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Fig. 1.

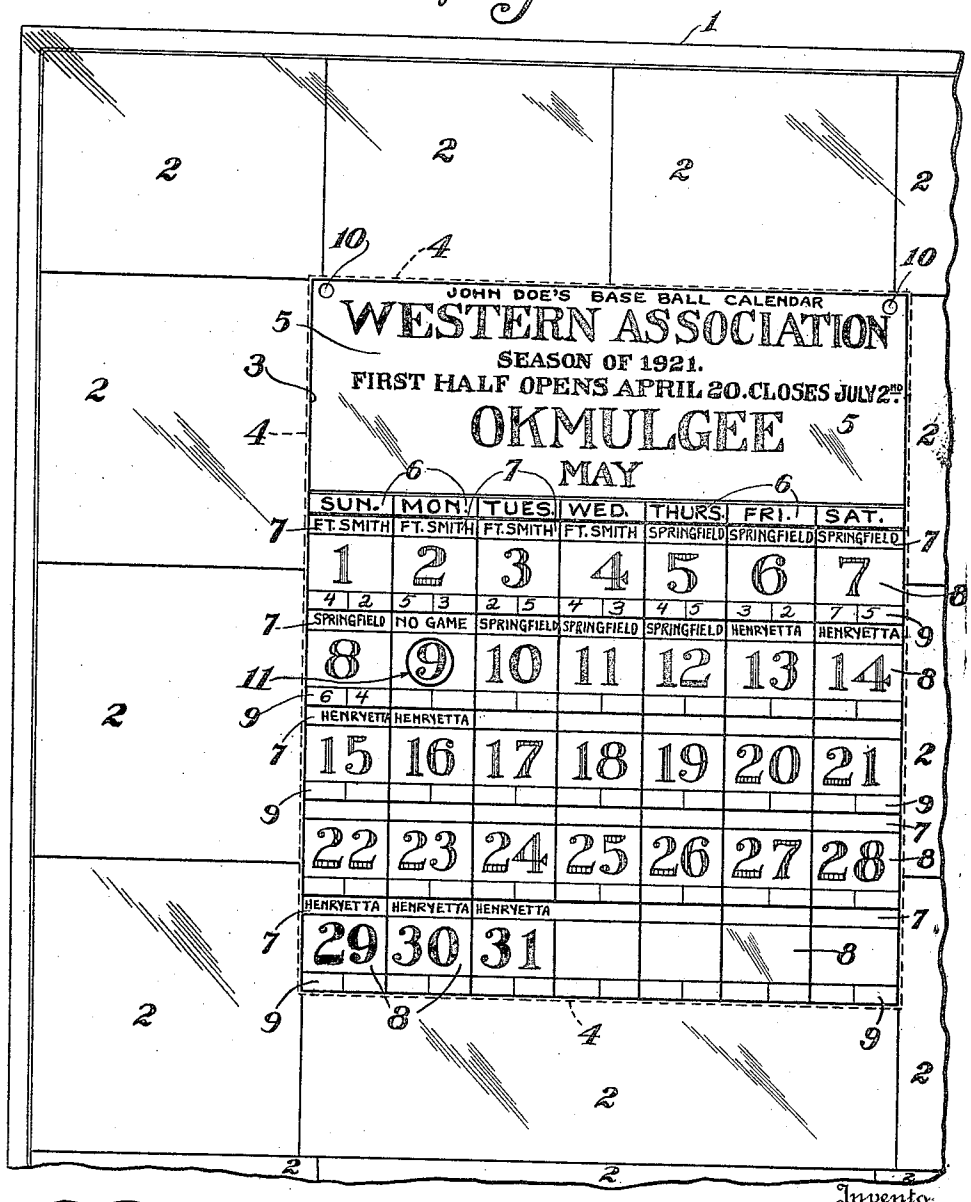




Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR L. BECKETT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Okmulgee, in the county of Okmulgee and State of Oklahoma, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Baseball Calendars, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to a base ball calendar and the object of my invention is the production of a wall, desk, or counter calendar, which will be an object of continued interest throughout every day of the month for which it is prepared and which will also be referred to and cared for by the owner, and always kept where it may be easily seen by him and others.

