

# W. H. L. 9-Team Softball League To Open May 2

## 9 Local Teams Preparing For A Banner Season

Many Improvements Made On Athletic Field For Games Four Nights Weekly

The Waynesville-Hazelwood-Lake Junaluska Softball League will begin play on Monday night, May 20th, on the diamond at the high school, according to E. C. Wagenfeld, secretary of the league.

Mr. Wagenfeld announced that nine teams had entered the league this year and that each team was scheduled to play 24 games during the season.

The teams in the league include: Dayton Rubber, Boosters Club, Unagusta, Tannery, Lions Club, Pet Dairy, Youth Center, High School and Veteran of Foreign Wars.

The lights have been connected and are ready for play, and a number of improvements have been made on the diamond, including the moving of the backstop and extending the wire down along the third base line to protect spectators in the stands.

There will be a small charge of 15c for admission to the games, with children in the 10th grade or under admitted free. The season tickets, which will go on sale next week, are priced at \$1.50 for the fifty-six playing days.

According to Secretary Wagenfeld, several of the teams have not turned in a list of their players and forfeit money. This will have to be done by opening date so as the team can qualify for play.

It is anticipated that during the season a number of All-Star games will be played on off nights with teams of like manner from other towns near-by. The season ticket will not be good at these games.

A complete schedule of the local softball season will be ready for publication next week, according to Mr. Wagenfeld, who has a few more details to work out before presenting it to the public.

## Babe Ruth Going To Mexico Parley

MEXICO CITY — Mexican League President Jorge Pasquel says Babe Ruth will leave New York on May 15th to talk over a possible job in his baseball loop.

According to Pasquel, Ruth will fly to the Mexican capital and be guest at the Pasquel mansion while, as Don Jorge puts it, "We talk over a few things."

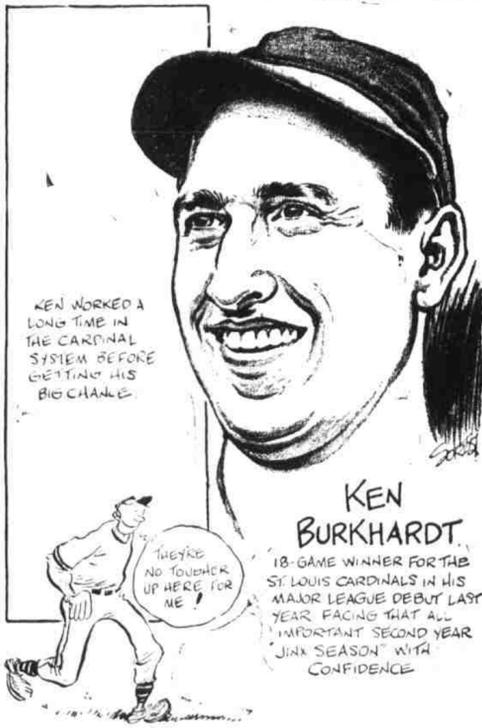
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# Trout Fishermen Break Records In Sherwo

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**KEN BURKHARDT**, 18-GAME WINNER FOR THE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS IN HIS MAJOR LEAGUE DEBUT LAST YEAR, FACING THAT ALL-IMPORTANT SECOND YEAR JUNK SEASON WITH CONFIDENCE.

## 1946 Sale Of Fishing Licenses Exceeds 1945 By \$1,258

Nantahala Hardware Store, Canton, Leading In Sales, With Massie's Close Second

"It looks like everybody in the county and everybody who is visiting here are trying to go trout fishing," said Rufus Rateliff, county game and fish warden.

"I have been practically all over the county during the week and rain or shine it made no difference, the banks of all the streams were lined with fishermen," he continued.

"But I guess the biggest proof is the sale of licenses. This time last year they totaled \$804 and now they have reached \$2,122, an increase of \$1,258," he explained.

There have been around 200 county licenses sold and around 840 state licenses sold, it was learned from Mr. Rateliff.

The Nantahala Hardware store

## Scores On Hand For Opener; Good Catches Reported

The opening day of the trout season in Sherwood Forest drew 316 fishermen, many of whom arrived at the entrance before sunrise.

By 5 o'clock a. m. there were sixty-seven cars carrying many impatient and eager fishermen, lined up at the entrance to the Sherwood station on Saturday morning, according to Rufus Rateliff, Haywood county game and fish protector, who was in charge of checking in the sportsmen.

During the two-day period, Saturday and Sunday, there was a total of 1,651 legal sized trout caught and taken home by fishermen, who numbered for the two day period 447. On Saturday there were 316 while Sunday the number dropped to 137. Of the total there were approximately seventy-five women.

William Carroll, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Carroll, of Canton, was the first sportsman to complete his catch of 12. All the trout measured around 12 inches in length, which the young fisherman expertly landed in 30 minutes after he cast his first line.

There were reported only three violators who tried to get away with more than the official limit, and all were fined.

The Sherwood Forest area was claimed by the district officials to be the most popular fishing area during the two day period of all government and state controlled property in this section, it was learned from Mr. Rateliff.

## Canton To Meet Sayles Bleachery On Saturday P. M.

By ED SPEARS (Staff Correspondent)

The unknown quality of Sayles - Bleachery's baseball nine will face the leading Champion "Y" team in the first W. N. C. Industrial league game to be played on the Canton high school diamond this spring.

Ken Rymer is slated to begin the mound work for Manager J. M. Crawford, with Walt Spence behind the plate when the game opens at 3:30 Saturday afternoon. Rymer showed up well in last week's league opener against Martel Mills by holding his team's narrow lead for the last three innings.

