

### Boys Set CDP Meet

The annual county all tournament, to be held Feb. 15, were announced by Cassell, assistant commissioner who is in charge of the tournament.

To make it possible for as many boys as possible to reduce travel to the tournament, Cassell said, it was decided to set up the tournament in geographical sections, with teams to be played in three sections, on March 8, at Canton, Bethel High School; on March 9, at Crabtree-Iron Duff High School; and on March 10, at Waynesville High School.

The boys' tournament is comprised of the three sections as follows:

**Section 1 - Bethel Section** — Morning Star, Cruso, East West Pigeon, Boys' Home, Morning Star, East West Pigeon, Cruso, Waynesville Section — Girls: Francis Cove, Ratcliffe Cove, Ratcliffe Cove, Albrecht.

**Section 2 - Crabtree Section** — Girls: Crabtree-Upper, Crabtree-Lower, Crabtree-Upper, Crabtree-Lower.

**Section 3 - Waynesville Section** — Girls: Waynesville, Sluder Furniture, Sluder Furniture, Sluder Furniture.

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### DEATHS

**BURN M. BARKER** — Burn M. Barker, 67, a retired engineer of Morganton, RFD 3, died in his home after a long illness.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Bessie Barker; two sons, Fred and Morgan, RFD 3, and Connelly Springs; four daughters, Mrs. Oma Jenkins of Canton, RFD 3, Mrs. Leila of Waynesville, Mrs. Evelyn and Miss Etta Barker of Canton, RFD 3.

Three brothers, Mitchell of County, Garland of Waynesville, and Kelsie of Washington, three sisters, Mrs. Hannah of Waynesville; Mrs. Brooks of Sylva; and Mrs. Hall of Sylva; 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held today at 2 p.m. in the Alarka Church, Burial was in the church cemetery.

**INFANT** — Hardin, one-week-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby of Clyde, died yesterday at the hospital.

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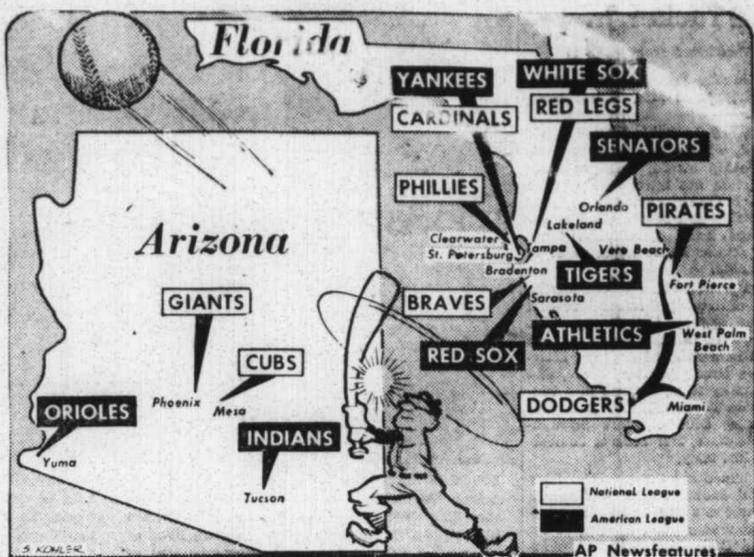
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## Florida Set To Welcome Big Leaguers

By FRANK ECK  
AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor  
NEW YORK—If baseball brings business then Florida is in for a terrific spring boom.

Twelve of the 16 big league teams will make their spring training camps in 10 Florida cities, a departure from previous years.

Tampa, in effect, will take on the atmosphere of a two-team major league city in that National and American League teams will train in the west coast cigar city on Tampa Bay.

The Cincinnati Redlegs will be back and they are welcoming the Chicago White Sox with open arms. When one team is traveling the other will use Plant Field for exhibition games. Thus, from March 6 through early April, Tampa will see games between major league teams practically every day.

