

Softballers' Planning Post-Season Squabble

Semi-Finals Are Slated To Start Here On Monday

Players Will Draw On Reserve Strength To Put On the Extra Show

Play-off Schedule Monday, August 19 Christians vs. Episcopalians Methoterians vs. Baptists Tuesday, August 20 Methoterians vs. Baptists Christians vs. Episcopalians.

STANDINGS table with columns W, L, Pct. for Christians, Methoterians, Baptists, Episcopalians.

Shortened by league action, the end of the abbreviated City Softball Circuit's regular season finds the Christians in undisputed possession of first place...

Copying their baseball brethren, league officials have decided to sponsor a post-season play-off series, to be decided on the basis of the best two out of three games.

How They Hit In The Softball Loop

Table showing batting averages for Mears, Metho, N. Cun'ham, Metho, Thigpen, Metho, C. Roberson, Ch'ian, Grimes, Baptists, Wise, Metho.

Last week prevailing averages in the "Big Six," softball's sacred hitting circle, rose here and declined there as the City Softball Circuit's star clouters continued their dominance over their mound cousins.

Idle Ned Cunningham retained the second niche with a season's average of .463. However, C. Roberson, who hit safely three of seven times last week, skidded slightly into fourth place.

His position was usurped by Joe Thigpen, at .455, who is rapidly winning fame as the only player in the league who hits higher than he fields and one whose gate-opening antics in Monday's doubleheader seriously hampered his team's chances, but not so seriously as losing pitcher Wheeler Manning would have one believe.

Meanwhile, "Happy Harcum" Grimes took over the position vacated by J. E. Boykin and Fred Wise skidded to the precarious last place berth in the "Big Six."

Far and away the loop's leading slugger, Ernest Mears, 14 hits in 25 chances gave him that distinction. But all the hitting honors are not his for the asking as the Christians' C. Roberson leads in total hits with 23 and is deadlocked with "Bro" George in runs scored with 14 tallies to his credit.

RESULTS

Tuesday, August 13 Goldsboro 6, Wilson 2. Snow Hill 4, Greenville 3. Kinston 7, Williamston 2. New Bern 5, Tarboro 3. Wednesday, August 14 All games, postponed, rain. Thursday, August 15. New Bern 2-6, Snow Hill 0-3. Others, postponed, rain.

Home Water Systems In Duplin To Be Improved

Following a home water system meeting conducted by H. M. Ellis, extension agricultural engineer of State College, nine Duplin County women and nine men indicated plans to improve their systems.

Paper-towels more than trebled in the value of total production of this country during 1925-37, but the cotton product is now waging a strong comeback, according to the National Cotton Council.

BIG BARGAIN EVENT

The biggest baseball bargain event of the year is being planned here for Thursday night, August 22, when everybody, regardless of color, size, political beliefs and so on, will be admitted at the rate of ten cents—one thin dime, if you please.

In the absence of the club operator, a group of fans is planning the special event that an overflowing crowd will greet Mr. Lilley upon his return that night. The lighting contract expires the following day and will not be renewed. The special committee is anxious to pack the park one more time, and everyone is cordially urged to bend his plans to permit a prompt attendance that night.

Night Play Has Been Abandoned By Club As Economy Move

However, Lights Will Burn For "Bargain Night" August 22nd

Attendance at home baseball games, long on the verge of dying out, finally dwindled to such an extent that the management of the Williamston Martins has been forced to abandon night ball in order to save money expended towards the maintenance of our tragically new lighting system.

The economy drive, due to the same mediocre attendance, has also had the effect of forcing Manager Swain to run the club as cheaply as possible and even reduce expenditures in the past few days.

Nevertheless, despite financial difficulties and the plague of injuries that has beset the locals all season, Red continues to hope for the best and experiment for next year. Nathan Edmondson, of Robersonville, who Swain aptly describes as having a world of stuff, but needing experience, and Ray Marcel are two of the boys with whom Swain has consistently worked and upon whom he is counting heavily for regular duty next season.

Releasing a tentative line-up for the game with Kinston's Eagles here this afternoon Swain indicated that he would handle the mound duties and Rock would occupy first. Stotler is slated to take over the short field berth, Slakis moving back to his accustomed third base and Lezier Newman going back to right field to give the locals their most settled line-up in many a day. However, Slim Gardner, with malaria, and Ted Miller, with an arm ailment, are still on the hospital list and leave the pitching staff in a quandary.

