

Softball

Benedicts Win First Game of Semi-Finals

Trim I. O. O. F. 29-8 Tuesday Night—Hit Westlake Heavy and Often.—Will Meet High School on Friday.

In the first game of the softball semi-finals the Benedicts took the Odd Fellows into camp to the tune of 20-8. It was a complete surprise to the fans after the game last Friday night when the Odd Fellows won a closely contested game 5-4. However Tuesday was the Benedicts night at bat, and they got next to Westlake for 22 hits, three triples, two doubles and 14 singles and three sacrifices—a real collection. McDonald and Town led the attack, the former with a triple, a double and two singles and the latter with a triple and three singles. They also engineered two double plays, one in the third—McDonald to Spurling to Town, at the expense of Burnett and S. Westlake and the other in the fifth, McBeth to McDonald to Town, retiring Hopkins and Becker.

Matthews was again in evidence and although he had three errors, figured in seven plays. Traynor, Ritchie and Becker led at bat for the I.O.O.F., each getting two hits, all singles.

This advances the Benedicts to the second round when they meet the High school on Friday night, and as the students handed a pasting to the league-leading Bachelors on Monday, a real game may be expected.

Benedicts		AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Kearney cf	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Spurling 2b-ss	6	2	1	2	2	0	0	0
McDonald, ss-2b	6	3	4	3	4	2	0	0
Hugill, p	6	2	3	0	2	1	0	0
Wilson, W. c	5	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
McBeth, 3b	3	4	2	1	4	0	0	0
Town, 1b	5	3	4	1	0	1	0	0
Snell, lf	5	2	4	1	0	0	0	0
Kress, rf	5	2	3	0	0	2	0	0
		45	20	22	12	12	6	

Come To Flesherton's Old Home Week

August 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7
Big Program of Events

Sunday
MORNING
Canadian Field Artillery Band.
Church services in morning by ex-minister.

AFTERNOON
Parade of War Veterans and old No. 6 Co. 31 Regiment.
Music by Artillery Band.

EVENING
Sacred concert by band in park.
Monday
(Civil Holiday)

MORNING
Calithumpian and trade parade.
Water sports.
12 o'clock—Presentation of flag to Flesherton by visitors.

AFTERNOON
Horse racing.
Lacrosse match—Swansee, 1928 champions vs. Keystone, for silver cup.
Base Ball—Allenford vs Owen Sound.
Soft Ball—Owen Sound Ladies vs. Oshawa Ladies.
Horse Shoe Pitching.

EVENING
Grand concert consisting of "The Old Time Village Quartette", Cornet solos by band master of C.P.A. band; dancing features, Miss Wilson; solos Miss Joy Fawcett; comic entertainers Bert Petch and Elwood Genoe.
Dancing after concert.

Tuesday
MORNING
School called by old time teacher.
Soft ball.

AFTERNOON
Hanover band.
Soft Ball Tournament—Clarksburg, Durham and Meaford.
Foot racing.
Bicycle racing.

EVENING
Concert by "The Canadian School of Music Troupe" of Toronto.
Dancing after concert.

Wednesday

MORNING
Soft Ball.

AFTERNOON
Owen Sound Band.
Horse Racing.
Base Ball Tournament—Owen Sound, Meaford, Chesley and Cremore.

EVENING
Concert consisting of step dancing contest, fiddling contest, old time square dancing.
Dancing for all with Owen Sound orchestra.

T. W. FINLAY, Chairman.
W. A. HAWKINS, secretary

I. O. O. F.		AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Matthews, 3b	4	1	0	3	4	3	0	0
Ritchie, ss	4	2	2	1	2	1	0	0
Westlake, A. p	4	2	2	1	3	2	0	0
Traynor, 2b	4	1	0	3	3	0	0	0
Hopkins, 1b	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Moorhead, rf	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Becker, lf	4	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
Burnett, cf	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Westlake, S. c	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
		35	8	21	13	8		

Score by innings:
Benedicts 7 2 1 5 1 2 2-20 22 6
I. O. O. F. 3 2 0 0 0 3 0-8 9 6

Summary: Three-base hits—3 (McDonald, Hugill, Town); two-base hits—2 (McDonald, Hugill); Sacrifice hits—3 (Hugill, Snell 2); bases on balls—off Westlake 4 (Kearney 2, Wilson, McBeth); left on bases—Benedicts 9, I.O.O.F. 6. Umpires—McLachlan, Elvidge, Havens.

