

Pounding the Sports Beat . . .



ACTON PEE WEES bowed out to Milton in the three game series for the Halton County O.M.B.A. during the weekend, but put up a terrific battle right up to the end. After starting the series with a 9-9 tie in Acton, the locals received a 6-1 shellacking in Milton Saturday and were ousted in the final game Sunday in Acton 4-2.

Halts off to Pete Vale and Ed Owen for taking an interest in the youngsters and out of their own pocket books providing equipment, transportation and paying umpires. Chaps like these two must be admired and the youngsters show their appreciation by the gleam in their eye when they don a uniform.

Unfortunately, Minor Sports in general took a backslide this year. Instead of being sponsored by a separate sports committee, it was under the jurisdiction of the Acton branch of the Legion. Little was heard or even seen of the games. Policy set by the Legion prevented any team under their supervision from entering out-of-town leagues.

If children are to be kept off the streets and instilled with an interest in sport, proper management and coaching must be supplied. Fortunately, Pete and Eddie were two adults keenly interested in providing a means of recreation for the kiddies and our hats are off to them.

ACTON'S COMMUNITY Centre building received a shot in the arm last week when town workmen began excavating for the arena floor to house artificial ice equipment.

Although dampness was reached below the three foot level, authorities are confident the problem is not serious and plans are being speeded to complete tenders for the erection of the building.

A meeting has been planned for Monday night and the special building committee hope finalization of a tender can be completed.

WHILE THE regular series were in progress, the local teams had a busy time during the week-end. The local teams were in the middle of a two game series with the Milton team. The game on Saturday was a 9-9 tie and the game on Sunday was a 4-2 win for Milton.

Pee Wees Tie Milton 9-9 In First O.M.B.A. Encounter

ACTON PEE WEES gave a stellar baseball performance last Thursday evening when they tied Milton 9-9 in the first game of the O.M.B.A. series.

Milton's David Spinson pitched a superb game, allowing only two runs in the first inning. Acton's pitching was equally good, with the team's best pitcher, Ed Owen, allowing only one run in the first inning.

The game was a close one, with both teams scoring runs in every inning. The final score was a 9-9 tie.

Milton Drubs Pee Wees 6-1 Takes One-Game Series Edge

Spurred by the steady pitching of B. Hebbington, youthful pitcher, Milton's Pee Wees trounced the Acton youngsters 6-1 in the second game of the O.M.B.A. playoffs in Milton Saturday, to take a one game lead in the race for the title.

Milton's well-earned runs came in bunches with two in the first, three in the second, and one in the fourth.

Milton Cops Title Downs Pee-Wees 4-2

ACTON PEE WEES hung up their spikes and uniforms Sunday after being ousted from the Halton County O.M.B.A. finals by Milton 4-2 as the visitors took two straight after a first game tie.

David Spinson, ace hurler for the Acton team, pitched a heady game but at times lacked support from his team mates. After a shaky start, and the luck of the Irish when Milton pulled off a double play robbing the locals of a possible two runs, Acton pulled up their socks and settled down.

The four run lead garnered by Milton proved to be too strong for the Pee Wees and after a final effort in the bottom of the fourth, they were only able to retaliate with two runs.

The three game series between the two teams has offered plenty of pitching prowess and stellar plays have been turned in by both teams.

Hoteler's Win First Game Down Firemen 8-5 Tuesday

Dominion Hotel's four run lead in the first inning, aided by a two run triple by Bill Johnson, proved the downfall for Firefighters in the first of a two game series Tuesday night in softball circles when they won 8-5.

Ross Morton started the Hotel's rally with a single, followed by Joe Fryer with a safety. Morton romped home with the first tally on F. Daley's singleton. Two more crossed the plate when Johnson cracked out a triple. Johnson later trotted home when three men walked in a row before the side was retired.

The Hotel's final run came in the top of the seventh with Don Green copping the honor. Mick Holmes and Bill Duval both scored before the game ended.

The two teams meet tonight (Thursday) in the last game of the series.

SPORTS

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Campbellville vs. Dundas In Halton County Final

Campbellville and Dundas, with respective 6-2 and 6-4 wins over Oakville and Acton Intermediates last night (Wednesday) have cleaned up the semi-final series and will square off in the first game of a best-of-three final to declare the winner of the Halton County Intermediate Baseball League.

The second game will probably be played in Dundas Monday or Tuesday, said league secretary Bruce Hood. Campbellville must be finished the final playoff by Saturday, September 2 to go on into O.B.A. playoffs, probably against Orillia.

13 Inning Tilt Ties Semi-Final Villagers Take 6-4 Decision

Campbellville tied up their best of three semi-final series with Oakville by winning a thrilling 13 inning game, 6-4 in Campbellville on Sunday.

Elmer Dredge was the hero of the win as he homered with one on and two out in the bottom of the 10th.

Jack Roberts, who relieved Harry Hamilton in the sixth, was the winning pitcher and did a masterful job of relief pitching. In seven and one-third innings, he shut Oakville out on two hits. He walked two, struck out two and hit one batter. Harry Hamilton, in six and two-third innings, allowed four runs off eight hits. He walked three and struck out five. Hamilton was victimized by fairly support from his team mates. Roger Jacobs hurled the complete 13 in.

