



Fire Fighters Doused 6-1

Dominion Hotel New Softball Champions

As the figure liberty predicted they would early in the season Dominion Hotel won the local softball championship. Winless day with their third straight victory over the fire fighters, Ed Phillips, the key man in many of the hoteliers' victories this summer, was again a large figure in the deciding contest. His two hit hurling effectively silenced the hose and ladder crew's best bat.

Normie Morton's gang had the infield working to perfection and holes were hard to find around the keystone which was covered by two of the most alert fielders in the league, Don Green and Leo McGillivray. At first, Harry Lawson converted a lot of territory and Dave Manes a truly weak at the plate made few mistakes at third base.

In the outfield, Pete Bowden Bill Johnston, Chet Peckay, Jack McCutcheon and Larry Porter all contributed to wins as the hawks and of course, we can't forget Normie Morton, who went in to patch on occasion as well as policing the club to their crown. Normie's son Ross is a chip off the old block. He turned into one of the best catchers in the league, pinching Ed Phillips' starts.

So, the champion is stepped in the direction of the Dominion Hotel team, this week. They are worthy champions of the local softball circuit.

The softball circuit turned in a lot of good natured ribbing during the season but the climax came last Thursday in a pre-season performed by Coon Vines.

Perturbed that Ed Phillips of the Dominions might catch cold on one of the hottest nights of the year, Coon presented him with an old overcoat when Ed pulled up at first base reminding him of the previous Tuesday when the hotelier's ace had asked time out to don his jacket.

The gift was not appreciated, however. Coon beat a hasty exit while two or three of his mates calmed Ed down.

As we write this column a radio has just blurted out the news that Toronto Maple Leafs of the International League won a thriller over Buffalo in the last of the 14th. It's midnight and 2300 ball fans in Toronto stayed around for the finish in the chilling weather.

Who else would hang around that long while a drama was being acted out? Sports fans are a special breed apart.

Although theatre goers would probably give me a swift kick in the pants for suggesting this, I've often thought they were of a similar ilk to the sports fan. Both species like to watch a drama unfold. One sees it in the theatres, the other in the great outdoors, albeit of a different variety.

Other baseball action hit the country this week saw Milton win the first game of their play-off series with Simcoe, 73. The semi-finals of the Intermediate A hunt is a best of three set.

Meanwhile, the Campbellville Merchants eliminated Alliston from Int. B contention with two straight victories. The villagers are now in the finals with Petrolia and who's betting they won't hang another title beside the many they've won in the last few years?

Those Toronto Argos took their first defeat of the football season Wednesday at the hands of the Ottawa club and fans of the Roughriders from Acton who took in the game on TV were saying—I told you so! Argos had rung up five straight victories prior to this game and a few Toronto partisans thought they would finish the season undefeated.

Against Hamilton in Toronto last Sunday the Scullers had to produce an 80-yard pass and touchdown run to defeat the Ti-Cats who went down to their fifth straight setback. It was a Tobin Roto to Dave Mann pass, that settled the issue.

The pass marked Roto's 15th touchdown throw of the season and took him halfway to the Big Four record of 30 touchdown passes thrown by Sam Fidovich and Toronto's Tom Dubinski in 1955.

Freshman Toronto coach Lou Agass' success this season is an old formula—The quickest way to score is to pass.

Hamilton fans can take heart. Ti-Cats finally won one at the expense of Montreal, their first win in six.

Sport Sheets: Dominion Hotel will meet a team composed of truck drivers from around town this Sunday in a twin bill which sees the old Junior Farmers meet the present team in the first tilt.

Opposite to the Lions club is the meeting of sponsor a juvenile team this season. It will be known as the

Dominion Hotel now the Action Softball Association champion since last night (Wednesday) by taking 6-1 division over the fire fighters in a hard contest that went seven and a half innings. It was a close affair for the Dominions who were still forced a dozen through two plus extra ones.

The Arctan Scottish Hotel in the semi-finals in this game and then went on to take the fire fighters in three straight by scores of 13-8, 8-6 and 6-1.

Coached by veteran Normie Morton, Dominions lost the lead most of the season and were heavy favorites to cop the crown. They won it decisively last night.

The smoke eaters put up a game and determined bid to put themselves back in the final series but they were no match for Ed Phillips who allowed them only two hits. One of these was a home run by rival pitcher Fred Archibald.

Phillips, as hot as the weather was cold, was given a two run cushion in the very first inning when the firemen threw in two bobbles that put Don Green and Ross Morton on the bags. Green scored as Harry Lawson was thrown out at first and Morton came in on Phillips' single.

The 24 lead held until the fifth when Fred Archibald got sent off with a shoulder high-ball and sent it well over the right field fence.

Fire fighters managed to pre-

serve a two run lead they chalked up in the first frame for four inings Thursday night and then never looked back, winning the second game of the best of five final finds 6-1.

The largest crowd of the season was down to witness this one and they saw a torrid pitching duel between Dominions ace, Ed Phillips and Fred Archibald of the hose slingers. Both moundsmen threw five hit per frames with Phillips fanning 12 and Archibald notching one strikeout victim.

Morton's marauders added their final run in the eighth when Bowden doubled to score a runner while Johnny Krapke clouted the game's only home run after striking in his first three appearances, to add another to the firemen's score. There was no one on base.

Four errors were contributed by over anxious players with three charged to the hose and ladder crew. Phillips walked six over the eight innnings while Archibald handed off five free passes.

The loss was a blow to the Fire Fighters hopes of winning the series. They faced the task of winning three straight games.

Dominion Hotel-D. Green ss, Ross Morton c, Harry Lawson 1b, Chester Peckay rf, Bill Johnson cl, J. McCutcheon p, Pete Bowden lf, Leo McGillivray 2b, Geo. Oakes 3b, Dave Manes 3b, Ed Phillips 6.

Fire Fighters — Phil (Scotty) McCrindle ss, Andy Williams 1b, Don Anderson rf, Mick Holmes 2b, Harold Townsley 3b, W. David lf, Bill Spilberg ol, Johnny Krapke c, John Turkosz lf, Fred Archibald p.

It was decided to have the program committee appoint a separate convener for each dance out of the ladies' auxiliary.

Owing to St. Albans Parish Hall not being available for rent the year, all of the dances will be held in the YMCA, the first dance of the season being scheduled for Saturday, September 24th, when everybody will be most welcome.

The husband came home one night and proudly announced to his wife that he had bought himself a hearing aid.

"Well, thank goodness," said his wife. "I've been telling you to do that for the past eight years."

"Oh!" the husband laughed.

"So that's what it was!"

Old age has some benefits. For instance, you can whistle without washing your teeth.

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