BACHELORS FINALLY DEFEATED 12-5

Benedicts and Bachelors Lose Last Two Scheduled Games.—High School Now in Second Place.

The last two games of the Softball league schedule were played on Friday and Monday nights, the I.O.O.F., and the High School being the victors. This closed the schedule with the Bachelors in first place, the High School second, and the Benedicts and Odd Fellows tied for third place.

In the game Friday night the I. O. O. F. and the Benedicts clashed in one of the closest fought games of the schedule, the I.O.O.F. winning out by 5-4, after the Benedicts had led them 4-1 up to the last half of the seventh.

In the fore part of the game the Benedicts seemed to be able to do nothing wrong, but in the last half of the seventh they could do nothing right, and the Odd Fellows shoved four runs across the plate on a single and a two-base hit.

Matthews for the I. O. O. F. was in rare form, figuring in seven of the 21 put outs and Neaves, in left field, a new comer to the Odd Fellows' ranks, accepted five chances perfectly. Monday night's game proved the down fall of the Bachelors. After going through the season without losing a game it remained for the postponed game with the High school to prove their undoing. The students treated Havens' offerings roughly, touching him for nine hits, and when McGirr took over the hurling duties in the last half of the seventh, they treated him worse, getting four safe hits, a triple and three singles, in half an inning. Smith in left field for the High school boosted his fielding average taking five chances out of five, getting two especially, seemingly right out of the grass. Hopkins and Murdoch pitched innings about for the High school, the former giving three passes.

FRIDAY NIGHT

I. O. O. F.		AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Matthews, 3b	4	0	0	2	5	0	0	0
Becker, cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Westlake, A. p	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neaves, lf	3	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Hopkins, 1b	3	1	1	1	0	2	0	0
Ritchie, ss	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ewen, c	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Traynor 2b	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0
Middletown rf	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
		30	5	7	21	9	2	

Benedicts		AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
McBeth 3b	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
Snell cf	3	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
McDonald ss	3	0	1	2	3	0	0	0
Kearney cf	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Wilson c	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Spurling 2b	3	0	1	2	1	1	0	0
Town 1b	3	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Kress, rf	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hugill, p	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
		27	4	8	21	9	2	

Score by Innings:
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 R H E
Odd Fellows 0 0 0 0 1 0 4-5 7 2
Benedicts 2 1 1 0 0 0 0-4 8 3

Summary: Two-base hits—Becker, McDonald, Kearney; sacrifice hits—Traynor, Spurling, Kress 2; struck out by Westlake 2 (Kearney, McBeth); bases on balls—off Westlake 1 (McBeth); left on bases—I.O.O.F. 3, Benedicts 3; Umpires, McLachlan, Duffield.

MONDAY NIGHT

High School		AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
McFadden, R. cf	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
Smith lf	4	1	2	5	0	0	0	0
Wilson, K. c	5	1	3	1	1	0	0	0
McFadden, P. 3b	5	1	2	1	1	0	0	0
McLraith, S. 2b	4	0	1	1	3	0	0	0
*Murdoch, ss-p	5	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
*Hopkins, p-ss	4	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
McLraith, N. 1b	4	2	2	6	1	0	0	0
Schutz rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCulloch rf	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
		38	12	13	21	7	2	

*Alternated each inning.

Bachelors		AB	R	H	P	O	A	E
Havens, p-3b	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Elvidge ss	3	2	2	3	1	0	0	0
McGirr, C. 3b p	4	0	3	1	1	3	0	0
McEachnie lf	4	0	3	3	0	0	0	0
Noble, 2b	4	1	1	1	3	2	0	0
Buschlin cf	3	0	1	3	0	1	0	0
Glenholme 1b	3	0	0	6	0	2	0	0
Moen rf	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
McEachnie c	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
		30	5	10	21	7	8	

Score by Innings:
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 R H E
High School 2 0 1 1 4 0 4-12 13 2
Bachelors 2 0 1 0 0 1 1-5 10 8

Summary: Three base hits—2 (Wilson, K., McCulloch); two-base hits—4 (Smith, McLraith, N., Elvidge, Noble); Sacrifice hits—5 (Wilson 2, McLraith, McGirr, Buschlin); struck out—by Havens 2 (Hopkins, Murdoch); base on balls—off Hopkins 3 (Havens, Elvidge, McEachnie); off Havens 3 (McFadden, R. 2, Smith); off McGirr 1 (McLraith, S.); left on bases—High school 8, Bachelors 6. Umpires Town and Ewen.

