

# Wellco Goes In Softball Tourney Semi-Finals

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August 18 Days In August  
 August looms as the month for Haywood sports fans into a merry dither.  
 Three weeks of softball tournaments at Canton, then a Horse Show, Golf Tournament, Fox Hound Show, football practice all taking place within the remaining days of August.  
 The Canton Black Bears will have on uniforms and get to sweat and work Saturday morning.  
 The Mountaineers will start about a week later, with physicals due the 21st, and perhaps some warming up preparation for hard work the first of the following week.  
 What any team in the Blue Ridge Conference will do is entirely too early for predictions. The general opinion of all coaches leaves the idea that the teams might get off to a fast start.

### Franklin Coach

From over at Franklin, a new coach, Richard Arthur Byrd, has called for practice to start Friday afternoon. Byrd is a former Western Carolina College star, and is coached by Ralph "Chuck" McConnell, who resigned during the Franklin school controversy this spring.

### Card Getting Ready

Over Pisgah in Brevard, the Blue Devils donned their uniforms on the 11th, in preparation for their first game on the 14th with Black Mountain. Coaches D. C. Dial and Earl Teague said that material was plentiful, but light. Two co-captains of the Blue Devils, who gave Waynesville a hard fight last season, have graduated. They are Bill Bryson, and Heyward Ramsey. Waynesville goes to play on October 23rd.

### Will Strong And Fast

Over in Marshall the "Red Tornadoes" will see action on Monday, 17th, under Coach Wayne Bradburn, who is expecting 13 lettermen to return for action. His prediction is the Marshall team will be strong and fast. Marshall will play in Marshall on September 25.

### Hendersonville Bear Cats In Daily Drills

Starting Saturday morning, the Hendersonville Bear will go through two workouts daily, according to Coach Tate, and assistant Jim McCorkle.  
 Graduation hit the Bear Cats lightly last June, as lettermen are returning, and all the backfield of the squad. Only four linemen were lost by graduation.  
 Coach Tate has 66 boys signed up for the squad, which is the largest number ever to report for practice.  
 The Bear Cats play here on October 9th.

### Change Of Uniform

It looks like J. C. DeWeese will be wearing a different uniform this football season. Instead of the white and blue for Carolina, he will be sporting a khaki one for Sam. J. C., a Carolina freshman halfback last year, plans of returning for practice at Chapel Hill about the middle of the month, when Uncle Sam beckoned him to change his address to Fort Jackson.

### Calling To Dove Hunters

Dove hunters who were dissatisfied with the dates of their season should be pleased with this year's dates. U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service has recently announced the new season for the coming season: September 15-29 for the first part of a split season, and December 27 - January 10 for the second.  
 Again, as last year, the shooting hours are from 12:00 noon to sunset with a daily bag and possession limit of eight. People who know dove hunting as a sport consider a man who can kill eight birds in an afternoon is either a marksman, or he has burned up a lot of shells, or both.

### Would You Have Called This?

Baseball fans in Weldon are having a big time arguing the proper ruling on this play: Runner on first. Batter grounded to first baseman. Runner does not move off first base. First baseman steps on bag without touching runner. Is runner out? The batter only is out. When the first baseman stepped on the bag, then the force was removed from the runner who stayed on that base did not have to move. Had the first baseman touched the runner and then touched the base, it would have been a double play.

### Planes Move Rails

MUROC LAKE, Calif. (AP) — A railroad is being moved so that planes of tomorrow may be tested today on the sunbaked bed of Murroc Dry Lake. Relocation of 26 miles of the main line of the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company's track around the lake will give the Air Force 20-mile-long natural runway. The job is scheduled for completion by October.

### Sweet Business

BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) — Sweetness in Vermont real estate dealings! Mrs. Appleyard sold her house to Mrs. Sugarman.  
 The Lewis and Clarke expedition lasted from May 1804 to September 1806.

## Pitcher's Thrills



VINEGAR BEND MIZELL "Stanky Congratulated Me"

By VINEGAR BEND MIZELL, St. Louis Cardinals  
 The big thing in my career came when I hit a home run one time. It happened in 1950 at Winston-Salem, in Class B. It was the last game of the Shaughnessy playoffs and we won it.  
 They took up a collection and I got \$220.  
 I had a couple of nights where I struck out 18 in the minors but the way I hit and the way they kid me as a batter, that home run hit was tops with me.  
 My first win in the major leagues a year ago last May was a big thrill. I beat the Phillies, 3-2. I had pretty good stuff that day.  
 I allowed four hits and Connie Ryan got two of them, a homer and a single. He hit me pretty good all year. I remember the top of the ninth. We were tied at 2-2. I walked a man and they had runners on first and second with two out.  
 Eddie Stanky was playing that day and he came over and said: "Kid, get this man and you got a win."  
 It was Ryan and I got him out. In the last of the ninth Peanuts Lowrey singled home Solly Hemus and I got my first win.  
 Eddie came over and congratulated me. It was the only time he congratulated me on anything. I don't expect a manager to congratulate me every time I win but I remember how happy Eddie was to see me break the ice. I had lost my first two starts.  
 Winning in the majors is great every time but I can't help but feel my big kick came when I hit my first home run in baseball.

## Game Set 7 Tonight; Four Teams

Wellco Shoe softball team will be one of the four teams battling for the championship of the 8th district tournament tonight as the event enters the semi-finals stage.  
 Starting at seven o'clock, Wellco will meet the strong Superior Cleaners, with Anderson - Brown meeting Mutual at eight. All play is on the Canton field.  
 The winners of tonight's games will meet Friday night at 6:30. There is a possibility that the Friday game could end the tournament, or it could go on for another game on Saturday night. It all depends upon the winners of tonight's games.

