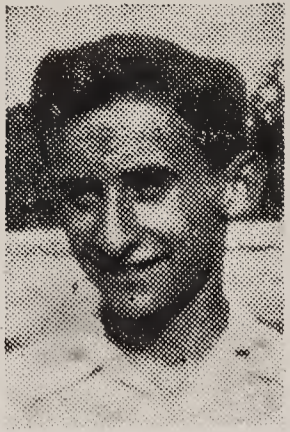


Cat Chatter

By HOUSTON TEAGUE



We'll tell you a fact, friends. If you missed going down the creek on the picnic last week, you really missed something—a backache. It was certainly a lot of fun—the picnic, we mean.

Coach Stanbach states that work will be started this week to lift the face of the baseball field a bit. It is reported that a hard hit ball struck a rut near second base recently, and took wings and soared through the glass in a second story window of grammar school.

Seriously, spectators are warned not to sit too close to the baseball diamond.

The school has secured some very fine equipment for the team this year.

The bats swing a little heavy this time of year, as usual. The fellows are thinking of getting some fungoes for us on hot days.

There is one sport that will always attract the crowd. That is girl's soft-ball. After studying the subjects carefully, we are able to say that the team is coming along wonderfully.

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Baseball Practice Enters Second Week As Squad Is Cut To 23

Girls' Softball Team Begins Workouts

Forty-five girls turned out for soft-ball practice last Tuesday when the 1945 club was organized. Miss "Butch" Hodges and Miss Dot Ensign, U. N. C. students, are giving their time to coaching the team.

Among those who have reported for practice are: Beryl Ward, Clyde Pridgen, Betty Sue Duncan, Mary Helen McFarland, Madge Crawford, Nannie Mae Womble, Lois Sparrow, Phyllis Ferguson, Helen Jane Wettach, Bootsie Taylor.

Finding it practically impossible to mold a winning team with so many candidates out for baseball, Coach Bud Stanbach cut the club down to twenty-three players last Monday. Because C. H. H. S. was late in beginning practice, Stanbach would not have had time to give the needed workout to more than this number of players.

With approximately ten lettermen remaining from former season the Wildcats are expected to have a good season.

The candidates with their positions are as follows: Infielders—Teague, Riggsbee, Gobel, Carrol, T. Durham, Cornwell, Holleman, Cheek. Outfielders—Carmichael, Roy Lloyd, Earl Bush, Womble, Olsen, Sparrow, B. Farrell, Robert Lloyd. Pitchers—B. Lloyd, Blake, L. Smith, S. Lineberger. Catchers—Perry Whitfield.

G. I. Alumni To Be Awarded Diplomas

Recently, Principal A. W. Honeycutt announced that the members of the armed forces who were in C. H. H. S. and did not complete enough work to graduate will be able to receive diplomas under the following plan: They can get high school credits by taking certain courses offered to them in the armed forces. After completing these the government will send his or her records to the school. If they meet certain standards the students will be able to receive full credit for it.

For instance, James Gooch, '42, who is in the Quartermaster Corps, needed several more credits before he could graduate when he left high school. He has taken several courses and expects to receive his diploma shortly. This is a wonderful opportunity for everyone who is not able to finish his high school career because of the war.

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