As a result of his mound troubles Manager Swain, despite the fact that his arm is still a little sore after his iron man stunt against Goldsboro last Friday, elected to twirl today and it is likely that First Baseman Rock will take his regular pitching turn throughout the remainder of the season.

Leading Twirlers In Softball Loop

Table showing leading twirlers: J. Manning, Christians; Price, Christians; Mears, Methoterians; Peele, Baptists; Summerlin, Baptists; Rose, Baptists.

Twirling beautiful and heroic ball in sweeping Monday's double bill with the befuddled Methoterians, Christian Jack Manning carried out a stunt that is frequently attempted, but seldom successful. Lanky Jack held the usually hard hitting Methos to 11 bingles in pulling off his iron man stunt to give him a perfect record compiled from five consecutive victories.

Ham Price, the other half of the Christians hill duet, is next best with six wins and one setback. Ernest Mears and all the other members of last week's "Who's Who" retained their positions save Wheeler Manning who received credit for both defeats sustained by his team Monday and slipped below the .500 level.

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Kinston Wins Over Martins In Only Contest Played, 7-2

Eagle Bill Zinser Holds Williamston Batters To Seven Safeties

Kinston Bill Zinser continued his ruthless domination of the hapless Martins here Tuesday night, conquering the locals 7-2 in certainly the last night game of the season and perhaps forever on Taylor Field. Rattling the boards with the offering of Andy Anderson and Lester Rock for 16 total bases, including a home run and a pair of doubles, the Eagles presented an 11-hit attack to dishearten the skimpy gathering of around one hundred fans.

The Eagles broke the ice in the third when Zinser homered with the sacks unoccupied and added a singleton in the succeeding stanza. Congdon, first up, singled, advanced to third on an error and scored on an infield out.

Two more foreign runners, enough in themselves to insure victory, completed the circuit in the sixth verse. Demasi singled and stole second, whereupon Congdon drew a free pass. Duplicating Congdon's example Bator worked "Handy Andy" for a free pass to fill the bases with two away. Spell then cracked out a single to account for the runs.

Nevertheless the Martins came back in their half of the sixth to decimate the Eagles' advantage. Gaylord walked and advanced on an error and Swain's single, scoring on Popovich's outfield fly. Marcel's single drove in Swain to end the rally and close the Martins' scoring for the evening.

Manager Red Swain led the locals with two hits for three attempts with his heavy bludgeon while Demasi had three for four to pace the Eagles.

Table showing game statistics for Kinston and Williamston players.

Totals Williamston Ab R H PO A E Taylor, cf 5 0 0 3 0 0 Slakis, ss 3 0 1 6 0 0 Newman, 3b 3 0 1 2 3 1 Rock, 1b-p 4 0 2 9 1 1 Gaylord, lf 2 1 0 1 0 0 Swain, rf-1b 3 1 2 2 0 0 Popovich, 2b 4 0 0 7 1 0 Marcel, c 4 0 1 1 1 0 Anderson, p 3 0 0 1 1 0 Stotler, rf 1 0 0 0 0 0

Runs batted in: W. Zinser, Bator 2. Russo, Spell 2, Popovich, Marcel. Two base hits: DeMasi 2, Slakis. Home run: W. Zinser. Stolen base: DeMasi. Sacrifice: Kolszar. Double plays: Slakis and Rock; Russo and Bator; Newman, Popovich and Swain. Left on bases: Kinston 10, Williamston 8. Bases on balls: Off W. Zinser 4, Anderson 5, Rock 3. Struck out: by W. Zinser 4, Rock 1. Hits: off Anderson 7 in 6 1-3; Rock 4 in 2-3. Passed balls: Marcel, Overton. Losing pitcher: Anderson. Umpires: Latham and Joliff. Time: 1:55.

The Acquisition Of British Naval Base Is Being Considered

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ship and sank it and another shot killed a number of children. The outcome of the attack is yet to be determined. Adverse reports for the British came out of Africa yesterday stating that the Italians were gaining ground steadily there but at heavy expense.

Out in Missouri today a mysterious explosion wrecked a dirigible plant and killed at least five workmen. The plant was filling orders for Britain, one report stated.

In the National Congress a plea was heard late yesterday for the sale or transfer of American destroyers to England. Senator Josh Lee, of Oklahoma, stated that aid to Britain is a vital step in America's defense.

