

Hustle, Spirit, Key Performances Boost Red Sox to Important Wins

Milton Red Sox combined hustle and spirit with key pitching performances and clutch hitting, to cop two important decisions this week and take a stranglehold on fourth place in the Halton County Intermediate league standings. Nine innings of five-hit ball by Nip Gervais on Sunday and key safeties by rookie Pete Sherratt paced the Red Sox to a 4-2 win over the Gerrattown Giants.

Yesterday afternoon (Wednesday) in a Dominion Day special, the Sox went 11 innings against the Dundas Merchants and emerged with a 6-4 verdict, when Glen Dance unloaded a two run homer deep into left field. Dance's blow capped a brilliant pitching performance from Ronnie Naylor, who wrapped up his third consecutive win in his rookie inter-

mediate season. **Determination Counts** Both victories were squeakers, but Sox mentor Rick Clement was elated with his club's determination and drive as they now enter the second half of the league schedule. The Sox have beaten every team in the league except Campbellville during the first half of the slate and they have managed to battle the Merchants to a tie.

Outstanding afternoon long performances by Dance and Naylor highlighted the Dominion Day victory, as Glenn boasted two hits and two walks in six trips to the plate and also earned five assists from his infield post. Naylor went the distance for the third consecutive time, carefully scattering safeties throughout most of the game. In going the

route he fanned six Merchants and walked four. All the runs were earned.

Bubble Bursts The Sox took the lead in the first inning as they pushed across two quick tallies. Dundas managed one in the second and in the fifth the locals struck for another two, to boost their lead to 4-1. The bubble burst however in the sixth frame, as the visitors notched the count with three runs.

For the next five innings it was a tight pitchers' duel between Naylor and Merchant right-hander Mike Lynch. In the bottom of the 11th, youngster Steve Gervais reached base on an error, was moved to second on a well executed sacrifice from pinch-hitter Marty Scisizzi and, after one more out, scored on the front end of Dance's game deciding blast.

Doug McCutcheon shared the hitting honors in the contest as he lined three singles in five trips to the plate. Doug Hyatt, playing his first game since he broke a finger last month, smashed a single and a triple and Don Currie bombed a triple.

Sunday's Game Sunday afternoon's contest boiled down to a pitchers' battle, with Georgetown Giant right-hander Jim "Sparky" McGill los-

ing out to Nip Gervais. In pitching up his fourth win of the season, the Sox veteran cushion thrower had plenty of help from the outfield, as Ron Phillips made at least two spectacular catches and centrefielder Doug McCutcheon hauled in several labelled drives.

Pete Sherratt, playing his first season of intermediate hardball, was the batting ace during this contest as his double and single drove in two runs. Wayne McConnell, Nip Gervais, Doug McCutcheon and Bill Currie were the only other Milton batters to get base hits, as each of them singled once.

Milton scored their runs in pairs, with two in the second and two in the fourth. Georgetown managed a couple in the sixth and threatened in the ninth, before Nip struck out a batter with two men in scoring position, to end the game.

Commenting following the victories, Dick mentioned that his team has been built around his defence and now that the pitching is coming through he is confident that the Sox are headed for an excellent second half of the schedule.

The next Sox game is Sunday afternoon in Milton at 2.30 p.m. against the Oakville Oaks.

Merchants in Top Spot

Belted Bunt Beats Cardinals

A belted bunt by Don Joyce in the bottom of the eleventh inning scored a runner from second base and enabled the Campbellville Merchants to capture an exciting 10-9 extra inning win over the Hamilton Cardinals in the village yesterday. The Merchants battled from behind throughout most of the game to gain the win and allow them to maintain a firm hold on first place in the most exciting Halton Intermediate flag battle in many a summer.

Joyce's key blow scored Elmer Dredge all the way from second base, as the bunted ball shot into a hole in the right side of the infield. In many ways it was a frustrating afternoon for the Villagers, as they continually

fought from behind until the eighth inning, when pitcher Dave Heffernan belted a three run homer to tie the score at 7-7 and put the villagers on even terms for the first time in the game.

