

B. R. Conference Track Tournament Here Friday

Schools Of Blue Ridge Conference Will Participate

Hundreds Expected Here Friday; Program Starts At 1:30 At Stadium.

Formerly scheduled to be held at Brevard, the Blue Ridge Conference track tournament which is an annual event, will be held for the first time in its history, at the Waynesville stadium.

Scheduled to begin Friday afternoon at 1:30 the tournament is expected to draw many schools and participants. Canton, who is always well represented at the meet, holds the present record. The tournament was held at Canton last year.

Some of the teams which are expected to participate are: Andrews, Brevard, Canton, Marshall, Mars Hill, Swannanoa, Tryon, Saluda, Waynesville and Sylva.

In the track meet the event will be broken up into the two usual divisions, one boys and one girls. The boys' division includes: 100 yard dash, 75 yard dash, and 50 yard dash, high jump, broad jump, shot put, football punt for distance, football throw for distance, baseball thrown for distance and the relay race for 800 yards.

In the girls' division: 30 yard dash, 50 yard dash and 75 yard dash, high jump, broad jump, and basketball throw for distance and the relay race for 400 yards.

Elementary Basketball Tournament

The elementary basketball tournament is scheduled to start next Tuesday afternoon at 2:00.

Those schools which are to be represented are: Rock Hill, Central Elementary and East Waynesville. The opening tilt will be between Rock Hill boys vs. Central Elementary boys and Hazelwood boys vs. East Waynesville boys.

Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 the girls will start their elementary tournament with an opening tilt between Junaluska girls vs. Maggie girls, and Hazelwood girls vs. East Waynesville girls.

THE WORD IS EMPTY

The word offense is no better than the word defense unless it means capacity for action.—Anne O'Hara McCormick in New York Times.

Question Of A Softball League To Be Decided Upon Friday Night At 8

By Marion T. Bridges.

Are we to have softball this year?

There has been quite a bit of discussion the past few days as to whether or not there would be a softball league this year. If it were left up to us, we would say yes.

The secretary-treasurer, Paul Davis, has called a meeting of the teams that were in the league last season to have a representative at his office on Main street at eight o'clock Friday night of this week. Mr. Davis also requested that any new teams that were anticipating joining the league this year to have a representative there also.

We can recall three years ago just about this time when the league was being formed, how all were in doubt as to whether or not it would go over. There were numerous meetings of the managers of the prospective teams and also the officials, working out the details as to how the new sport would be financed and how the lights would be purchased. Now another problem arises three years after the beginning of softball in Waynesville and this community. How many teams can place ten men on the field and have any reserves left?

This war we are having not only affects us in our economic lives, it also affects us in our recreation. We know a large number of the players of the different teams last year are now in uniform of Uncle Sam and they will be greatly missed, but we believe that a sufficient number are still here to continue the game if no other way on a limited scale. There are plenty of middle-aged men that would like to get the kinks out of their joints once again, and we believe they can be used to a good advantage in forming the league for the coming season.

It has been suggested that instead of playing at night and having two games at a time the league play twilight ball and throw

Asheville Ball Club Has Only One Hold-Over

Prospects For Good Season Looms For Tourists, Who Are Now Practicing Hard.

(Special to The Mountaineer).

With a club almost completely made over from the one which finished out of the money in the Piedmont League race last year, the Asheville Tourists are in training now at Columbus, preparing for the opening game of the 1942 campaign, with high hopes of being in the flag chase from the very start of the season.

When the Tourists trot out on the diamond of McCormick Field, Thursday afternoon, April 23, to meet the Charlotte Hornets in the season inaugural, the only player from last year's squad who will be in the starting lineup will be Bill Ramsey, the sensational young outfielder who batted .582 for the Tourists the two weeks he was with them at the close of the 1941 campaign.

Otherwise, the club will be completely made over, from Manager Bill Delancey, to bat boy. Delancey, former St. Louis Cardinal catching here, is making his debut as a pilot in the Piedmont League and he has a promising array of young talent, including Dick Connell, first baseman; George Converse, short stop; Hal Olt, third baseman; Joe King, outfielder; and Joe Davis, Don Bakkelund, Paul Wargo and Merle Muhl, pitchers. Before April 23, the Tourists will land an experienced catcher, a second baseman, at least one more outfielder and a couple of pitchers. Then they expect to be ready for all comers in the Piedmont circuit.

