



Houston Baseball Results

The Houston baseball team defeated Vaughan to the tune of 2 to 1. Moore pitched a very steady game with errorless support. The team reminded one of the team the old-timers say we had in China. Consecutive doubles by Smith, Adams, and Rebert proved to be the winning margin.

The team was not so fortunate in the next game. The Kuette All-Stars won by a twelve to six score. The Ramblers team work fell apart after losing Matthews, in the first inning, when he pulled a muscle in his side, and Maze, with his bad arm. Felix and Byrd were the unlucky victims of the shaky support.

With but one day lay-off, the Houston came back to defeat a previously undefeated Utah team by the score of thirteen to four, with Rudly, our new "Dizzy Dean", holding the opposition hitless until the seventh inning. With good support and a lot of power at the bat, the team regained its winning ways. The team shelled four pitchers from the mound. Pacing the attack was "Pooch" Chmura, who belted a triple, three singles, and a free pass with six trips to the plate. The Houston made 15 hits; the Utah made 5.

What Are The Following?

(Answers on page 2.)

- Taffail
- Thole pin
- Thrummed
- Tompion
- Waltham ring

Jitterbug Contest

For some undefined reason, the mighty ship Houston was very badly represented in the jitterbug contest.

Speaking for the rest of the crew that are not jitterbug artists, what was wrong with Rube Smith, 2nd Div. and Espe, our galloping fireman? Everyone knows that they are past masters at the art of jitterbugging.

The contest was won by a fireman from the Utah, W. D. Rainbolt, and a dazzling little blond, Ginger Rhines. Runner-up position went to a seaman from the Salt Lake City, Ben Oaks, and his partner, Jean Amor.

The contest was very ably judged by Mrs. J. H. Smith, Schnozz Hattemer, and Shaw, CMM.

An Open Challenge

An open challenge to one and all is hereby declared.

A bunch of lads who call themselves "The Five Rubes", have gotten together a basketball team that will accept any challenge from any division or any picked team.

Monday evening, they defeated the 4th Division team, 68 to 54, and the "F" Division, 124 to 30. Tuesday, they defeated the 3rd Division by a score of 106 to 58.

All those desiring a lesson in the art of basketball trickery, submit your challenge to Simmons, Exec. Off. yeoman, and the five rubes will gladly oblige.

Thanking you, I remain,

A Rube

The Garand Rifle

In 1902 the Chief of Ordnance asked for suggestions for a musket with application of the automatic principle. The Springfield rifle of 1903 has remained in all its glory until the United States rifle caliber .30,M1 was officially accepted. It is the new Garand rifle. This new rifle was selected during the 36 years from over some 25 different rifles submitted.

John C. Garand, Ordnance Engineer of the Springfield Armory, developed the new rifle. It is gas-operated, clip-fed, self-loading, and air-cooled. The loading is much the same as with the old Springfield. A clip of eight cartridges, the old type no change in ammunition, is pushed into the magazine as of old. After the last shot is fired and the last cartridge ejected, the clip is thrown out automatically and the gun ready for the next clip. In the old rifle, the clip was ejected with the closing of the bolt.

Despite the fact that the rifle is semi-automatic requiring only the loading of the chamber and the pulling of the trigger for each shot, it consists of 20 less parts than the Springfield, having only 72 parts, all easily assembled. The sights, too, are an improvement, being much the same as some of the more recent .22 rifles, giving a click for each 25 yards up to the limit of 1,300 yards. The windage arrangement works on the same principle. Both windage and range values are engraved on the sight. The sight, too, is more accurate than the old rifle, with a longer sight radius, 27.48 inches.

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