The White Sox are going to Florida after 18 seasons in Pasadena, Calif. General Manager Frank Lane feels it will give his Chicago a better chance to dethrone the world champion Yankees, for

his switch in training headquarters means less traveling and more action against rivals from both leagues, not to mention money and climate.

St. Petersburg is Florida's other city with two teams. The city where they give away newspapers if it rains after noon will again have the Yankees and St. Louis Cardinals.

This spring a new city enters the picture, for the Pittsburgh Pirates will set up camp at Fort Pierce, between Vero Beach and Palm Beach on the east coast. The Pirates last were in the Sunshine State in 1946 when they trained at Miami Beach. Last year Branch Rickey took his team to Havana where it was difficult to bring teams except by air. As a result the Pirates played only two big league exhibitions in Cuba and two in Jacksonville.

Six teams in each league will train in Florida, besides the Redlegs, Cardinals and Pirates there will be the Milwaukee Braves at Bradenton, the Philadelphia Phillies at Clearwater and the Brooklyn Dodgers from the National League.

The champion Dodgers, platooners in the spring and beaten by the Yankees in the fall, again will have two Florida bases. They opened camp at Vero Beach, Feb. 24 and leave for Miami on March 6 to play the first of 12 exhibition games in effervescent Miami Stadium. Six of the games are at night. Between March 15 and 24 they will play four day games at Vero Beach in a park opened last spring.

Other American League teams in Florida besides the Yankees and White Sox are the Washington Senators at Orlando, Philadelphia Athletics at West Palm Beach, Boston Red Sox at Sarasota and Detroit Tigers at Lakeland in the peninsula's center.

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## Waynesville Girls To Meet Sand Hill In Exhibition

### MORE ABOUT Central School

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The dedication was given by Dave Felmet, chairman of the advisory committee, who worked with the commissioners and board of education in the planning and erection of the building.

Mr. Felmet said: "Webster defines dedicate — 'To set apart and consecrate; To devote solemnly.'"

"It is my wish that you join with me tonight in the dedication of this school building, Central Elementary School, to the youth of our community."

"It is of no great importance whether or not we dedicate this building, but it is important, in so doing, that we dedicate ourselves to the important task of teaching our children, not only in our schools, but in our homes, to become good citizens of our community, our state, and our nation."

"We dedicate this school building; as a basis tool in the getting of knowledge, as a home where one may learn the beauty of the English Language, the thrill of the solution of a mathematical problem, the noble pride we have in the History of our great state and nation."

"We dedicate this school to the boys and girls of tomorrow. It is our earnest desire that they learn here, good sportsmanship, honesty, fair play, courtesy, kindness, truthfulness, tolerance, obedience, cleanliness and reverence."

"For these ideals we set apart and consecrate this building."

Master of ceremonies Kent presented the officials who were given places of honor on the stage. They included: Lawrence Leatherwood, superintendent of education, Mrs. John Boyd, former superintendent; C. C. Francis, chairman of the Waynesville school board, Frank M. Davis, Commissioner; Guy Massie, chairman of the Waynesville School Board and members, W. H. Prevost, James Noland; the board of Education, Tom Leatherwood, chairman, Jarvis Caldwell, Mark Kirkpatrick and J. W. Killian; Members of the advisory committee, Dave Felmet, chairman, J. R. Schreist, and Glenn Brown; Joe Liner, alderman, Lindsey Gudger, architect, Jerry Liner, contractor for several Haywood school buildings; M. H. Bowles, district superintendent, and Claude Rogers, school principal.

Mrs. Boyd said "After seeing the completed building, it compensates for the 2½ years which I worked with so many of the complexing problems which arose during the planning and early construction

stages of the structure."

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He presented W. Curtis Russ, editor of The Mountaineer, as one of those who worked untiringly for the program to get better school plants in Haywood county.

Lawrence Leatherwood cited the cost of the plant, which to date is \$291,150. He said that there remains some dirt to be moved for the landscaping, and the construction of the steps from the street. Other than that, the plant is completed, he said.