With this and other objects in view, my invention comprises certain novel combinations, constructions and arrangements of parts as will be hereinafter described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and more particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is a plan view of a calendar or advertising novelty constructed in accordance with the present invention.

Figure 2 is a fragmentary, perspective view of the device, showing how I designate a double header, or when two base ball games are played on the same date.

Referring to the drawing by numerals, 1 designates a sheet of paper, cardboard, or any suitable material which is preferably provided around its marginal edges with advertising spaces 2. In the center of the sheet 1 is formed the calendar 3, that can be quickly cut out or removed from sheet 1, on perforated lines 4, for the purpose hereinafter described. In the space 5 of the calendar 3, I generally print the name of the league bearing the name of the town in which the calendar is to be used; also in this space 5 appears the name of the town in which the calendar is to be distributed, the date of the opening and closing of the season, and the month for which the card is prepared. The plan is to distribute the card for each month of the season, and in each town in the several different leagues. The space 5 might be designated as the "general designating space" of the calendar. The spaces 6 contain the abbreviation for each day of the week. The spaces 7 contain the name of the clubs opposing the team for which the card is prepared, as in the present instance, "Okmulgee," the name being printed in above the date "(May)", showing what team is being played each day of the week. In the spaces 8 will be exposed the date of the month. The spaces 9 are provided for writing in the score of the game for that day under which each two sets of spaces appears and a complete record can thereby be kept of the games played on all of the days of the month.

Apertures 10 are provided in the calendar 3 at its upper corners for the purpose of allowing the calendar, after it has been torn or cut out of sheet 1 on lines 4, to be filed away in a temporary binder for ready reference, and the permanent record for all of the games for a season.

The date numbers appearing in the date spaces 8 will preferably be printed in two colors, for instance, black and red; referring to the drawing: the days May 1st to 8th are shown in red and indicate the days on which the ball team which name appears in the space 5 (Okmulgee) will play at home; black letters, as May 10th to 12th, will indicate when "Okmulgee" plays away from home; for instance, a person in Okmulgee looking at the calendar on May 4th, as shown in the accompanying drawing, would readily understand that the Okmulgee base ball team was playing at home the Ft. Smith base ball team, whereas, on May 11th the Okmulgee base ball team would be playing the Springfield base ball team at Springfield.

A solid circle 11 around any numeral date indicates "no game" as, for instance, when the Okmulgee team is traveling between two points.

A star 12 (printed in any desired color) after a date means a "double header" and in such case I provided a plurality of sets of spaces 9^a for the score marking.

In the space around the calendar, suitable advertisements are to be placed or exposed, and this space is to be sold for this purpose to business men and firms of the town or vicinity, if desired, of the particular town which name appears in the space 5.

It is to be understood that this base ball calendar and advertising novelty contemplates the placing of the same in each town and city which has a league base ball team.

It is intended to print monthly calendars carrying matters suitable for the town, the name of the town and the dates so printed as to conform to the schedule for the month in that town and league showing the opposing team playing each day and indicating the home games in red, as above stated, and then sell the advertising space. The club to distribute the cards among the fans of the city for their use, either in their places of business or their homes.

I have used the term "sheet" 1 to designate the surface or body upon which the device is produced and it will be understood that the device could be produced upon a wood board, or cardboard, or upon other suitable material, so that in the following claims I use the word "sheet" in a broad sense and do not limit myself to the strict meaning of a sheet of material, as white cotton fabric, or to a sheet of paper; the term "sheet" is used in a sense synonymous to the word "body".

While I have described the preferred embodiment of my invention, and have illustrated the same in the accompanying drawings, certain minor changes or alterations may appear to one skilled in the art to which this invention relates, during the extensive manufacture of the same and I, therefore, reserve the right to make such alterations or changes as shall fairly fall within the scope of the appended claim.

What I claim is:

In a base ball calendar, the combination of a sheet, said sheet having series of perforations to form a removable central portion, the upper portion of said central portion having home team data thereon, an appropriately designated horizontal days of the week row extending across the central portion below said home team data, appropriately designated, spaces on said central portion having the dates of the month therein, a delineated name space directly above each date space, and independent blank delineated score spaces below each date space, as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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