The National Guard bill was passed by the House yesterday by a 342-33 vote, and the bill will become law within a few days, the action to mark the first major step in building the defense army up to more than 1,000,000 men.

Varied Reports On Quality Of Tobacco Are Received

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ing advanced on an extensive scale. Last year this time, many farmers were through curing the crop. At the present time the task is hardly half complete and it will be some time in early September before the harvest is handled in its entirety.

Ashe Farmers To Compare Native And Western Ewes

To compare their native ewes with western ewes, five Ashe County farmers have received some of the latter animals and will test them under local conditions.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carroll and son, Charles, Jr., of High Point, and Miss Melba Wynne, of Morehead City, visited here a short while this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hughes returned last evening from a visit with friends in Atlanta and other Georgia points.

Ten Sign Up For The County-Wide Tennis Tourney

Preparations for a county-wide tennis tourney are being rushed as rapidly as possible. Already ten persons have officially entered and many persons considered as likely prospects have not been solicited. Entrance must be effected at least by noon next Thursday in order that first round pairings may be listed for publication.

More complete details will be available in Tuesday's edition of the paper, covering a meeting during this week-end of the tennis committee. Meanwhile, plans for holding the tournament are being organized as quickly as possible. Anyone interested in entering is urged to see June Feil, or Joe Thrower, the committee's representative in Robersonville.

Twenty-one Places Have Beer License In Martin County

Raleigh — There are 21 places of business in Martin County licensed by the state to sell beer at retail.

Figures, compiled by the Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee as of August 1, disclosed that the state has issued retail beer licenses to 3,997 dealers in North Carolina. The 1940-41 tax year (for beer licenses) began May 1, and it is probable the number will reach last year's total of 4,934 before the year ends next April 30.

Mecklenburg County's 280 easily tops Guilford's 222. Forsyth is third with 175, followed by Buncombe with 155, Durham 145, Wake 139, and New Hanover, 134. Rowan has 95, Alamance 82, Robeson 80, Gaston 82, Halifax 73, and Rockingham 73.

The state department of revenue issued 565 retail licenses during the month of July and 3,432 in May and June, the first two months of the 1940-41 tax year.

The beer industry's "clean up or close up" campaign has resulted in the revocation of 100 retail licenses in 37 counties since last September 1, according to Colonel Bain. Five retailers in four counties were placed on probation, and 140 retailers were warned by the state director to "clean up" or face "close up" proceedings.

In addition, about 75 dealers in various counties of the state were refused renewals of their licenses or denied licenses by local boards because they were unable to meet the requirements of the law. The Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee last April urged the city and county boards to refuse licenses to persons unable to furnish evidences of good character or who had been convicted of liquor law violations.

Diseases Spread Due To Extensive Heat

Poultrymen are complaining that they are losing birds during the process of culling and vaccinating for fowl pox. C. F. Parrish, poultry specialist of the State College Extension Service, says most of the losses are due to crowding up, piling up, and over-heating.

"It is very unwise, even in the culling of flocks, to permit the birds to crowd or jam up in the corners, or in any way become overheated," he says. "In many cases this results in outbreaks of respiratory troubles which take a heavy toll at this season of the year."

"If the birds are to be culled, and they should be culled to weed out the 'loafers', it would be well to cull them at night, if at all possible. Take a flashlight and remove the non-layers from the roost without disturbing the others."

"If flocks are vaccinated for chicken pox, then it is suggested that they be placed on range in summer range shelters or that adequate housing facilities be provided, and that these birds be permitted to range at large or at least be provided with adequate range."

"The system of vaccinating pullets and placing them back in a tight, stuffy brooder house is giving us poor results and is the cause of many of our complaints," Parrish declared.

The extension specialist further stated that failure to provide houses large enough to permit the chickens freedom of movement and fresh air has always been a serious problem on North Carolina farms. "When we allow birds to pile up, crowd up, or become over-heated after handling, we are sure to receive ill results," Parrish concluded.

One Injured In Car Wreck Wednesday

Mrs. Marvin Coltraine, of near here, was painfully cut on the knees last Wednesday evening when the car in which she was riding with her small daughter and Evans Lilley crashed with a car driven by Clarence Waters near the W. L. Taylor home on the Washington Road. Seven stitches were required to close the wounds, a report stating today that the wreck victim was getting along very well. Other occupants of the two cars were not hurt.

Both cars were badly damaged, one estimate placing the total damage at more than \$300.

