out, show little promise, "and I advised them to look for other jobs."

Voelker, candidate for second base; Ackerman, third baseman, and Modrack, catcher, of Pittsburgh; Garwin, second baseman of Albany, N. Y.; Peters, shortstop; Port, outfielder; Cuprik, pitcher, and Gettinger, catcher, all of Ohio, were included in the first release.

There are now 28 candidates in the training camp, the skipper stating that he was not certain when the second release would be effected.

Art Hauger, former manager of the Martins, was here looking over the training camp and it is possible that two or three players will be turned over to him within the next day or two. No names have been mentioned, Manager Parker declar-

BASEBALL'S TOP PITCHING PAIR



A manager's dream of a two-man pitching staff is this pair of flingers—Bob Feller, left, brilliant young star of the Cleveland Indians, and Carl Hubbell, right, famed left-hander of the New York Giants. They are pictured together just before an exhibition game in August, 1937.

NO SALE

With his mind and eye on another pennant for Williamston, Dixie Parker, the Martins' manager, last week-end refused to sell Mundo and Keller to Jacksonville, a Class "B" club in the Southern state. No figures were mentioned, but the Jacksonville club officials are understood to have made a very attractive offer.

The refusal to sell virtually settles the assignments at second for Mundo and Keller for center-

ing that they are good players, "but I just haven't got room for all of them."

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Farm Life Defeats Jamesville Nine

The Farm Life baseball aggregation defeated the strong Jamesville nine on the Jamesville diamond on Monday, April 15, 6 to 5.

By agreement the game lasted only seven innings. C. Ward, Farm Life hurler, held the Jamesville team to six scattered hits. This was Ward's first start of the season. I. Manning caught for Farm Life.

Holliday and Martin shared the mound honors for Jamesville. The boys held the Farm Life team to seven hits. Martin was the losing pitcher.

Chickens

Oklabar is the name of a new breed of chickens developed by the Oklahoma A. and M. College. Their sex can be determined as soon as they hatch.

The box:

REDS	Ab	R	H	P	O	A	E
Wallace, 1b	4	1	1	7	0	0	0
Voelker, 2b	5	1	1	2	1	0	0
Peters, ss	3	0	1	0	1	0	0
Ackerman, ss	2	0	0	1	1	1	1
Jones, 3b	5	0	1	2	3	1	1
Skarda, c	3	0	2	3	1	0	0
Stevens, c	2	1	0	1	2	0	0
Wilmer, cf	5	1	1	3	0	0	0
Mikush, lf	3	0	1	2	0	0	0
Pert, rf	3	0	1	3	0	0	0
Buchtman, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swain, p	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Odorizzi, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	39	4	9	24	9	2	2

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PARKERS	Ab	R	H	P	O	A	E
Brown, lf	4	0	1	0	0	1	0
Mundo, 2b	4	0	0	2	2	0	0
Keller, cf	4	1	1	2	1	0	0
Thompson, rf	4	2	2	0	0	0	0
Rock, 1b	4	2	3	1	1	1	1
Kozak, 3b	3	0	1	1	2	0	0
Albritton, c	2	0	0	3	0	0	0
Marco, c	1	0	0	5	0	0	0
Stoler, ss	4	1	3	2	4	2	2
Bomar, p	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Miller, p	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Morris, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	6	11	27	12	4	4

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