4-H Club Formed At L. Junaluska

Dwight Paschal, assistant county agent, met with a group of boys and girls April 9, at the home of A. J. McCracken, and organized a 4-H club for Junaluska.

The following officers were elected: President, Billy Joe Jaynes; vice president, Joe Terrell; secretary, Mabel McCracken; and sergeant-at-arms, Floyd Albright.

Much interest was shown in Mr. Paschal's discussion on the work of the 4-H club, and twelve enthusiastic young people enrolled as charter members of the club.

Mrs. A. J. McCracken was elected leader of the club.

BOOST FOR HACK-WRITERS

Visions of a better world ahead, as entertained by Henry Ford and others, throw open a vast new field to the debunkers, as none of them yet has debunked the future.—Detroit News.

The gates open to the public. This would be a good idea if it will work. Last season the umpires were paid and the league furnished the balls for each game. If this plan were put into effect the individual teams would have to furnish their own balls to play with and also a competent umpire that would render his services free. This would be hard to accomplish, but at the meeting Friday night it is expected that all this will be thrashed out.

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J. D. HYATT

SPORT HAPPENINGS

By HYATT

HELLO SPORT FANS! Several of the places selling fishing licenses say that there are still a lot of people asking them about fishing dates . . . of course they don't mind giving out the information but just to save you fellows some trouble here is the fishing schedule again . . .

Richland Creek will be open from April 15th to August 31st from Junaluska to the head and from Junaluska down will be open from June 10th until April 15th.

Sherwood Cooperative Wildlife Management Area

OPEN DATES

- (1) West Fork Pigeon River—April 18; May 2, 17, 30; June 14, 27; July 12; August 1 and 15.
- (2) Big East Fork Pigeon River—April 19; May 1, 16, 31; June 13, 28; July 11, 25; August 8 and 23.
- (3) Little East Fork Pigeon River—April 20, 30 and May 15. Pisgah National Game Preserve
- (4) Davidson River—April 20 to August 31, inclusive.
- (5) Upper South Mills River—April 15, 24; May 22; June 5, 21; and July 5.
- (6) Lower South Mills River—April 15, 19, 26; May 10, 23; June 12 and 19.
- (7) North Mills River—April 17; May 8, 29; June 7; July 4, 18.
- (8) North Fork French Broad River—May 3; June 20, June 26; July 10, 24; August 2, 9, 14, 21, 29.
- (9) Bradley Creek—April 15, 17, 24; May 8. Closed above Hendersonville water intake after May 8.

Clinic Conducted At Friendly House On Wednesday

Twenty-one cases were entered for examination at the maternity and infant clinic which is conducted each month at the Friendly House in the Cecil section of the county, under the auspices of the county health department.

The cases included the following: three prenatal; three infants, and 15 pre-school children.

Read The Ads

of shade around I just stop for awhile and start fishing. "Well, sir, you know last Sunday I was out riding around and happened to see a nice place on Cataloochee that I thought might have some good fish in it, so I stopped and got on and started to fish . . . Do you know that I had no sooner thrown my hook into the water than a big fish grabbed it. Well, brother, that fish of mine weighed exactly ten pounds."

"The other salesman very enthusiastically replied: 'My gracious, what a fish! You know I like to fish just about like that, too, and I remember one time when I was out on Jonathan Creek I was fishing and all of a sudden felt something grab my hook! I gave it a great big pull and what do you think . . . it was a lantern that my father had lost five years before and it was still burning!'"

"Being a very skeptical person the other fisherman couldn't quite swallow this: 'Now wait a minute, brother . . . you know good and well that a lantern can't burn for five years!'"

"To which the other salesman replied: 'Well, I'll tell you what I'll do . . . you take nine pounds off your fish and I'll blow out my lantern.'"

We also heard (we're not telling on them either) about a couple of our local fishermen catching a string of 12 mile bass out of Lake Junaluska . . . sounds like they're biting all right!

Couldn't help but notice how many people are busy buying equipment the last minute . . . it looked as if everybody in town was going fishing . . . several of the doctors and bankers were getting ready to get an early start on some new fish stories . . . and by this time probably have their catch.

If anyone catches or hears of anybody catching one that they think is out of the ordinary in any way . . . please let me know . . .

Keep 'em biting!!

