

Oak Grove Holds Lead In Softball League

By JIM HOLSHOUSE

Oak Grove's defending champions moved into a tie for first place in Boone's softball league last week as they took an easy 24-3 decision over the newly-formed Recreation Center team. (The latter club replaces the VFW in league competition.) Rain halted Tuesday night's opening games, and action got under way on Thursday night.

Charles Taylor and George Richardson hit home runs in the first inning as the Oak Grove club took an early lead, but the Recreation club bounced back in the third with a pair of tallies. Leading by only one run in the sixth inning, Oak Grove broke up the close contest by exploding for 20 runs. Eight home runs sparked the rally in the sixth frame as 25 men went to bat.

Jimmy Greene pitched the entire game for the winners, while Bobby Watkins hurled for the Recreation team.

Elsewhere in the league, the Presbyterians and the Baptists remained in the three-way tie for the top spot as they took first round decisions from the Mountain Lion and IRC clubs. All other games were rained out and will be played at a later date.

The Presbyterians defeated the Mountain Lions on Thursday evening by a 13-5 count, with Reger Thomas and Bill Stanley supplying the scoring power at the plate. The Presbyterians' new one-two punch found the range early, and when the smoke had cleared, Tho-

mas had hit two homers, and Stanley had batted out two triples.

Fast-balling Frank Eller kept the Mt. Lions hits well-scattered to gain his first decision of the new season. Snow went the distance for the Mountain Lions and was the loser.

In Friday night's action, the Baptists topped the IRC team, 11-5, behind the pitching of A. B. Crew. The Baptists jumped into a 2-0 lead in the first inning and were never headed as they took their first victory against no defeats. Melvin Norris pitched for the IRC and also hit a home run in the losing cause.

Ted Barnett and Stacy Eggers led the Baptist hitting attack with a homer and a triple respectively. The entire contest was played in a drizzling rain which washed out the other contest of the evening.

Results of the week (standings include games through Friday):

Tuesday—Baptists vs. Perkinsville, rain; Methodists vs. IRC, rain.

Thursday—Oak Grove 24, Recreation Center 3; Presbyterians 13, Mt. Lions 5.

Friday—Perkinsville vs. Recreation Center, rain; Baptists 11, IRC 5.

Standings:

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| Oak Grove | 1 | 0 |
| Presbyterians | 1 | 0 |
| Baptists | 1 | 0 |
| Methodists | 0 | 0 |
| Perkinsville | 0 | 0 |
| IRC | 0 | 1 |
| Mt. Lions | 0 | 1 |
| Rec'n Center | 0 | 1 |

Silverstone News Items

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Wilson were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moretz and children of Mead Camp, Mr. and Mrs. Blain Wilson of Boone, and Mr. Delano Hienburger of Guilford, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moody visited Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Greer on Brushy Fork Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Clay Fletcher and Mrs. Ronda Greene visited Mrs. Roby Wilson Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Wilson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fletcher visited with Mrs. Baxter Wilson Sunday.

Aunt Fanny Davis and Mrs. Rom Lawrence are very sick at their home here.

Mr. Grady Davis of Cleveland, Ohio is visiting with relatives here.

Mrs. Emory Mitchell spent Saturday night with her sister Mrs.

Grace Hart of Granite Falls.

Mrs. George Thomas, Mrs. Charles Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greer and Mr. Cicero Greer were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mitchell.

Mr. Grover Isaacs of Stony Fork visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Isaacs Sunday. Also visiting them was Mr. Tom Perry.

Those visiting Mrs. E. C. Greene Saturday night was Mr. and Mrs. Jack Colvard, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hollars, Mrs. Jim Hollars, all of Villas, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Fletcher, and Mrs. Rosa Isaacs.

Mr. Bobby Greene spent last week with Mrs. Jim Hollars of Villas.

Zionville News Notes

Visitors the past week in the home of Mrs. Alice Greer were Mr. and Mrs. Avery Ruten of Burbank, Calif., Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Greer, Chapel Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Greer, Morganton.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Fardue and family of Shouns, Tenn. visited Mr. and Mrs. Clay Reese recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Greer and family of Kingsport, Tenn. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Howard Greer.

Mrs. Gordon Nelson of Lenoir spent the week with Mrs. Lillie Thomas.

Miss Donna Wilson spent the week end in Winston-Salem.

Mr. Bobby Greer spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wilkinson in Knoxville, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson and Naron visited Sunday with Mrs. Floye Proffitt on Mead Camp.

Mrs. Charlie Lewis of Boone, Rt. 2 will visit indefinitely with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle.

Visitors last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Triplett were Mrs. R. L. Wooten and four children, Miss Jo Ann Wooten of Ferguson, Miss Jeanette Mikel of Millers Creek, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Triplett, Mrs. R. D. Wellborn and daughter, Jan. of Deep Gap, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Miller, and Mr. and Mrs. Boice Triplett and family of Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Triplett visited Monday with Mrs. Triplett's mother, Mrs. I. S. Welch in North Wilkesboro.

"EXPANSIONARY MOVEMENT"

Further rises in retail trade, non-agricultural employment, industrial production and construction during April led the Department of Commerce to predict recently a "continuation of the expansionary movement."

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Tobacco growers are asked to give all assistance possible to the reporters in order that a good performance job may be accomplished. They are asked to show the reporter all the fields on which tobacco is being grown, as well as other crops. It is their responsibility to assist in carrying the tape in measuring all necessary fields, and give whatever information necessary for complete performance.

The reporter will make no computations in the field. Growers should not embarrass him by asking him to do so. All official computations will be made in the county office. Growers in excess of their allotment will be notified at once in order that they take the

necessary steps to bring their acreage within the allotment.

A letter covering the performance work in detail is being mailed each grower. He is urged to keep this letter handy so that he may follow whatever instructions may apply to his farm.

News From Willow Valley Section

Mr. and Mrs. Drake Walsh of North Wilkesboro visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wilkinson of Knoxville, Tenn. were visitors in this community recently.

Mrs. Adrain Yates and children of Baltimore, Md. are spending the week with relatives of this community and Matney section.

Miss Carolyn Hagaman of Sugar Grove visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Harmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker Ward of Bethel spent Saturday afternoon visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Custer Ward.

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