As an added attraction Friday night, the Champion Y will meet the Waverly Growers of Waverly, Fla., in a double header, starting right after the district tournament game.  
 In the event a game of the tournament is played on Saturday night, the Champion Y officials have announced that they will have a team on hand to meet Champion Y in an exhibition game. The two teams under consideration for the Saturday night attraction is Peerless Woolen Mills of Chattanooga, or the Amvets of Oak Ridge.  
 In the Wednesday night game, Sports Mart received an 11-3 drubbing from Wellco Shoe in the opener and Superior Cleaners' George Turbyfill outlasted Anderson-Brown's Ken Rudeen in a pitchers battle in the second game as the Cleaningmen grabbed a 1-0 decision.  
 It was principally the big sticks of Elmer Dudley, and Jim and Hob Kuykendall along with 10 Sports Mart errors that brought about the win for Wellco.  
 Dudley and the Kuykendall brothers each collected two for four to pace the nine-hit attack. Jim Kuykendall blasted a homer. David Smith limited Sports Mart to four hits.

The line score:  
 Wellco Shoe 341 101 1-11 9 3  
 Sports Mart 300 000 0-3 4 10  
 Batteries: Smith and Hooper; Taylor and Riggins. Doubles: G. Taylor. Home runs: J. Kuykendall. Umpires: Munday and Hearn.  
 The winner and runner-up of the tournament will play in the Men's Southern Tournament, which will start on the 24th. The Champion Y is the defending state champions, with the tournament winner also entering, as well as the runner-up who will be the host team for the tournament.

## TURF'S FIVE TOP MONEY WINNERS



AP Newsfeatures  
 The figure filberts are becoming as exasperated as the 3-year-olds. It's getting so that nobody can keep up with Native Dancer. Alfred Vanderbilt's gray colt now ranks fifth among the leading money winners in history and if he wins the famed Travers at Saratoga on Saturday, Aug. 15, he figures to pass Assault, the

Travers at one mile and a quarter is worth \$25,000. Native Dancer, beaten but once in 17 starts (second in the Kentucky Derby), may go in Washington Park's \$100,000 American Derby on Aug. 22. Before the year is out he could rank right behind Citation, the only horse ever to earn more than one million.

## Mountaineers Will Report For Practice Next Friday; 45 To 50 To Answer Call

Between 45 and 50 boys are expected to turn out Thursday, Aug. 20th, for the initial football practice of the Mountaineers.  
 The boys will undergo physical checkups on Friday, and then Coaches C. E. Weatherby, Bruce Jaynes and Bill Swift plan to get down to business with basic training for the entire squad.  
 With 17 lettermen lost by graduation, the coaches are not making any predictions, and just waiting to see who turns out for practice on the 20th.  
 The 1953 schedule is not quite complete, as there remains two open dates, but only one will be filled. The Mountaineers have nine games slated for the season, and under the new rules of the state athletic commission, can only play 10 games. Waynesville has usually played an 11-game schedule.  
 The open dates are on October 16th, and November 6. The coaching staff hopes to be able to fill one of the dates for the 10th game of the season.  
 The Mountaineers will open the season by going to Sylva, on September 11, and one week later will meet the Bethel Blue Devils here for the first home game.  
 The only out-of-state game is at Greeneville, Tenn. The game with Anderson will not be played, as the Anderson High for Boys coaches had to proceed with their schedule while the N. C. General Assembly was considering a bill to prohibit out-of-state games. Waynesville and Anderson have played a two-game series, each having won a game.  
 Other games scheduled for the Mountaineers will include Murphy Mars Hill, who replaces Christ School on the list, Hendersonville, Brevard and the usual dual games with Canton—there the first game and here on Thanksgiving.

### ★ Baseball Stars ★

EUGENE RICHARD (GENE) WOODLING . . . Outfielder New York Yankees . . . Born Aug. 16, 1922, Akron, O. . . Five feet 9½ inches, weighs 185 pounds . . . Throws right, bats left . . . First organized team was Mansfield in Ohio State League in 1940 where he batted .398 to lead league . . . Up to Flint in Michigan State League where he batted .394 to win batting crown . . . In 1942 and 1943 with Wilkes Barre, Pa., in Eastern League . . . His .344 won batting honors there in '43 . . . Acquired by Cleveland Indians but went into military service for two years . . . In 1946 was traded to Pittsburgh Pirates for Al Lopez . . . Sent down to Newark of International League in 1947 then to San Francisco in Pacific Coast League, 1948 . . . Batted .385 to win batting title on coast . . . Purchased by Yankees in 1949 on Casey Stengel's suggestion . . . Played in four World Series with average of .323 for 20 games . . . Hobby—fishing.

## Black Bears Will Start Gridiron Practice Sat.

The Canton Black Bears will report for their first 1953 season practice Saturday morning, Coach Don Hipps has just announced.  
 Hipps is attending Peabody University at Nashville, Tenn., this summer, completing his scholastic work for a master's degree. He will return to his home in Canton to day.  
 He issued a call to all candidates for the Black Bear squad to meet at Canton's Memorial Stadium at 10 o'clock Friday morning when equipment will be issued.  
 He expects to get right down to hard work Saturday.  
 Boyd Allen, who is director of Canton's Memorial Recreation Park this summer, will be back again as Hipps' assistant.  
 Hipps said that he would not have any idea as to season prospects until his squad reports. He was optimistic last spring, but while he has been away several of the boys he was counting on have entered military service.

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