In the top of the ninth the Cards chased Heffernan from the mound and scored two runs to again take the lead. In their last crack at tying the score the Villagers came through with flying colors as Earl Cairns homered for one run, Ken Moore doubled, two walks loaded the bases and finally Jack Roberts walked to score the tying run.

The tenth inning was scoreless and in the top of the eleventh, lefthander Jack Roberts continued his flawless relief pitching

and blanked the Cards.

In the bottom of the inning however, two walks put men on first and second and then Don Joyce, with orders to bunt, laid down a solid bunt that scored the winning run.

Al Wingrove had two singles and a double for Campbellville, Stan Henderson singled. Earl Cairns had two singles and a homer, Ken Moore doubled and singled, Elmer Dredge and Stu King singled once, Dave Heffernan had a three run homer and Don Joyce had three one base blows.

Harry Hamilton started on the mound for the village and was taken out in the fifth after being hit hard Dave Heffernan pitched efficiently until the ninth when he got in trouble and Jack Roberts finished up with two and two-thirds innings of hitless relief ball, to pick up the win.

Campbellville's next game is on Sunday when they host the Georgetown Giants at 2.30.

Raiders Bobble Ball Drop Loop Decisions

By Bob Watkins
Defensive miscues again spelled defeat for the Rotary Raiders last week as Burlington bombed them 22-5 on Wednesday evening and Waterdown dumped the Milton club 23-6 Sunday afternoon.

Milton matched Burlington in the hit department, as each club counted nine safeties. But fielding errors, plus twelve free passes allowed Burlington to mount the convincing victory. Marsha Waldie on the Milton mound gave up four extra base blows, while Sally Brown for Burlington was nicked for two doubles by Diane Duncan and homers by Kay Marsh and Marsha Waldie, as well as issuing five walks.

At home Sunday, three Raider hurlers gave up 10 walks and nine safeties, and combined with faulty fielding, Waterdown romped home with the 23-6 win. Three doubles, a triple and a four bagger were included in the Waterdown line score. Pitching for the visitors, Thompson scattered four walks and eleven hits, including doubles to Kay Marsh and Liz McClure.

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SPORT LITES

By BRIAN McCRISTALL

THE HIGHLIGHT of any column is information, and at times trying to scribble a few interesting facts can be quite frustrating, especially when busy telephone signals, polite "no comments" and consistent "I'm sorry he's not home," are the orders of the day. Drumming up a few facts is often times worse than getting water out of a rock, it just isn't done.

Just before we sat down at the keyboard to pound out this week's essay, we phoned five separate numbers, and got five different answers, but somehow the result was always the same. There was no dope to be had!

It is indeed refreshing to imagine what the fellows we tried to contact might be doing, and since there's not much else to talk about, we'll let our imagination run off with itself and see what happens.

Call Number One: Enio Scisizzi: When the weather starts to get just the least bit chilly, Enio can usually be found somewhere around the arena, either coaching the Milton Charles or watching the town's minor talent perform. In the summer however, it's considerably more difficult to find the former pro shabby star. In this part of the country there are quite a few golf courses and Enio manages to hit nearly every one of them during the summer. We were talking to a knowledgeable golfer from town the other day and he suggests that Enio is quite probably the best golf shooter from the immediate town and district. We've never seen him play, but from our golfing experiences, it wouldn't do much good anyway. We somehow tend to ten-putt even the friendliest greens so we won't comment on the ability of other duffers.

So taking all things into consideration, Enio was probably out golfing when we called, so we forgive him.

Call Number Two: Murray Whistler: Besides being a softball hurler of the first magnitude, Murray is coach of the Milton Tyke All-Star team and it was because of this position that we decided to contact him. As far as we know, we can't blame golf for our inability to contact this individual, but either his coaching or his playing careers could account for his absence. Coaching an All-Star team these days isn't a very easy chore and many find that at least three nights a week are taken up with the youngsters. Add to this the possibility of Murray working shift work or playing softball, and you nearly have a full week.

