

Mountaineers Close Conference Season Friday

Knee Pants Teams To Parade, Play Saturday

Big Parade Will Move 2:30; Play To Follow

Perhaps the largest array of baseball players ever to gather in one parade, will be the center of attraction here Saturday afternoon, as the 144 players of the Knee Pants League march in parade formation behind the Junior High School band for the opening of the 66-game season.

The community sponsored league, is all set to "Play Ball" just as soon as Mayor J. H. Way tosses the first ball to Mayor Clyde Fisher, a former star second baseman.

The 144 players, in the brand new uniforms, furnished by their sponsors, will be all primed and set for action. For the past few weeks the boys have been putting in hours of hard practice for the opener, and with their adult managers are ready to turn out some good ball for the spectators.

While the opener is all set for Saturday afternoon the adults of the community are being called to "Exert some action" in the purchase of an adult membership in the League. The membership, in short, is a donation towards helping defray the \$600 expenses which will be incurred during the season. The league furnishes the balls, bats, bases, and other equipment. No admission charges will be made for any of the games.

E. C. Wazemfeld is president of the league; Gene Wyatt, general manager; and Thurman Smith, secretary.

Two Double Winners

EAST LANSING, Mich. — (AP) — Competing for the first time in the Western Conference swimming meet this year, Michigan State produced two double winners. Freestyler Clarke Scholes won the 50 and 100 yard sprints and Bert Meachlan took the 220 and 440 yard free-style honors.

Kuykendall Hurls 2-Hit Game Against Black Bears

Unleashing a powerful hitting attack behind the two-hit hurling of Jimmy Kuykendall, the Waynesville Mountaineers went into the Blue Ridge Conference baseball lead by whipping Canton High on the Black Bear field Tuesday, 7-2. The only hits given up by the southpaw Mountaineer ace were a double by Ledford and a long triple by Abbott. Both of these boys scored Canton's only runs.

Two innings, the fifth and the sixth, were Canton's only bid to score as Waynesville's defense and the exceptional mound work of Kuykendall kept the Bears in the woods. In Canton's fifth, with one out, Ledford got his extra-baser, Morgan was out at first unassisted, and Ledford moved to third. Cooper hit a weak grounder to the mound and Kuykendall, in his haste to get Cooper for the third out, threw wild to Robinson; and Ledford scored. Kuykendall struck out Rhymer to retire the side.

In the Black Bear sixth Abbott led off with a triple to center. Snake Moore was out after lining to Sutton, Abbott holding up. Dave Kirkpatrick followed with a slow roller to Carol Swanger who—not having a chance to get to Abbott—threw to first for the second out. Howard flied out to Terry Swanger for the third out.

The Mountaineers pulled their first ground ball double play of the season when with Rhymer on first following a walk, Abbott grounded to pitcher and Kuykendall threw to Carol Swanger to get Rhymer at second; Swanger then tossed Abbott out at first.

The lefthanded Kuykendall finished the game in fine style, getting Poindexter to pop to Burrell, and setting Ledford and Morgan down on strikes.

Charley Poindexter pitched a good game for Canton, though touched for eight hits—and they hurt him. He struck out ten batters. However, five free passes didn't help matters for Canton.

The Mountaineers couldn't reach the scoring column in the

first as Poindexter struck out Carol Swanger and Fugate after getting Bobby Kuykendall to fly to left. That turned out to be just the lull before the storm as Sutton came up with a single after Terry Swanger had struck out. Bobby Robinson walked, as did J. C. DeWeese, leading the sacks. Burrell struck out for the second out. Jim Kuykendall followed with a single to score Sutton and Robinson.

The Mountaineers kept things moving a little too fast and furious for Canton in the third frame, a big inning for Waynesville. C. Swanger struck out; then Fugate walked and stole second, scoring on a double by Terry Swanger. Sutton doubled Terry home; Robinson drew his second walk; and DeWeese got a two-baser, scoring Sutton and moving Bobby to third. Joe Burrell laid down a perfect squeeze bunt to score Bobby easily. Burrell was out pitcher to first, and Jim Kuykendall ended the four-run spurge by striking out.

The Mountaineers scored again in the fifth to ice the contest, Terry Swanger singled and stole second. Sutton struck out; and Robinson's short single scored Terry. The boy really poured on the steam coming in home as he did a belly slide amid a cloud of dust. That ended the Mountaineer scoring. Carol Swanger singled in the sixth, but died on base as did Bobby Kuykendall, who had walked.

