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Little League Interview with Reggie Strout

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INTERVIEWER, EDDIE OWEN: This recording is being made at Bass Park just before a game between the Lions and the Rotary of the Little League Circuit. And I'm going to ask a couple of these boys here, I see that I have some from both teams, a few questions about themselves and about the teams on which they play. Well this young fellow right in front of me here, wears the uniform of the Rotary and I'm going to ask him what his name is.

STROUT: [Quietly] Well, ask me.

OWEN: [Laughing] O.K., I'll ask you. Well, what's your name?

STROUT: Reggie Strout

OWEN: Reggie Strout, huh? And what position do you play, Reg?

STROUT: Well, I was supposed to be a catcher but seems to turn out to be a pitcher.

OWEN: Now there's a switch, there, from mound to back of the plate, back and forth, huh? Tell me, let's see, how old are you, Reg?

STROUT: Eleven.

OWEN: You're eleven, are you, Reg? And, how do you like this business of pitching?

STROUT: Better than catching.

OWEN: You do, huh? How about your hitting? Can you wallop them when they come across the plate there?

STROUT: Strike out every time.

OWEN: Well, as long as you keep on trying, that's O.K. You think that you'll be starting tonight?
STROUT: Well... I think so.

OWEN: You think so. What’s your record so far? How many games have you pitched?

STROUT: Well, so far, I’ve only pitched one.

OWEN: How’d you make out in that one?

STROUT: Best of all.

OWEN: Best of all. I take it you mean you won that one.

STROUT: Yeah.

OWEN: And what game was that? Whom did you play?

STROUT: Uh, Jaycees.

OWEN: That was when the Rotary beat the Jaycees? And Reggie Strout was on the mound, huh? Tell me, Reg, what do you think of Little League Baseball, in your own words?

STROUT: It’s a pretty good thing, I think.

OWEN: Now let’s see, how many more years will you have to play?

STROUT: Well, one.

OWEN: One more year, you must be... you’re eleven now?

STROUT: Yeah.

OWEN: You’ve got one more year.

STROUT: That’s right.

OWEN: Well, maybe next season you’ll be in there striking them out even better, huh?

STROUT: Right.

OWEN: O.K., thanks very much, Reggie Strout of the Rotary Little League Team.
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