Call Number Three was to genial Jim Hamilton who serves double duty as a busy farmer and a successful baseball coach. For the past several seasons Jim has charted the fortunes of the Hornby Red Shirts in Halton Rural Softball play and keeping in touch with the ball team and the farm is enough to keep anyone out of trouble during the summer months. Most farmers find it necessary to work from shortly after dawn to just before sunset each day and that leaves Jim nearly enough time to follow the Red Shirts and pick up 40 winks of sleep, providing he doesn't take time out to eat.

After three unsuccessful attempts we were beginning to think that Alexander Graham Bell might have goofed slightly in the design of the infamous Bell Blower. With fingers and toes carefully crossed, we dialed the fourth number in the hopes of finding Dick Clement at the other end of the line. Much to our chagrin however, we learned that Dick was out chasing the Red Sox ball squad through their paces. The Sox have been blowing hot and cold this season and many of their chilliest efforts can be justifiably blamed on the team having to play desperately shorthanded on several occasions. Understanding Dick's problems, we congratulate him for his efforts and forgive him for not being home.

By this time we were nearly at the end of the proverbial rope and were still without column material. Our fifth and final attempt however was a fool hardy effort for we tried to contact the most elusive man in the history of Campbellville, Merchant manager Len Andrews. Once before Len had told us that he was only in after 10.30 at night and before seven in the morning except on Saturdays and Sundays when he isn't at home at all, but we did try. And not to our surprise, he wasn't home.

So briefly, you can see how frustrating it can be to try to contact people. Seems the only people you can always get a hold of, are the fellows that are after your scalp.

Merchants Trounce Red Sox 10-2 Celebrate Village's Anniversary

Campbellville took over sole possession of first place by a slight half game margin on Saturday when they defeated Milton 10-2. The game was part of the Village's 50th Anniversary celebrations and was played under ideal weather conditions.

Roberts Pitches Veteran southpaw Jack Roberts went the route for the winners and was in complete control all the way as he scattered four hits and struck out nine. Wayne Hilson and Merv Fletcher shared mound duties for Milton allowing ten runs off 15 hits. They walked six and struck out six.

Campbellville went into a three run lead in the third when Henderson drove a long home run over the left field fence after Roberts and Wingrove had singled. Milton got one back in the fourth when Don Currie was safe on an error, went to second on another miscue, took third on a fielder's choice and scored when Inglis was being run down after being caught between second and third. Campbellville got that one back in their half to make it 4-1 when King singled, was pushed to second by a walk and scored on Roberts' single. Three singles by Henderson, McPhail and Dredge produced another in the fifth for Campbellville.

In the top of the sixth Milton scored their final run to make it 5-2 when Don Currie singled, went to second on Ron Phillips' single, was sacrificed to third and scored on an infield out.

Cairns Homers Twice Campbellville picked up three more in the seventh on only two hits but there were three walks

Locals Blanked Dundas Wins 3-0

Dundas Bantams confined all their scoring to the third inning yesterday afternoon, as they blanked the Milton Bantams 3-0 in a Halton County Bantam contest. Keith Higgs was charged with the loss.

Don Hearn, up from the Pee Wees for the game, clubbed a triple for Milton while Barry McTrash had a double and a single and Gary Naylor and Keith Higgs each singled. The locals were without Trevor Houston and Ken Parton for the game. Both recently received a one game suspension. Milton's next game is slated for Saturday afternoon against the Oakville "B" team at the fair grounds.

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and an error thrown in by Milton. The safeties were a homer by Earl Cairns and a single by Moore.

In the eighth Cairns again opened the inning with a homer and then Moore walked and scored from first on McPhail's double to complete the scoring for the afternoon.