Village Bantam Crew Downs Colgan 16-0

Campbellville shut out Colgan 16-0 Saturday to take the first game in their best of three preliminary O.B.A. Bantam 100' playoffs.

The locals weren't fazed by the 20 mile trip and chalked up 16 runs off 15 hits and one error, compared to four hits and six errors by Colgan. Tom Ramshaw threw 16 strikeouts for the winners while the Colgan hurler Colgan had eight strikeouts. Jim Bell had a triple, double and single while R. Gissold had a triple and two singles to pace the Campbellville boys. Next game is here Sunday.

Hornby Man is Hurt In Car-Truck Crash

A Hornby resident was slightly injured and damage totaled \$600 when a car and a dump truck collided Friday at the S. Sideroad corner north of Hornby.

John O'Connor had a lacerated forehead and bruised arm, and his car received \$350 damage. A dump truck driven by James Richards of Orangeville received \$250 damage. Police said the truck pulled into the path of the car at the Seventh Line intersection.

Up to the time of going to press, demonstrations, riots and hell-raising hadn't contributed anything towards solving any of the world's problems.

Firemen Win Third Place Spot Duval Blasts Grand Slam Homer

Firefighter Wilfred "Duvy" Duval's grand slam homer with the bases loaded added a fifth run, much after team mate "Dob" Frizzell whacked a two-run three-bagger to clinch a position for the firemen in the Acton softball league playoffs, Thursday, August 17.

Dude Lindsay, ringer for the firemen, shared pitching honors with captain Bill Williams, to give the smoke-eaters the win and third berth in the playoffs.

Well Equipped Mobile Kitchens Backbone of Work Train Crews

By Don Ryder

Work train crews, sometimes called out on long, tiresome and heavy jobs when trains are derailed, smashups occur or bridges are washed out. Eating hearty meals is one of the secrets of a happy, healthy workman when the chips are down and heavy lifting is to be done.

Sunday morning's derailed 130 ton diesel engine was a breeze for the crew, as the towering derrick made short work of the derrick and the engine returned to the rails in less than two hours.

It was interesting, however, to tour the work train conducted by the chief cook, after pictures had been taken, loose ends tied up for a story and everything packed away.

Ready at Any Time

Every work train must be ready to move at any time throughout the day or night. This means extra rails, wheels, train parts, cables, shims, ties and many other pieces of equipment must be loaded ready to move at a moment's notice.

One of the most important factors of the work train is the kitchen and dining car. The men must eat hearty meals and be served good wholesome and solid foods.

Chatting with the cook, I was invited to board the train and visit his kitchen. "It's the most modern kitchen equipped work

made a great bid for a hit but was robbed by a great catch by right fielder Lawrence. This set the stage for Dredge's game winning home run that just dropped over the right field fence.

Lawrence, Coolich, Dryden and Jacobs all had two singles for Oakville, who didn't come up with any extra base blows. Pollock and Hamilton singled once.

Moore Top Batter

Ken Moore was the batting leader for Campbellville as he picked up four hits and was on base six times. Elmer Dredge homered and doubled and Al Wingrove doubled and singled. Stan Henderson, Earl Cairns, Laverne Hamilton, Stu King and Jack Roberts all singled.

Footnotes

Oakville came up with numerous defensive gems. Third baseman Ross Dryden robbed Earl Cairns of a hit in the second of the sixth Hamilton struck out and saved the day in the 11th when he speared Wingrove's line drive that would have won the game. Lawrence leaned over the fence to take another homer away from Dredge in the seventh and made a sensational catch on Roberts' sinking line drive in the 13th.

Campbellville's best defensive plays were made by Dredge and Earl Cairns, who made great diving catches off soft pipe in the infield.

It was a big day for shortstop Dredge. As well as hitting the game winning homer, he doubled in the third and had four assists and eight put-outs. Oakville left 15 men on base, whereas Campbellville left 10.

It was Jack Roberts' ninth win of the season against one defeat.

Survival Booklets Gain in Popularity

The crisis in Berlin may be scaring people.

Halton Emergency Measures Organization in Milton reports that 300 booklets entitled "11 Steps of Survival" and about 25 books on building basement fallout shelters were sent out last month.

The "Survival" booklet was prepared to cut down on human casualties of a nuclear war should break out. It teaches you about the effects of nuclear explosions, warning signals, shelters, emergency supplies, firefighting techniques, first aid, municipal emergency plans and plans to save the lives of your own family.

Blueprints

The other booklet contains a blueprint and all the necessary instructions for a \$400 to \$500 basement shelter. It gives room layouts, plus instructions on building and making it safe. Necessary supplies are listed.

Both booklets are free upon request. Write to: 225 Main St., Milton, Ontario. Request Booklet 11.

NO SURVEY

It is a common mistake to think that a survey is a simple matter of asking people what they think. In fact, a survey is a complex process that requires careful planning and execution.

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