

# Manufacturers Open Season Here Saturday

## Excellent Team Is Outlook As 20 Men Try Out

Enka Will Be Hazelwood's Opponents for Opening Game at 3:30 Here Saturday

The 1941 baseball season officially opens here Saturday afternoon at 3:30 when the Hazelwood Manufacturers meet the Rayon makers from Enka on the diamond at the High school in the first game of the Industrial loop.

Hazelwood was scheduled to go to Enka for the opening game, but due to the condition of the Enka diamond due to the floods of last fall, the field is not suitable for play and the game was switched here.

The prospects for the Manufacturers for the coming season is the brightest in several years, as the team is made up of younger blood and of players that are interested in the game as has been shown the past week when around 20 prospects have been practicing hard and regular.

There are of course a number of players that saw service last season, but there are also a number of newcomers in the squad that will be handy to fall back on.

In the past several seasons, the Manufacturers have been at a disadvantage in the number of reserves that were available, this season that handicap will be eliminated and with almost three teams practicing hard the reserve problem should be solved.

The team will don new uniforms this season, which will add to the color of the game. Last season there was a "duke's mixture" of uniforms with no two being alike.

The pitching staff for the season seems to be well cared for in the form of the old standby, "Lefty" Bob Putman, Douglas Holsenback, J. C. Burrell, Gene Wyatt and Ed Mangus, with the possibility that one or two more will be added at

# Softball League Composed Of 12 Teams

a later date. The other end of the battery will be filled by Gordon Wyatt or Stanley Henry. This position behind the bat was hit bad when the National Guards were called to camp, but with these two behind the plate, the situation should be well in hand. Another probable catcher will be Sammy Lane, who has seen two years of catching in softball and should be an asset to the baseball nine.

The probable starting lineup for the opening game Saturday, other than the batteries which assistant manager, Jerry Rogers, was still turning over in his head, will be Tom Campbell covering the first base sack, Glenn "Stumpy" Wyatt on second, Joe Scruggs at the hot spot, Clyde "Dutch" Fisher at third, Carroll Truett in left field, Bud Blacklock in center and Furman Wyatt or Mont Wright in right field.

Both manager George Bishoff and assistant manager Jerry Rogers are well pleased with the way the team is shaping up, but were inclined to keep most of their opinions to themselves until after the first game.

This season will find some of the most competent umpires on the field. The umpires had to be placed before the league officials for approval and the ones that will officiate on the local diamond will be James "Bug" Kuykendall, Bill Chambers, Jr., and Sam Knight all of whom were approved by the league.

A small admission fee will be charged for the games to help with the upkeep of the team and the diamond.

The Manufacturers will be seen at home for the first three games of the season, giving local fans a chance to see just what the prospects will be for the season.

## 2-League Plan Will Be Used; Boyd Re-elected

Directors Vote to Continue As Sponsor of Athletic Program, With Weatherby As Head

The 12-team WHL Softball League will operate during the coming season under a similar setup as last year, the general board of directors decided last night.

The two-league plan — major league of eight teams, and the minor of four—will formally open the season during the week of May 19-26. This will be determined by the schedule committee, composed of George Bishoff, C. E. Weatherby and Ed C. Wagenfeld.

The strong Esso team of last year withdrew from the league, together with the American Legion. One new team—Reliable Jewelers was voted into the league. The directors had not heard from the Erkratt team, as Mr. Erik has been out of town.

The teams now in the major league are: Unagusta, Tannery, No. 1, Pet Dairy, Clyde, Lions Club, Boosters Club, Royle and Pilkington and Reliable Jewelers.

The minor league is composed of Jonathans Creek, Rotary, Tannery No. 2 and Underwood Novelty have tentatively accepted.

The directors will continue as sponsor of the athletic program, which was inaugurated last year, with C. E. Weatherby in charge of the activities, as well as serving with George Bishoff as umpire for all games. Most of his time will be devoted to supervising play of 'teen age boys and girls.

The general plan of having a player's pool, of one man from each team allowing any team to use as many as two of the pool players in any one game was adopted.

At an earlier meeting of the directors, J. R. Boyd was re-elected president and Paul Davis as secretary-treasurer of the league.

Bill Toohey was granted the concessions and will also be in charge of the public address system and act as scorekeeper.

The players of most teams are enthused over the coming season, and some have started active workouts.

## Canton Teams Take Track Meet Honors

Canton took top honors in both the boys and girls division of the annual Blue Ridge Conference track meet last Friday before a large crowd at Canton, as many previous conference records were shattered.

Waynesville's boys came in for third place, to fall just one point behind the second place team—Bryson City.

The girls from Canton and Waynesville were the only ones to participate, and Canton ran up 47 points, and Waynesville gathered 38.

Fowler and Rhea, both of Canton, took top honors in the dashes and jumping.

