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Transcript of a sound recording in MS 608, WLBZ Radio Station Records, Bangor, Maine, 1931-1973

Title: Little League Interview with Franklin Field

Date: July 9, 1952

Recording number: D 12.49; CD 20, track 25

Length of recording: 1:46

[transcript begins]

ANNOUNCER, EDDIE OWEN: At this moment, I think I'll interview one of the young chaps here who is wearing a Little League Baseball uniform, and it's got Lions right across the front. What's your name?

FIELD: Franklin Field.

OWEN: Franklin Field, and uh, Frank, you're a member of the Lions team, what's your position?

FIELD: Well, I play first, third, in the outfield, and pitch.

OWEN: Well you do a little bit of everything. Do you take the bases in when you get through at night? [Laughing.] No answer there. That's enough for one man to do. Tell me, how old are you, Frank?

FIELD: Twelve.

OWEN: Twelve. In other words, this will be your first and last season of Little League Baseball?

FIELD: Yes.

OWEN: Now, of all the positions you play, which one do you like best?

FIELD: Pitching.

OWEN: You like pitching the best. You're the second pitcher I've talked to since I began these tape recordings down here at Bass Park. Have you pitched any games so far this season?

FIELD: I've pitched three, and won two.

OWEN: You've pitched three and won two? Well that's...

FIELD: And I didn't lose the other one.

OWEN: Oh, you didn't? You didn't finish it out? Didn't finish that one out. Well, that's a very good record. How are you doing at the plate?

FIELD: Well, I've only made three outs in six games.

OWEN: Have you hit any real long balls?

FIELD: I've hit three triples.

OWEN: Three triples? Well here's a man who is pretty versatile both in the field and at the plate, too, and he seems to hit a fairly long ball, three triples. And, um, well I guess that about covers the situation. I'll ask you the question I've asked some of the other boys. What do you think of Little League Baseball?

FIELD: I think it is a great thing for boys and they will learn a lot from it.

OWEN: Thank you very much, Franklin Field, of the Lions team.

[transcript ends]

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