Granville Wilt Seen Over Wide Region

Flue-cured tobacco growers of other sections of the State are being plagued this year by Granville wilt, a disease heretofore largely centered in Granville, Durham and Wake Counties. Howard H. Garriss, plant pathologist of the State College Extension Service, reports that the wilt has been found this summer in many counties, with the worst new outbreaks in southeastern North Carolina.

Granville wilt is caused by a bacterial germ which lives in the soil indefinitely if plants susceptible to the germ are grown on the land. Since it is not transferred through the air, Garriss said the only explanation for the widespread occurrence of the disease this year is that it has been brought in by tobacco plants imported from one area to another, or by soil attached to potatoes, tomatoes, peppers, string beans, peanuts, Jimson weeds, cocklebur and other plants susceptible to attack by the wilt.

He recommends the following control measures, none of which, however, have been proven to be entirely "sure" as a cure or preventive for the disease: Prevent washing of soil from infected to uninfected fields, avoid transportation of tobacco stalks and trash from infected to uninfected fields, avoid transportation of soil on farm implements and on the feet of animals and man from infected to uninfected fields, and grow tobacco in infected fields only in a three to five-year rotation with resistant or immune crops adapted to local conditions.

Garriss says that the following plants apparently are immune to Granville wilt: corn, sweet potatoes, cotton, wheat, oats, rye, barley, crimson clover, Austrian winter peas, vetch, lespedeza, crotalaria, herbs (red top) grass, crab grass, watermelons, cantaloupes, and sorghum.

Draw Jurymen For The Regular Term Of Superior Court

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Robersonville Township: N. C. Everett, J. W. Grimes, A. O. Roberson, and A. R. Johnson. Poplar Point Township: W. S. White. Goose Nest Township: H. E. Brown and T. H. Council.

Second Week. Jamesville Township: James Barber. Griffins Township: J. Alfred Ellis, A. T. Gurkin, Henry J. Hardison, Julius M. Manning and Morris L. Peel.

Bear Grass Township: Wheeler Rogers, Warren Bailey and William B. Rogers. Williamston Township: R. Edwin Peel, Marion Cobb and Asa H. Crawford.

Cross Roads Township: Simon Rogers. Robersonville Township: W. D. Price, Larry Bunting and Lester House. Goose Nest Township: G. W. Barrett and Joe Bunting.

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IRISH POTATOES AND WOOD for sale. Call Mrs. Kate B. York.

Mrs. Thelma Jones Died Early Today After Long Illness

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ville; Durward White, of Hatteras, and Randolph White, of Williamston, and one sister, Mrs. Bruce Cheson, also of Williamston, and two half-sisters, Ella and Ramona Ange, of Jamesville.

When a young girl she joined the Christian Church at Robersonville, and in its service and to its teachings she remained faithful until the end. Her suffering she bore without complaint, and even in death she thought of the comfort and welfare of others before that of her own. No greater love could any mother have expressed for her children than that expressed by her during years of trying experiences, and even as the end approached, her own interest and comfort were secondary to that of her children and other loved ones. In the hospital she was a thoughtful and appreciative patient, bearing untold suffering without complaint and entertaining a great hope even against hope until the last.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Biggs Funeral Home on West Main Street here Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. John L. Goff, her pastor, and Rev. J. M. Perry, a former pastor, of Robersonville. Interment will follow in the local cemetery.

Successful Bear And Snake Hunt

Invading farmers' fields and hog pens, bears were subjected to a blitzkrieg in Griffins Township on Wednesday morning when Pete Hardison bagged a 160-pound bruin near Edward and Joe Gray Corey's farm. The hunt was prompted after the bears had cleared about one acre of corn from a back field on the farm. Several hunters fired at the bear, but Hardison got credit for the knock-out blow.

While the bear was undergoing a blitzkrieg, Hunter Dred Darden branched off and started hunting snakes, an authentic report coming neither from Berlin nor London stating that the sure-shot killed two sizable rattlers with a single shot.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Elliott and Mrs. Gussie Burroughs visited Mrs. W. B. Weaver near Spring Green Wednesday.

Advertisement for N. C. GREEN, Agent, featuring a photo of a smiling man and text about farm products and lubrication.

Large advertisement for N. C. GREEN, Agent, featuring the text "LOST" and "100 beer licenses by retailers in 37 North Carolina counties" and "Brewers and North Carolina Beer Distributors Committee".

Advertisement for THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, an international daily newspaper, with contact information and a sample copy request.