With all other games in the league rained-out, the Canton team jumped into top standing by trouncing Martel Mills 2 to 0 last Saturday in Asheville. Gene Grogan turned in an excellent pitching performance by limiting the Martel batters to three hits during the first six innings, and Rymer stayed in control the remainder of the game. German Miller and Walt Spence led Champion's offense, which netted eight hits off two moundsmen.

Western Carolina's Catamounts, however, handed Champion a 17-7 loss as the two teams practiced with each other Monday afternoon at Canton. Starting without the regular line-up, the Canton men could not control the hard hitting collegians, but have a return engagement scheduled May 13th at W. C. to seek revenge.

Saturday's score: R. H. E. Canton 000 000 110-2 8 2 Martel 000 000 000-0 4 3 Grogan, Rymer and Spence; Israel, Brown and Lyles.

Monday's score: R. H. E. W. C. 141 310 511-17 17 0 Canton 101 030 002-7 8 0 Beam, English and Henry; J. Rogers, Miller, Grogan and Spence. (Not kept by scorekeeper).

## Ammunition Shortage Reported For Next Fall

John Martin, Editor of the New Southern Outdoors, tells a gloomy story about ammunition prospects for next season. Visiting the Remington factory at Bridgeport, he says ammunition officials foresee fewer shotgun shells in 1947-47 than last season. Powder's no object it seems, but the shutdowns in lead producing plants in Mexico and Utah since the first of the year have reduced the potential supply of lead over 25,000 tons, says Martin. But this is the fishing season, so let's wait and see!

## Fred Whitman Taking Decorator's Course

Fred Whitman is taking a special course in decorating cakes under Joseph Lamberth, recognized leading authority in the field. Mr. Whitman is the son of W. H. Whitman, owner of Pearce's Bakery. The course will take ten days, and is being held in Hendersonville for bakers of Western North Carolina. This is the first school of its kind to be conducted since the war.

## Hazelwood Baseballers Journey To Ecusta For Opener Next Saturday

Scheduled To Play W. C. T. C. This Afternoon; Last Week's Game Postponed

The Hazelwood Industrial baseball team is scheduled to go to Western Carolina Teachers College this afternoon for a game, after being rained out for last Saturday's opener with Enka.

This Saturday the Hazelwood sluggers will go to Ecusta for their first meeting of the season.

Manager Bud Blalock has been putting the players through daily practices, and all are in good condition to play their opener. Joining the ranks this week was Bill Milner, former Waynesville and Marine gridiron star. Milner will work in the outfield and is expected to do some star performing at the plate.

The Canton-Martel Mills game was the only league game played last Saturday. The Sayles-Ecusta game was also rained out.

The Canton-Martel Mills game was a nip and tuck affair, with Canton pushing over two runs. Geogan and Rymer were pitchers for Canton, while Spence received. Matrel Mills batteries were Israel, Brown and Lyles.

R. H. E. Canton 2 6 2 Martel Mills 0 4 3

The WNC schedule is composed of 21 games with the season closing on September 21. All games are carried for Saturday afternoon play. A play-off series of the top teams will follow the end of the straight playing season.

At a meeting of league officials and managers held last Friday, Green River Mills of Tuxedo, was awarded the vacant league berth but has not definitely accepted as yet. Green River will play its opening game on May 18, providing the team enters.

Raymond F. Bennett of Ecusta is president of the organization and Jimmy Williamson of Canton is secretary-treasurer.

## Canton Football Team To Play 13 Games This Fall

Seven of the 13 games to be played by the Canton high school football team this autumn will be on the Black Bears home field.

Starting with Greeneville, Tenn., the night of Sept. 6th the pigskin combination of Coach C. C. Poindester will face the toughest opposition scheduled in years. Since no spring practice is being held, the Black Bear mentor states that the only thing about his team of which he is sure is that it will meet some of the strongest teams in North Carolina and Tennessee.

Franklin, Hayesville and Morganton Deaf have been dropped from the 1945 schedule, which ended with eight wins, two losses, and a tie with Morganton. Greeneville, Tenn., Forest City, Brevard and Reidsville, the state class B champion, replace these.

The usual scrap for Haywood county honors will start the night of Oct. 11th on the Waynesville field, and end Thanksgiving Day when the Mountaineers come to Canton to complete the Black Bear's schedule.

All home games in the following schedule will be played at night with the exception of the last one: Sept. 6, Greeneville, Tenn. (Here) Sept. 14, Erwin, Tenn. (Here) Sept. 21, Warren-Wilson (Here) Sept. 27, Morganton (Here) Oct. 4, Forest City (There) Oct. 11, Waynesville (There) Oct. 19, Asheville School (Here) Oct. 25, Sylva (There) Nov. 1, Brevard (Here) Nov. 9, Christ School (There) Nov. 15, Reidsville (There) Nov. 23, Asheville School (There) Nov. 28, Waynesville (Here).

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SATURDAY—MAY 11  
"The Lost Trail"  
Johnny Mack Brown

OWL SHOW  
"Terror By Night"  
Basil Rathbone—Nigel Bruce

SUNDAY—MAY 12  
"Diary Of A Chambermaid"  
Paulette Goddard

MONDAY-TUESDAY—MAY 13-14  
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Track and softball tournaments for the five elementary schools in Canton will be conducted this month.

Teams from Beaverdam, Morning Star, North Canton, Patton, and Pennsylvania Avenue will compete by age groups in track events. Those under 12 years will meet May 14th and those over 12 on the 16th.

Boys softball teams will play their tournament on May 21st, and the girls will vie for championship banners on the 23rd. Pennsylvania Ave. took honors in last year's softball tourney and North Canton has held the track championship for two years.

In Canton has led in sales to date, with the Massie Hardware company here giving them a close race. With the opening of the fishing areas in the Park, Mr. Rateliff expects that the total sales will be greatly increased.

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