

Baseball Picture Locally Changed In Coming Season

With the approach of baseball season, 1952 style in the fast Southwest Oregon League, the picture is quite different than in any previous year. This year the schedule calls for two games a week. For those cities having lighted fields, it will be a Saturday evening game, and one Sunday afternoon.

Brookings, with no lights, must have a double header on Sunday, with only half the chance to be financially successful. That requires thought, and Pete J. Lesmester, general manager, has a problem to take up with local fans.

He wants to have a general meeting of some sort to discuss everything concerning the coming season.

While he has set no date, since he wants to organize his facts, a later issue will tell about his plans, as well as his needs.

Looking at a few of the "ifs" facing Pete, perhaps fans can come up with some solutions. In the first place, Pete has put out about \$400 for new uniforms and

bats at this stage. He says baseballs cost about \$2.25 each, in quantity lots. And there's other incidental expense connected with the fielding of a team.

If two games were possible, in Brookings, like Saturday evening and Sunday, then finances would be not the worry. If lights were available—that is, a way to finance the erection, then the solution would come naturally.

If there must be two games on a Sunday afternoon, would fans wish to give out in proportion to help make up this deficiency, as there is likely to be in the finance column of the books? Pete cannot be expected to furnish the diamond enjoyment wholly on his part. He is, however, asking no subsidy in particular, except in way of pledged support of some kind—and Pete would like to be certain of the kind.

Pete promised the Pilot some kind of a cost sheet on fielding a ball club, which will be published shortly, and before this proposed meeting of his. Brookings, since it likes its baseball to be the best, will be expected to speak up with suggestions to keep the sport in front of the fans. Watch these columns for meeting date and an inquiry for plans.

SMITH RIVER

Nearly 150 people were present Tuesday evening at Lake Earl Grange to hear the Humboldt State College A Cappella choir and Madrigal Singers, under direction of Prof. Leland Barlow. This choir was brought to Fort Dick under the Grange lecturer's program, as part of the community service program of Lake Earl Grange. The choir had been on a tour to Vancouver, Wash., this being their eighth concert in a week. A varied program of sacred and secular music was presented and was given a warm reception by all.

Following the program coffee and home-made cake were served. The group of 35 students and leader were house over night at homes of Grange members. Before leaving Del Norte the choir presented a program at Del Norte high school.

Jury Is Called For Trial

A venire of 75 jurors has been issued subpaenas and appeared on Monday in Del Norte superior court at 10 a. m. when the trial of Robert W. and Richard L. Jones of McMinnville, charged with murder was started. They are charged with attempted robbery of Felix Molino, a Crescent City shoe repairman. Mr. Molino died the same evening from the wounds. The two brothers were caught at Brookings by Officer Bill Brown, and returned to the Del Norte officers. The defendants are being represented by Blaine McGowan of Eureka. District Attorney Chris Degnan is prosecuting the case.

Other Local Items

Mrs. Miriam Barnes and granddaughter have returned home from Bakersfield, where Mrs. Barnes visited her invalid sister. They returned by train to Grants Pass and were met by Mrs. Barnes' son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Don Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Engdahl and two daughters of Roseburg were week-end guests here renewing acquaintances with their many friends, and were present at the smorgasbord. The Engdahls are former residents of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Garvin received word from their son, Verne, who was inducted into the army, March 5, that he is stationed at Fort Ord.

Winners Told By Matot Company

Lila Dews of Brookings won first prize at the Matot Co., including a coffee maker with serving tray, creamer and sugar; the second going to William Skopec of Harbor and included an automatic coffee maker, and third—a combination soup warmer, deep fryer and corn popper went to Mrs. J. W. Kanick of Brookings.

These prizes were given to the winning registrants at the Matot Co. Grand Opening, which extended over a month. Nothing had to be bought to become eligible, merely the signing of the registry book.

Winners are officially announced in an advertisement on page three of this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Croy and children are moving into the Barnes cottage vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilkinson who are now at Crescent City.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sierka are enjoying a visit from their son, Richard, who is on a 10-day furlough from duty with the U. S. air force.

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