

Ahoskie-Lewiston Game Ushers League Baseball Back to Ahoskie Sunday

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"Ladeez and gentlemen, the batteries for today—". That cry ushered in the return of league baseball to Ahoskie last Sunday, July 16, when the Ahoskie team met and defeated a strong Lewiston opponent by the narrow margin of 4-3 on the recently repaired Ahoskie diamond.

A crowd numbering in the 100's watched Carlton Holloman, pitcher, and Earl Cornett, catcher, spark-plug the Ahoskie boys to victory. Lewiston, with an early 3-1 lead, dropped behind during the lower end of the fourth inning when the Ahoskie boys tapped Perry Morris, well-known old-timer hurling for Lewiston, for five hits and three runs. This was the only inning Morris appeared to be in trouble.

J. C. Evans, rightfielder, scored Ahoskie's only other run in the second frame when he non-stopped around the bases; while the Lewiston infield merrily chalked up three of its four errors on his base hit.

Lewiston's runs came in the second and sixth innings. Whitaker and Challenger crossed the plate in the second, and Wadsworth went around in the sixth.

Batteries — Lewiston, Morris and Nowell; Ahoskie, Holloman and Cornett. **Hits**—Lewiston, 6; Ahoskie, 10. **Errors**—Lewiston, 4; Ahoskie, 3. **Runs**—Lewiston, 3; Ahoskie, 4.

Sam Callis and Earl Mitchell were the officials for this game. It was the second victory for Ahoskie in two starts.

Ahoskie-Enfield

The newly-organized Ahoskie ball club, composed of players from Harrellsville, Ahoskie, Colerain, and St. Johns, played its first league game of the season Wednesday, July 12, when it shut out Enfield at Enfield by a 4-0 score.

Holloman led the scoring for the winners, tallying two runs, and Mizelle, pitcher, and Evans each scored one.

Batteries — Ahoskie, Mizelle

Record

Pitchers for the Murfreesboro Baseball Club had chalked up a record for the 1944 season through Sunday, July 16, as follows:

Jesse Parker, won 2 games and lost none.

James Parker, won 2 and lost none.

Billy Northcutt, won 1 and lost none.

Bunch Parker, won 1 and lost none.

Jerry Chitty, won four and lost 1.

and Cornett: Enfield, Stephenson and Whitched. **Hits**—Ahoskie, 7; Enfield, 4. **Errors**—Ahoskie, 3; Enfield, 3. **Runs**—Ahoskie, 4; Enfield, 0.

Sanders and Graham were the officials.

Play Wednesday

The Ahoskie and Enfield teams met again yesterday on the Ahoskie diamond, but results were unobtainable at press time.

Murfreesboro-Lewiston

Murfreesboro.—Murfreesboro played at Lewiston Wednesday, July 12, Murfreesboro winning the contest 8 to 2.

The Lewiston boys outhit Murfreesboro 13 to 10, but Jesse Parker kept the 13 hits well scattered to chalk up his second win of the season. Ricks, the catcher, featured with the stick for Murfreesboro, getting five hits out of five trips to the plate, three singles, a double, and a home-run.

Murfreesboro-Enfield

Murfreesboro.—Enfield came to Murfreesboro on Sunday, July 16, and took a good drubbing at the hands of the Murfreesboro boys. The final score was 10 to 2.

Jerry Chitty, doing mound duty, was stingy with hits, let-

ting the Enfield boys have only three, while striking out 12 men. However, Chitty was liberal with bases on balls, giving eight free tickets to first base. These free passes, coupled with four errors, accounted for Enfield's two runs.

Ricks, the catcher for Murfreesboro, again featured with the stick, getting three hits for five tries, two singles and a double, the double coming with the bases loaded and cleaning the bases.

The finals for this game: For Enfield, two runs on three hits, eight passes, and four errors; for Murfreesboro, 10 runs on 12 hits, two passes, and two errors.

League Heads Give Schedule For '44 Season

The schedule for the Chowan Baseball League for the remainder of the 1944 season has been announced by league officials. It follows:

July 23, Murfreesboro at Ahoskie and Lewiston at Enfield.

July 26, open date.

July 30, Ahoskie at Murfreesboro and Enfield at Lewiston.

August 2, Ahoskie at Lewiston and Murfreesboro at Enfield.

August 6, open date.

August 9, Murfreesboro at Lewiston and Ahoskie at Enfield.

August 13, Lewiston at Ahoskie and Enfield at Murfreesboro.

August 16, open date.

August 20, Lewiston at Murfreesboro and Enfield at Ahoskie.

August 23, Murfreesboro at Ahoskie and Lewiston at Enfield.

August 27, Ahoskie at Murfreesboro and Enfield at Lewiston.

August 30, open date.

September 3, series begins.

Second Baseman Goes to Ft. Bragg

Robert ("Babe") Edwards of Pendleton, first string second-baseman for the Murfreesboro Baseball club, reported for his Army physical examination on Tuesday, July 18.

"Babe," as all have known him since the days he ran up foul hit balls, has a perfect record with the ball club this season. "Babe" has hit safely in all 11 games, a record no other player on the club has made. He has held down the keystone position all

season without committing an error.

"Babe," it is said, is mild-tempered and never participates in arguments. Whenever arguments start, he takes his seat on the second sack until play is resumed.

"Babe" was missed in yesterday's game, but is hoped that he will be back for the remainder of the season.

Canadian threshing outfits will help harvest grain crops on the Western Great Plains; while American machines and men will later help out in the Prairie Provinces, reports the USDA.

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