Final Play-off Tuesday
This week-end and Tuesday night of next week, it is hoped, will decide the softball championship in the Durham-

Fresh Water Tiger



35 pound muskie captured by G. Clark of Toronto after an hour's fight with a light rod and nine pound test line

Fishermen differ as to the fighting merits of the various species of the finny tribe to be found in North American waters. Some claim that, inch for inch and pound for pound, the small mouth black bass is the gamest fish that swims; others are equally enthusiastic in praise of the speckled brook trout; while still another fraternity claim that the salmon puts up as noble a battle for liberty as any game fish extant. All are agreed, however, that the muscalunge, sometimes called the "fresh water tiger" is one of the greatest fighters known to anglers, and that he will put up a battle royal when attached to the business end of a rod.

One of the productive muscalunge streams in North America is French River, in Ontario, Canada, which connects Lake Nipissing in the East with Georgian Bay on the West. This tangle of waterways is not only the haunt of the fighting muscalunge but it

yields small and large mouth black bass, great northern pike of enormous size and pickerel in abundance, as well as pan fish. Not long ago a prominent New York business man landed a 55 pound "muskie" after a battle which will probably satisfy his quest for a thrill for the rest of his life.

French River is two hundred miles north of Toronto on the Sudbury Line. The French River Bungalow Camp, a series of cozy individual bungalows centering around a main club house, provides comfortable accommodations for the angler and his family. Jack Stratheer, manager of this anglers' retreat, is a genial host who is glad to give the uninitiated fisherman a few tips on how to lure the wily "muskie." French River Bungalow Camp has as its adjunct Pine Rapids Camp, some 20 miles up the river, and located just at the spot where the "whoppers" are likely to lurk.

Benedicts and High School are playing off for second place. The winner of this game is to play the Bachelors on Tuesday night of next week for the championship. This schedule of course depends on the weather. If there is rain, Friday's game is to be played on Tuesday, with the date of the final contest advanced to some future date which has not yet been decided.

FINDS IN SPAIN WRECK OF EMPIRE

To the outside world it may seem that Spain is making an extraordinary and altogether disproportionate frenzy over the exploits of the Spanish airman who so nearly lost their lives in an effort to fly across the Atlantic ocean. But understanding and sympathy arise when we reflect upon what little reason Spain has had for a long time to cheer for anything. Spain is one of the most backward countries in the world. The illiteracy is about 50 per cent. There is no longer freedom of speech or of assembly. The country is under a dictatorship. But as a matter of fact it has for a long time been under one kind of dictatorship or another. It is now in the hands of the military and clerical castes. Spain is poor. She groans under taxes most of which go in gratuity in the opinion of Carleton Beals, who is writing a series of articles under the general title, "The Wreck of an Empire", for The Nation. The chief trouble with Spain is that her people are ignorant, and they are ignorant because those whose business it should be to instruct them have found it more convenient for their own purposes to leave them in darkness.

De Rivera's Puppets
In Mr. Beals' opinion Primo de Rivera, despite his boasts, is little more than a puppet of the monarchial tradition. He represents a final vain effort to shut out the modern world from Spain. It would seem impossible that in the long run he can succeed or that church and state linked as they are in Spain, can continue to carry on as though this was the middle ages. But there is probably good suffering in store for Spain before she forgets the past and takes her proper place in the world, the place which the intelligence and virtues of her people demand for her. De Rivera is a direct product of the costly Moroccan stupidity, and particularly of the Silvestre disaster, in which an equipped army of 20,000 Spaniards was hacked to pieces by a few thousand Moroccan tribesmen. This led to the demand for a parliamentary inquiry which traced responsibility directly to the royal palace. It was learned that Alfonso had disregarded the war department and sent orders direct to the front, evidently supposing himself a kind of successor to the former Kaiser.

