

After The Ball

By SANDY GRADY

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Hazelwood To Tackle Enka Here

Strike!!!

... by Cunningham



Locals Can Get Revenge Against Leaders Saturday

After bouncing around the first division for the past month, Hazelwood's baseball club will have a chance to satisfy its cravings for catching the Industrial League leaders tomorrow afternoon—they play Enka Rayon, top nine in the loop, at 3:30 on the high school diamond.

Manager Jack Smith's lads will be dead set on a victory in this one. Enka has already licked the locals twice earlier in the season—once by 3-2 on a heart-breaking home-run and once by 4-3 when Hazelwood fumbled away seven chances.

Enka is sitting proud and high on the Industrial League top right now after an extended winning streak which moved them ahead of Ecusta several weeks ago. They have won in the neighborhood of twelve games this season.

Hazelwood is hanging in the lower first division after winning seven and dropping five games. Enka will carry into the contest a potent lineup that has worried every pitcher in the league. The outfield of Tweed, Patton, and Pinkerton is very handy at the plate. The Enka hurling staff has carried most of the victory load—Randall and Williams, who is one-third of a Williams trio playing on the club.

Hazelwood will probably tussle with Jack Ammons, the steady wind-milling chunker, who has done dependable work for Manager Smith this season. Business Manager George Bishoff says the Rhymer, the Canton fireballer, has been on the Hazelwood roster fifteen days now and is also eligible for mound service this weekend.

Al's Gonna Rain No Mo'
If you're in a gambling mood, you can bet that it'll probably rain Sunday. Hazelwood is due to play Berkeley in a postponed game at 3 o'clock. If things follow form, the water will pour down—the last two times the foes have been scheduled, it rained. It's just like washing your car or leaving the umbrella at home, when a Hazelwood-Berkeley tilt is slated.

Actual prospects, though, are for a sunny afternoon Sunday and a powerhouse game between the two outfits. Hazelwood stomped the visitors 8-4 the last time they dared on the local scene. Bob Pitts and Elmer Dudley won that one with some timely bingles, and Smith hopes they will come back for more.

Berkeley carries a brother combination, the Hunneycutts, who swing big sticks in the three and four batting order slots. The club is sitting about even with Hazelwood in the Industrial League standings.

Hazelwood will be trying to shake off the defeat pasted on them last weekend by a surprising band from Sayles. The 10-5 loss was the first loss taken by the locals in a month and dampened their chances of hitting first place this season.

Hazelwood Note: Canton Beat 'Em By 2-1
Hazelwood has been provided an extra incentive for licking Enka when the two teams meet tomorrow afternoon. The local's traditional rival, Canton, edged out the Rayonite team in a close ball game Wednesday, 2-1.

Tannery Grabs Bigger Lead

Tanners Nip Creek Club 5-2 Tuesday

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Slacks is another club which has risen very fast in mid-season. A win over the Electric team would stack them in a tie with Spic and Span for second place and turn the Waynesville-Hazelwood race into a three-way brawl.

Capable Cleveland Chunkers



CONNIE MACK, the aged sage of the Philadelphia Athletics, has remarked that pitching is 30 per cent of the game. These three men are certainly 30 per cent of the Cleveland Indians pitching staff in the Tribe's determined try for the American League flag. Lemon has become the staff's ace after being converted from an outfielder. Bearden is a Purple Heart veteran who is having a great rookie season. Feller is having a sub-par year after flubbing nine starts by mid-season.

That Faraway Look

State Men Hold Grid Pow-wow

It was State football night in Waynesville Wednesday. No matter what the thermometer and calendar said, no matter how many Duke or Carolina men were in the vicinity, the county courthouse was a hotbed of State football talk—and it was serious talk, too.

A small group of State alumni from Canton and Waynesville gathered in the courtroom to do a little pre-prime for next Fall. Ringleader of the meeting was the man who will guide the Wolfpack eleven—one Beattie Feathers.

While the State men wiped their brows and loosened collars, Coach Feathers told the group what Raleigh football was going to look like. He wasn't making any promises, the ex-Tennessee star said, but things didn't look bad at all. With a near-intact club returning this Fall, Feathers had a faraway look in his eye when he spoke on the Duke, Carolina, and Wake Forest games.

"Those boys are going to be too good for us," Feathers said, "but you can bet that we'll make a good showing."

When one State supporter mentioned those long rides back to Waynesville after the Wolfpack had been beaten, the coach said, "Yeah, I know what you mean. Don't worry, it hurts us as bad as anybody to lose a game. We'll try to make those trips back happier this season."

Feathers ran through the State lineup, pointing out strong spots to the group, and giving the overall picture on Wolfpack chances. He told several stories of his early playing days to the alumni, then introduced Al Rotella, the husky new line coach for State. The easy-going Rotella pitched in with a few more humorous stories and spoke of State's chances as he saw them.

Allen Nelms, head of the alumni Wolfpack Club, talked to the meeting for a few minutes on the scholarship program for deserving young athletes which has been set up by his organization.

The Long Fly Did It

Iron Duff Trims Soco In 8th

Not content with the opposition they get in their own backyard, Iron Duff went out of the W-H softball league Wednesday night to edge a strong Soco team by 10-9 in an exhibition game.

A base on balls, a hard single and a fly ball into center gave the Iron Duffers their one-run margin in the eighth inning.

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