Four Sox Hits Bill Currie, Don Currie, Ron Phillips and Gord Hasselfeldt all singled for Milton. Earl Cairns led the Campbellville attack with two home runs and a single. Stan Henderson homered and singled. Al Wingrove and Larry McPhail doubled and singled, Stu King and Jack Roberts each singled twice and Elmer Dredge and Ken Moore singled once.

Footnotes — Earl Cairns' first homer was a little tainted as right fielder Chris Ramshaw tipped it over the fence, but his second one cleared the fence, road,

Announce Rural Loop Standings For Halton Minor Ball Squads

League standings for each of the three divisions in Halton Rural Minor Softball play were released this week by secretary Mel Dolby. The standings show:

	W	L	Pts
Omagh	3	1	6
Cedar Springs	3	0	6
Hornby	2	1	4

	W	L	Pts
Lowville	1	1	2
Drumquin	1	4	2
Scores: Cedar Springs 20, Lowville 10; Drumquin 15, Lowville 9; Omagh 17, Drumquin 14; Hornby 10, Omagh 4.			

	W	L	Pts
Omagh	4	1	8
Lowville	3	1	6
Drumquin	2	2	4
Hornby	2	1	4
Moffat	0	5	0

	W	L	Pts
Lowville	4	0	8
Omagh	1	2	2
Moffat	0	2	0

Scores: Lowville 7, Moffat 5; Lowville 16, Omagh 2; Lowville 15, Moffat 2.

HOST HOCKEYISTS Milton Fire Brigade members turned chefs Wednesday evening of last week, when they hosted their namesakes, the Junior Firefighters hockey squad, to a luncheon honoring their novice league championship last winter. The firemen served hot dogs and soft drinks to the children, while adults present munched on coffee and doughnuts. Three films were shown and crests were awarded all the players, coach Bob Watkins and manager Vern Bridgman. The team presented their trophy and a team photo to the Fire Brigade, to be hung in the fire hall for the next year.

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Campbellville — Roberts and Fetter, Joyce (9).

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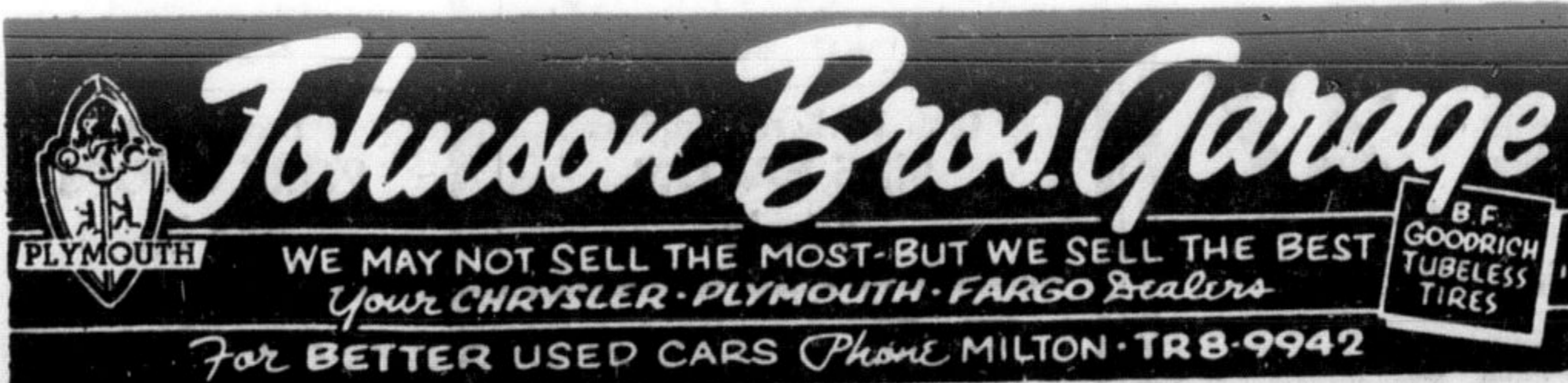
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