New records were established in both the broad and high jump, with Rhea winning first place in each

event. In the boys division, Canton won 51 points, Bryson City 28, Waynesville 27, Tryon 3 and Marshall 1.

The events and participants and records, were:

50-yd. dash—Fowler (C), Rhea (C), Passmore (BC), Ledford (W). 5.3 second, new record.

75-yd. dash—Rhea (C), Fowler (C), Crisp (BC), Inman (W). 8 seconds, tied record.

100-yd. dash—Fowler (C), Rhea (C), Crisp (BC), Ledford (W). 10.5 second, new record.

800-yd. relay—Waynesville, Canton, Bryson City, Marshall. 1 minute 32.5 seconds, record 1 minute 31.5 seconds.

High jump—Rhea (C), Crisp (BC), Sutton (C), Greene (T). 6 feet 1 1-2 inches, new record.

Broad jump—Rhea (C), Williams (BC), E. Crisp (BC), Ledford (W). 20 feet 8 inches, new record.

Football Punt—Williams (BC), Wyatt (W), Fowler (C), Rhea (C). 180 feet, new record.

Shot Put—Milner (W), Ledford (W), Mitchell (BC), Greene (T). 40 feet 3 inches, record 43 feet 1 inch.

Girls Division

30-yd. dash—Burrell (C), Sheehan (W), Trout (W), Wood (C). 4 seconds, tied record.

50-yd. dash—Burrell (C), Sheehan (W), Trout (W), Wood (C). 6.5 seconds, record 6.1 seconds.

75-yd. dash—Burrell (C), Plott (W), Sutton (C), record 8.5 seconds.

400-yd. relay—Waynesville, Bryson City, Marshall, record 55.8 seconds.

High jump—Plott (W), Robertson (C), Grogan (C), record 4 feet 6 inches, record 4 feet 6 inches.

Broad jump—Sheehan (C), Sutton (W), record 15 feet 1 inch, record 7 inches.

Baseball throw—Atkinson (C), M. Chapman (W), 180 feet 6 inches, record 181 feet.

Basketball throw—Burrell (C), Sheehan (W), 79 feet 8 inches, record 8 inches.



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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Tex Ritter and his horse "White Flash" in

### "ARIZONA FRONTIER"

STARRING "Arkansas Slim" Andrews and Jim Thorpe Also Chapter 4 of "THE GREEN ARCHER"

SUNDAY

Take a long laugh trip with the Higgin's Family in

### "COVERED TRAILER"

STARRING James Gleason, Lucille Gleason and Russel Gleason, in a riot of laughter, as they "take off" in a trailer.

MONDAY and TUESDAY

### "THREE SONS"

With Edward Ellis, William Gargan and Kent Taylor. They wasted the millions they made with heartbreaks...

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

### "MURDER ON THE YUKON"

With James Newill and Polly Ann Young. A Royal Mounted Police Story with thrills galore.

## The Star Theatre

THURSDAY

The mystery film which thrilled a packed house last night, is showing again tonight—"The Man In The Iron Mask." The masterpiece of the world's famous story teller. This is the type picture that keeps the audience wondering "what next"—and it happens.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

Tex Ritter will occupy first place in the thriller: "Arizona Frontier" which takes you right into the heart of the west where men are men and guns blaze with accuracy and speed. Tex's horse, "White Flash" seems to try and outdo his former master acting.

On the same program will be chapter four of that gripping and thrilling serial, "The Green Archer." This chapter deals with the Vanishing Jewels—in which mystery and suspense hold sway.

SUNDAY

One of the first pictures shown at the Star, was the "Earl of Puddstone," starring The Higgin's Family. The demand for more of their work, has brought to the screen for Sunday, another of their features: "The Covered Trailer." This one hits a new high in laughs. There is not a sour note in the entire film, and when the family takes off in a trailer, things begin to happen thick and fast...

MONDAY and TUESDAY

Another of those films where money does not count. The three sons, go the limit in "Three Sons" to attain their desires, and then—well that would be telling, but you'll enjoy Edward Ellis, William Gargan and Kent Taylor in this one.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

The Royal Mounted Police will ride across the screen in all their pomp and pride in "Murder on the Yukon." Up in the wild country, where it takes a he-man to tame super men, James Newill and Polly Ann Young star in this north-west production.

# SATURDAY APRIL 26 LAST DAY TO REGISTER

New Registration Required of All Voters in Town of Waynesville

Regardless of whether a person is registered now or not, he or she must register to vote in the town election, which will be held on Tuesday, May 6th.

Registrar, Frank D. Ferguson will be at the court house all day Saturday, April 19 and 26 with books for registration.

All Voters, Regardless of Party Affiliation, Are Urged to Register Remember--You Can't Vote Unless You Register

Waynesville Board of Elections