The King's Politics

The trial of Gen. Damasio Berenguer who was really pardoned in advance of sentence and promoted by royal decree, revealed what Mr. Beals calls unbelievable corruption; trafficking in arms and supplies; the pocketing of payrolls and other moneys; soldiers starving and in rags; officers serving as users for the soldiers; officers selling army supplies in personally owned stores; disorder; disobedience. Before the sovereign Cortes could convene and make a report on this national scandal, Rivera seized the reins of power and the report was suppressed. He acted in the interests of the army caste and the king and naturally ever since he has had the support of the king and the army. His government has been a government of officers. There are only two civilians in it. The army of Spain is a curious one. It is not a national army but rather the army of a dynasty. Ever since his accession in 1902, Alfonso XIII has meddled with the army, and with a

good deal of shrewdness: from his own point of view, however, unfortunately from the standpoint of the necessities of the nation. He has consistently and persistently promoted officers who were his friends over older officers, and this in defiance of army regulations. By this means he has personally attached to himself nearly all the officers of any importance. They are not only officers, they are courtiers.

Graft in the Army

According to Mr. Beals, officers hold the most important posts inside and outside the government. They figure in the cascade of new concessions. They rule the provinces, though for the past three decades or more, they have proved at tragic cost to Spain that their only patriotism consists in preserving their parasitical privileges. No country this side of Mexico is so over-officered, shields so many strutting generals. There is an officer for every thousand persons in Spain. Spain has two classes of conscripts. There is a two-year enlistment and a nine-month enlistment. The recruits in the former class consist for the most part of able-bodied young men whose parents are unable to buy a shorter period. The two-year recruits live in barracks and presumably get some military education. The nine-month recruits are from the homes of the wealthier families, who pay the officers to have them excused from the fatigues and inconveniences of military service. They live at home but are supposed to report every morning for roll call, to remain in uniform all the time and to stay in their houses after 11 o'clock at night. By paying graft to their immediate superiors they avoid all these regulations.

Fear of Syndicalism

There is something ironical in the fact that Rivera was helped to his dictatorship by some of the most progressive and liberal forces in Spain, the people of Catalan. They are the chief manufacturers and merchants in the kingdom and they have proportionately suffered from the graft and incompetence at Madrid. As commandant of Barcelona, Rivera had a record with these people which was to prove helpful to him. He had shown himself the uncompromising enemy of the syndicalists more than any temporary curtailment of their liberty. It seemed to them that they were being offered a choice between a kind of communism if the syndicalists went unchecked and an absolute dictatorship. Really there was no such choice, for the danger they fled from was remote if indeed it existed. In any event they turned to Rivera as their protector, though by this time most of them have regretted their panic decision.

Egremont Council

Council met July 22. Members all present. Minutes adopted.
Robb-McEachern: That the report of the Road Superintendent for work on roads be adopted.—Carried.
McEachern—Robb: That the Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Board of Railway Commissioners and the Department of Public Highways in reference to the Railway Crossing 1 1/2 miles south of Varney, lots 14, 15, concession 2, with the view of having an overhead bridge constructed.—Carried.
Bylaw No. 11 of 1929, to increase the salary of the Treasurer to \$200.00 per year was passed.
Philp—Mack: That the following accounts be paid: Owen Sound Sun-Times, advertisement for: Tenders for Holstein Bridge \$10.00; Mount Forest Representative advertisement, application for office of Road Superintendent, Court of Revision, and Tenders for Holstein bridge \$8.80; Wm. Nelson sheep killed \$15.00; Chas. Tucker, do. \$18.00; Allan Aitken, do \$30.00; Wm. Aitken, sheep valuer \$2.00; James Geddes, do \$1.00; Pay sheet No. 7 for road

improvement \$4255.24; Superintendent services \$75.20; Members of council attendance at meeting to date \$15.00; R. Christie, use of room, \$2.00.
Mack—Philp: That Council adjourn to meet Monday, August 19th, at 10 o'clock a.m. to strike the rates and general business.—Carried.
Boards of Trustees of the several School Sections are requested to submit in writing the amount of money they require to be levied for the current year. These requisitions are due August 1st.
DAVID TLLAN, Clerk.

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