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Of Waynesville, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business on April 4, 1942. Published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts	\$ 529,770.85
2. U. S. Gov. obligations, direct and guaranteed	34,534.02
3. Obligations of States and political subdivisions	396,355.01
5. Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	3,000.00
6. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	427,600.08
7. Bank premises owned \$6,000.00, furniture and fixtures \$9,931.00	15,931.00
8. Real estate owned other than bank premises	1.00
11. Other assets	1,478.61
12. Total Assets	\$1,408,660.57

LIABILITIES	
13. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	365,997.38
14. Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	637,481.34
15. Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	318.75
16. Deposits of states and political subdivisions	210,276.50
18. Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	5,888.06
19. Total Deposits	\$1,219,957.06
24. Total Liabilities	\$1,219,957.06

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
25. Capital Stock:	
(b) Class B preferred	50,000.00
(c) Common stock, total par \$50,000.00	50,000.00
26. Surplus	68,500.00
27. Undivided profits	19,708.53
28. Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	188,705.51
29. Total Capital Accounts	\$1,408,660.57
30. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	\$1,408,660.57

MEMORANDA	
31. Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):	
(b) Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement)	102,130.73
(c) Total	102,130.73
32. Secured liabilities:	
(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	210,276.50
(d) Total	210,276.50

State of North Carolina, County of Haywood, ss: I, James T. Noland, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief

JAMES T. NOLAND, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of April, 1942. GLENN W. CUTHBERTSON, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: J. W. WAY, Jr. J. H. WOODY, L. N. DAVIS, Directors.



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GREAT SMOKY NATIONAL PARK The following Park streams in the State of North Carolina are open to fishing. All other streams are closed. Main streams only of waters listed are open; all tributaries thereof are closed:

- (1) North Carolina section of the Park:
 - Big Creek below Rocky Branch.
 - Cataloochee Creek below Palmer Creek; Palmer Creek below Lost Bottom Creek.
 - Oconaluftee River below Lake Bradley Branch; Raven Fork below Cherokee Reservation; Straight Fork below Ledge Creek; Bradley Fork below Taywa Creek.
 - Deep Creek below confluence of Right and Left Forks; Left Fork below Hermit Branch.
 - Forney Creek below Steel Trap Branch.
 - Twenty Mile Creek below Proctor Branch.
 - Moore Spring Branch below Big Laurel Branch.

FISHING: Open Season: Trout, May 16 to August 31, inclusive; rock bass and small-mouthed bass, June 16 to August 31, inclusive, except that Little River below Sinks Bridge and Abrams Creek, below Abrams Falls are closed to all fishing until June 16. Fishing is permitted only between the hours of 7:00 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Eastern War Time in the North Carolina section of the Park. SIZE LIMIT: Rainbow and brook trout under 7 inches in length, rock bass under 6 inches in length, and small-mouthed bass under 11 inches in length shall not be retained unless seriously injured in catching . . . LIMIT OF CATCH: The maximum catch in any one day and the maximum number in possession shall be 10 fish of any or all species, except that the limit for small-mouthed bass is 5 fish per day or in possession. All fish of legal size must be retained as part of the creek. All undersized fish not seriously injured shall be immediately and carefully returned to the water. All undersized fish retained shall constitute part of the total catch limit.

Thinking perhaps that beginners would welcome a few tips about fishing we asked Mr. Plott to tell us a few things that might come in handy for a beginner . . .

The ideal time to fish is early in the morning and late in the afternoon . . . the first two hours of the morning and the last two before sundown is the best time. Mr. Plott says that the best places to fish are on Cataloochee and Big Creek . . . you are not allowed to use anything but artificial bait and single hooks on Government land.

As for equipment Mr. Plott says that it's all according to the individual's nature . . . just a plain cane pole with a piece of line and a wire hook and a large juicy red worm has often proved to be the best equipment anyone could possible have . . . you can ask any young fisherman about the best way to go about this!!

I was talking to Mr. Parkman the other day (he fishes occasionally, too) about fishy stories being the biggest part of the fun a fisherman has and like a real fisherman he promptly thought of one . . . Stop me if you've heard this before . . .

"There were two salesmen talking about how well they liked to fish and how good they were. One salesman said to the other, 'You know I like to fish so well that I carry my pole along with me in the car all the time . . . and when I come to a nice quiet pool with plenty