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***Ledbetter News***

**Ledbetter 21 -- Dime Box 0 . .**

An all time record crowd of roaring fans jammed the Community Center Park here Sunday afternoon for the first home game of the season to watch Lester Etzel's rejuvenated Ledbetterites perform like a well-tuned power mower, which thoroughly trimmed Dime Box 21 --0, the second game of the season and the second decisive shut-out.

Playing errorlessly for the first time in team history, the locals flawlessly supported Bobby Lorenz' brilliant hurling, which made three successive strikeouts in two successive innings for a total of ten, while allowing but 3 widely scattered singles. His team mates pounded four Dime Box pitchers for a total of 18 bingles, one being a triple by centerfielder H. A. Hall in a neat way of making his debut to the Lee County League. Every Ledbetterite collected at least one hit, while the Etzels, the only father and son combination in the league, hammered 3 each, Lester getting 3 for 3, and son Travis a single, double and triple for 4.

Dime Box's only threat came from two successive walks with one out, but a quick throw, Lorenz to Travis Etzel, nipped Homeyer off second, Michalk fanning for the third out .

Ledbetter invades Lincoln next Sunday, May 10, for the first seasonal meeting between the two teams.