

**Babe Ruth**

**Officials To**

**Meet Tuesday**

Lloyd Harris, president of the newly organized Babe Ruth Baseball League that will serve youngsters in West Charlotte, said Monday that the "league is progressing beautifully."

"We'll meet Tuesday night at the McCrorey Branch YMCA to discuss the schedule, rules of the organization, condition of the playing fields and plan dates for pre-season practice sessions," Harris pointed out.

The league, which will provide recreation for boys in the 13-15 age bracket, will play a 10-game schedule, starting in late May or early June.

"We aren't sure when we'll start playing," Harris explained. "We have to wait until school closes before we get underway."

**McGirt Predicts**

**Bulls' Success**

Head Coach Eddie McGirt of the Johnson C. Smith University Golden Bulls hesitates to predict the success of his team and the performances of his star players.

"I'm waiting until the Spring Football Game before I make any predictions," said the friendly and successful coach of the preannual Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference powers.

Over 80 young men have been practicing on spring afternoons in preparation for the annual Blue-Gold game to be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 23.

They are running patterns and learning defensive strategy in anticipation of a fall schedule that is highlighted by a Homecoming game against the Eagles of North Carolina Central University on November 5 and a visit by the South Carolina State Bulldogs on October 8.

Other home games, all of which will be played in Charlotte Memorial Stadium, include Virginia Union on September 17 at 8 p.m.; Livingstone on October 15 at 8 p.m.; and Virginia State on November 19 at 1:30 p.m.

On the road the Bulls will face Lenoir Rhyne in Hickory on September 10 in their opening game at 7:30 p.m.; Hampton at 1:30 p.m.; North Carolina A&T in Greensboro at 7 p.m. on October 1; Shaw in Raleigh on October 22 at 1:30 p.m.

**WHERE THEY PLAY**

**TRIPLE COUNTY BASEBALL LEAGUE**

SATURDAY, April 23  
Westside at Charlotte Hawks  
Red Birds at Kings Mtn.  
Hoskins at Rock Hill  
Raiders at Town-Country  
B.T. Express at Char. Mets  
Royal Bums at Bisco  
Norwood at Morning Grove  
Tigers at Albemarle  
New London at Trojans  
Morris Field at Bombers



Haywood Stevenson left, congratulates Donald Littlejohn, his playing partner in the annual Par Buster 4-Ball Golf Tournament. Harold "Big Boy" Teeter, John Love and Robert Sanders, members of the organization's tournament committee are shown in the background. Stevenson and Littlejohn won the championship flight with a nine-under-par 135 (67-68) for the 36 holes.

**Nelson, Whittington Saves**

**Omega Little League Franchise**

Because of the commitment of young Dennis O'Brien Nelson and former city councilman Jim Whittington, about 90 boys will get the opportunity to play baseball this summer.

The combined efforts of Nelson and Whittington have made it possible for the continuation of the Omega Little League which operates with six baseball teams in the westside community.

"We hardly made it through last season," Nelson said Monday afternoon. "And we felt that we were through as a league until Mr. Whittington came along." Nelson continued, "Mr. Whittington helped us a great deal and pointed us in the right direction."

The young man discounts his own involvement with, "I have a lot of praise for my old coach Richard 'Hank' Sartors, who made a contribution to the young boys in the Fairview Home area. I thought that maybe helping young boys should be my commitment to my community."

Nelson has obligated himself to the tremendous task of rounding up dedicated coaches for each of the six teams and to help them to fill their rosters with eager young boys between the ages of nine and 12.

"I think it most gratifying that, with Mr. Whittington's help, we can provide recreation for these boys who otherwise would be left alone to fill the idle time that sometimes breeds crime in the community."

Nelson, who is a member of C.E. Jenkins United Presbyterian Church, also has praise for Curly Nimmons, who has helped "considerably with the

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rebuilding of the league" that has been floundering for about seven years.

According to Nelson, the league will play a 10-game schedule, beginning with the first week in May. Games will be played on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.

Double Oaks, McCrorey YMCA, Oaklawn, Waddell Park, Westside and West Charlotte compose the League. Charles Harvell and Marvin Springs will manage Double Oaks, Eddie Kennedy is the leader of the YMCA nine, with James Potts managing Oaklawn, Nimmons Waddell Park, Jasper Ray Westside and Johnny Foster at West Charlotte.

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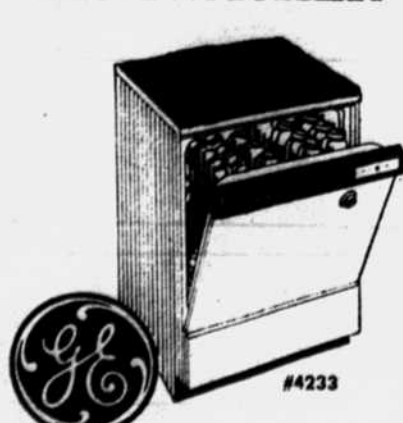


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