



The City Softball League will open its schedule on Monday night, May 18th, with Roanoke No. 1 and Patterson clashing at Roanoke No. 2 field. On Tuesday night Company D Engineers will lock horns with Halifax Paper at Patterson field. Then on Wednesday night Rosemary Romancos and Roanoke No. 2 will start their feud all over again. This setup will give each field a big opening night.

The league has a nice group of umpires to work the schedule headed by Mac Outland, former Romanco star, who heads the umpires' organization. They have Vester Finch, semi-pro baseball star; Pete Ferrell, former Roanoke Mills softballer, and Jesse Sewell, Romanco Bee team player of last year. The umpires plan to take the A.S.A. umpires' examination next week and join the American softball umpires association so that they will be available for all tournament play in the state. All umpires will be dressed in official umpires' dress. Mac Outland deserves a lot of credit for insisting that the umpires' organization be official all the way.

Lieutenant Bob Moore and Lieutenant Graham Waite deserve a lot of credit for the time and work they are putting in the city league organization and setup. After their commanding officer, Lieutenant Dodson, who, incidentally, is one helluva good egg, okayed Company D to put a team in the city league, well! Moore and Waite really "dug in and went to town". To show the high esteem in which both are held by local softballers, Moore is vice-president of the league and Waite is secretary and treasurer. Both are more than doing their part to make the league a success.

"Dark horses" of the City Softball League will probably be Coach Paul Harris and his Roanoke No. 1 "Riversiders". You haven't heard much about this Roanoke No. 1 team, but with two

capable hurlers like "King Carl" Ray and "Red" Jones, they are going to be in the thick of the fight before the season it out.

Another team that no one seems to notice is the Halifax Paper Corp. A bad smell comes from down there every now and then, but it's not their softball team. They have two very good pitchers in "Ace" Carlisle and Loyd Nethercutt, while Frank Everett is not far behind. Watch them when the chips are down.

SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE ROMANCO SOFTBALL TEAM WOULD DO WELL TO REMEMBER THE SPIRIT AND FIGHT ALWAYS DISPLAYED, . . . ESPECIALLY WHEN THE GOING GOT TOUGH . . . BY PIG RIGGAN, WHO ONCE PLAYED . . . FOR THE ROMANCOS . . . REMEMBER!

The regular Saturday night square dance will get underway at 8 p.m. promptly this week at Rosemary Recreation Club, 1100 Franklin St. Music is by that "man with a band", Overton "Blondy" Cook and his red hot "Carolina Hill Billies". You are invited to attend one of the finest square dances held in this section. Men in the armed forces of the United State will find a welcome sign on the door.

"Chippy" Simms, flashy short-stop on the Romancos, is playing the best softball of his career. The short and stumpy one is a ball of fire at the plate and outfield. In fact, the whole infield is throwing the ball around and hustling in mid-season form. Coach Doug Worsham has Capt. "Lefty" Everett at first, the veteran Chet Allsbrook at second, and old reliable Jimmy Hudson at third. And they are all better than ever.

Pickups N' Putouts: Scenes from back of the dugout . . . Company G softballers got a look at Russ DeBerry and his slants last Tuesday . . . in a practice game at Ledgerwood . . . One

thing you can say about the Engineers, they keep fighting . . . The N.C.O. group is rushing the Nurses Home . . . Don't blame the "Sarj's" a bit . . . You should hear Roland "Choo Choo" Johnson and W. T. McConnell get in a "bull session". They can really get you on the "S" list . . . Most popular place in town . . . Allie Wood's pool parlor . . . The Romanco girls have evidently disbanded for the season . . . Well! . . . Home on leave, Corp. "Swink" Lee . . . McDill Field, Fla. . . Welcome "El Swinko" . . . Rumors! . . . A certain young lady in Patterson is now sporting a diamond . . . may be wedding bells . . . which surely has nothing to do with "Liberty" Bell! . . . Bring four more, the Finn just come in!

Ann greeted her guests and directed them to the hostess' table, which was centered with a birthday cake decorated with six candles. She, assisted by her mother and teacher, served each guest with ice cream and individual cakes bearing each child's name. Favors were story-books.

Later stories, games and rhythms were enjoyed by the group which consisted of: Ann Smith, Patsy Warwick, Iris Faye Sullivan, Mary Ann Womble, Betty Bardin, Harriett Bloom, Mary Ann Dickens, Fred Fayed, Ben Thatch Parker, Jr., Bill Savage, Walter Gray, Michael Johnson, Carl Thompson, Jr., Freddie Mar-

tin, Byron Brockwell, Marion Hudson, Jr., and Eugene Beale, Special guests were: Jane White, Barrett Proctor, Martha Boggs Smith, Carolyn Davis, Margaret Griffin, Blanche Womble and Benjy Parker of Emporia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hudson, Mrs. P. W. Pearson, Mrs. J. M. Ingram, Pearson and Jimmy Ingram visited Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Pearson in Valentine, Va. Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wrenn of West Point, Va. spent the weekend in town with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rook.

Celebrates Birthday

Ann Smith was hostess to members of her kindergarten class and a few other friends on Friday, May 1, at Clara Hearne school. The occasion was her sixth birthday.

The room was gay with spring flowers and other decorations.

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