Box score:

Waynesville	ab	r	h	e
B. Kuykendall, cf	3	0	0	0
C. Swanger, 2b	4	0	1	0
Fugate, c	3	1	0	0
T. Swanger, lf	4	2	2	0
Sutton, ss	4	2	2	0
Robinson, 1b	2	2	1	0
DeWeese, rf	2	0	1	0
Burrell, cf	0	0	0	0
Burrell, 3b	2	0	0	0
J. Kuykendall, p	3	0	1	1
a-Prady	1	0	0	0
Totals	28	7	8	1

Canton	ab	r	h	e
Abbott, cf	3	1	1	0
Moore, lf	3	0	0	0
Kirkpatrick, 1b	3	0	0	0
Howard, 2b	3	0	0	0
Poindexter, p	2	0	0	1
Ledford, ss	3	1	1	0
Morgan, 3b	3	0	0	0
Cooper, rf	2	0	0	0
Rhymer, c	1	0	0	0
Totals	23	2	2	1

a-Batted for DeWeese in 7th.
Summary: RBI—Sutton 2, DeWeese, Burrell, J. Kuykendall 2.

One Of Mountaineers' Sluggers



One of the Mountaineers' consistent hitters this season, Carrol Swanger was middle man in the Mountaineers' first ground ball double play of the season against Canton Tuesday.

Parker Leads Catamounts In Batting, Average .372

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HITTING RECORD

Player	ab	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	avg
Pressley	5	2	0	0	0	0	.400
Parker	43	16	3	2	1	8	.372
Johnson	3	1	0	0	0	0	.333
Rhodes	59	19	1	0	1	15	.322
Stallings	56	18	3	3	1	11	.321
Page	42	13	1	0	1	9	.309
Rogers	54	16	3	1	1	15	.297
Selzer	60	17	5	1	2	7	.283
Hansil	44	11	1	2	2	13	.250
Foster	51	11	1	0	0	4	.215
Liner	14	3	0	0	0	1	.214
Whitt'g'n	11	2	0	0	0	2	.181
Stroud	12	2	0	0	1	1	.166
Ussery	13	2	1	0	1	2	.153
Bennett	30	3	0	0	0	2	.100
Pardue	28	2	0	0	0	3	.087
Howell	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Cagle	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000

PITCHING RECORD

Pitcher	W	L
Charlie Howell	1	0
J. E. Pardue	5	4
O. V. Cagle	1	2
Frank Parker	1	2
Joe Pressley	0	1
Charlie Johnson	0	0

Francis Cove Team Wins Second Game From Saunook 9-5

Francis Cove's ball club over Radford's pitching made it two over Saunook Saturday as they latched on to a 9-5 score in their second game. Their first victory was by a 15-5 margin.

Saunook led Francis Cove in the fourth 5-3, when Franklin came through with a homer, scoring three men ahead of him and turning the tide to 7-5 for Francis.

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Managers Of Legion Ball Team Pleased With Squad

Larry Scruggs Tops Two Track Records

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Mountaineer Reporter

Hominy Community's all-around athlete, Larry Scruggs, cracked two records as the Canton track team won the Blue Ridge Conference meet at the Asheville School oval Friday.

Scruggs' marks were made in the 440 and 120-yard high hurdles. His time for the 440 was 54.2 seconds, while his time in the hurdles was 16.5 seconds.

Scruggs' individual scoring honors accounted for 23¼ points.

The son of Mrs. Ruth Scruggs of Hominy, Larry will be greatly missed by the community when he leaves for school. He has been active in church work as well as on community ball and track teams.

Cove. Two more runs sewed up the game for the Cove.

Francis Cove will open up at Crabtree this Sunday. The game begins at 2 o'clock.

Manager Bruce Jaynes and Coach Jack Justice were doubly encouraged last week-end when their Haywood County Junior Legion baseball squad showed much improvement in two practice sessions, and their roster was strengthened by the addition of several new players.

From a beginning of 40 boys the squad has now increased to almost 70 ambitious candidates. Especially impressive among the newcomers were three lads from Cullowhee High—Sutton, Hooper and Wike.

Evidently the squad is well fixed for battery strength, Coach Justice commented yesterday that "we have 14 pitchers and there's not more than two of them that we would consider dropping." He also quipped about "the ton of catchers on the squad," inferring that all the receivers are in the heavy-weight class.

Jaynes and Justice will continue practice drills this week-end, working out again on Saturday and Sunday at the Waynesville High diamond with each session slated for 2 o'clock.

The champion among the 1950 two-year-old fillies was Aunt Jimmy. She is one of the four fillies named for the 1951 Kentucky Derby.

Sand Hill Comets Play Here

With Ralph Jenkins to the mound here to Sand Hill's Comets, the Waynesville Mountaineers are to bring down the curtain in fine style. Jenkins keeps up the style that that count according to Marshall Teague.

The Canton game Tuesday well played, and the Mountaineers looked as though they were few "ifs" stand between the Blue Ridge crown and their two remaining games—Sand Hill here Friday at Brevard, the Mountaineers will be assured of the Conference title.

The diamonds begin season next Tuesday.

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