

## Little League Baseball Season Opening Is Set

Little League baseball is scheduled to open in Brownsville the week of May 11 with tryouts due to start on Saturday, April 19.

The tentative starting date was announced at a meeting last night which also set up a permanent executive committee, adopted a constitution and made plans for signing up prospective league players through the schools.

M. M. (Harney) Hale was elected president and took over as president of the league. Jim Bazar was named vice-president, Charley Harriman, secretary and John T. O'Brien, treasurer. M. M. Jones and M. Sanchez were appointed members at large on the executive committee.

A board of directors will also be formed. It will include each of the sponsors or a representative of the sponsor.

Six teams are definitely entered as Brownsville makes its first try at Little League baseball. The Brownsville Kiwanis club, founders of the league here will sponsor one team and the West Brownsville Lions club will sponsor another. Other teams will represent the Brownsville Herald, First National Bank, Pan-American State Bank and Brownsville Shrimp Exchange.

Blanks to be filled out by the 8 to 12-year-olds and their parents will be distributed to the schools within a few days as the first step towards team organization. Tryouts will be held at Ringgold Park and team managers will select their teams from the player pool.

Three teams are still without managers and persons interested in directing Little League teams as managers or assistant managers are urged to contact Mr. Hale at the Grande Theater. Volunteers to umpire Little League games are also needed.

League teams will play an 18-game schedule starting the week of March 11 and ending the last week of July. The schedule must be completed before July 31 for teams to be qualified for tournament play.

## Wittenberg In Olympic Mat Trials

ITHACA, N. Y. —(AP)— Henry Wittenberg, whose exploits as a bandit-snagging cop have been more dramatic than his role as the world's outstanding amateur wrestler, plans a shot at the summer Olympics and then retirement "for good."

"I thought I'd quit after the last Olympics," the barrel-chested, 33-year-old New York police sergeant said today, "but the urge got too great, so I thought I'd ake one more fling."

The Manhattan policeman came out of a four-year period of inactivity to win his eighth national AAU championship—in the 191-pound division—over the week-end at Cornell University. His eight titles came in as many tries since 1940 for an AAU all-time record.

Wittenberg will attempt to qualify for the Olympics in the trials at Amityville, L. I., next Friday and Saturday and, if successful, will seek a team in the finals at Ames, Ia., April 16-19.

There isn't the slightest thought he'll fail to reach his goal. Unbeaten in 13 years and winner of nearly 400 straight bouts, Wittenberg is rated internationally as king of the light-heavyweights. He won the Olympic title in 1918 at London.

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