The contract for the building was let March 30, 1953, and the students of the Central Elementary moved into the structure on January 4th of this year.

After the formal program, the hundreds of patrons and friends visited the entire one-story plant, and then went through the cafeteria and were served punch and cookies by the cafeteria staff of the school, under the direction of Mrs. Rufus Siler, with Mrs. J. H. Howell, Jr., chairman of the refreshment committee.

## This Old Brown Gelding Happiest At Race Track



LOVES THAT RACE TRACK—This is Take Wing, 16-year-old gelding who serves faithfully as lead pony for Owner-Trainer Clyde Trout, shown astride the aged horse at Hialeah Race Course. Take Wing won \$167,820 in 11 years of racing and set an American record in one race at the age of 9.

MIAMI, Fla. — Oldest horse to see action at Hialeah Race Course this season is a 16-year-old thoroughbred named Take Wing.

No one expects such an elderly equine to compete with younger racers but Take Wing will act as lead pony for the stable of owner-trainer Clyde Trout.

On two previous occasions Trout retired the big brown gelding to the farm but Take Wing wasn't content in idleness.

Back at Hialeah, he seems happy and content performing his daily chore of escorting Trout racers to the track for their morning workouts and giving the younger colts and fillies confidence and a steady influence.

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10 and in 1949 he won two races and earned \$2,860. The next year he started 27 times, finished in the money 12 times and won \$8,595. It was his last year of campaigning.

Back in 1945 Take Wing won the Meadowland Handicap at a mile and a quarter in 2:03 2/5 on the grass at Washington Park. That was the second time he won that race and he did it again in 1947 at a mile and three sixteenths in 1:55 1/5 for a new American record.

In 11 racing years, Take Wing started 197 times and was in the money in 88 of them, winning \$167,820.

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PAUL CLARK, member of the Pet Dairy team, holds the five successive games total record, with 1055, at the Waynesville Bowling Center. Julius Riggins of Charlie's Place is second, with 1014.

## Mountaineers Drop Game To WCC Frosh, 72-44

The Mountaineers got a lot of valuable experience Tuesday night by playing Western Carolina College's freshmen, but not enough points and lost to the collegians, 72-44.

Waynesville's boys, along with Canton, will pass up the Blue Ridge meet in order to participate in the AA playoffs at Enka next week.

State regulations limit high school teams to only two tournaments.

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Waynesville (44)  
Coddill (4)  
Jordan (7)  
Baker (12)  
Nichols (9)  
Stevens (2)  
Neal (9)  
Holcombe (1)  
Davis (1)  
Grabl (2)  
Harris (1)  
WCC (72)  
Raby (13)  
Rogers (6)  
Kilpatrick (8)  
Kirley (7)  
Kuykendall (19)  
Cloe (3)  
Love (1)  
Leatherwood (9)  
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Referees: Bumgarner and Singleton.

Waynesville (24)  
Sparks (8)  
Leatherwood (6)  
Mills (1)  
Hooper (4)  
Ballance (5)  
Troy (1)  
Hill (1)  
Warren (1)  
Vance (2)  
Burnett (1)  
Queen (1)  
Hall (1)  
Cabe (1)

WACO, Texas (AP) — The Texas Farm Bureau Federation has a record 53,195 members, more than five times its starting membership in 1939.

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Listen To "Birthday Greetings," a short play, with a cast of students: A. L. Matthews, Adeline Best, Claudia Sue Ferguson, Billy Best, Shirley Plimmans, Mark Brown and Roger McElroy.

The devotional by George Kirkpatrick. A poetry reading by Valere Henderson. The Crabtree-Iron Duff Glee Club, directed by Mrs. Philip Chase. Mrs. O. L. Yates will be moderator. Listen each Sunday through April 4, and hear Haywood County's best high school talent on SALUTE TO THE CLASS OF '54 OVER STATION WHCC

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