

Sport Sports

By FRED S'MPSON



Choose your partners for Russian roulette and game's not over until you shoot yourself. That has to be the feelings shared by members of the Hughes Senior "A" fastball team and their fans after a cold Turkey Thanksgiving weekend in the sulphur-infused lands of Sudbury.

You must know the story by now. Tragical. The sun went right out of the day. Rain fell. Morning came and Sudbury was miles away. Hughes lost. Not a night's exaggeration. Only four suicides.

"We played a really bad first game and they were all over us in the second one."

Speaker was Team Manager Ron Nicholson who was putting on a brave front seconds after they had wrestled the gun away from him. "I honestly feel their hurler wouldn't make any team in the Beaches League. It just wasn't our day. We couldn't get to him."

Even Reno Pettenuzzo wasn't enough to stop the tidal wave. He had problems saving his own life.

Says Reno: "Nothing was working, the drop, fastball, nothing." The statistics bear him out. Reno only managed six strike-outs in the first game which Sudbury won 6-5. An average for him is 6-5. An average for him is 19. He gave up seven hits in this one, was wild.

But it was game number two that ran him to cover behind some slag heaps. Sudbury contacted everything he threw at them and did it good. It was 15 hits and two home runs off Pettenuzzo and Ab Deasley who replaced him.

But let's be realistic. He didn't get much help from his teammates who kicked in with eight errors—that's eight, count them—in the first game alone.

What happened? What makes a team play tremendous ball throughout the season, sneak by a powerful St. Thomas team in three games to win the Southern Ontario laurels, and then suffer a disastrous collapse?

Doubt if anyone knows the perfect answer but it was probably a combination of a lot of things including a letdown from the St. Thomas effort, slight over-confidence, a bad day, and horrors—a better Sudbury team?

"You have to give credit to Sudbury," said Manager Nicholson. "They had some good ball-players going for them."

Ron has one theory which is probably the key to what happened.

"We just let down and for the first time in the season Reno couldn't step in and save the day." Pettenuzzo turned out to be human after all.

In conclusion: Hughes had a great season and full credit marks go to Manager Nicholson, Coach Bill McBratney, Sponsor Tom Hughes and the players. No one wants to lose.

To Football

But things are brighter elsewhere in town especially with the football Richmond Hill Indians who copped the Metro Toronto Football Union League title for the second straight year.

They did it by walloping East York 33-13 Saturday and High Park 20-7 on Monday at the town park. The Indians will receive the Roy Hallet trophy for their fine efforts.

And listen to this. This is the fourth year for the trophy and the Indians have won it three times (in 1962, 1964 and 1965).

That's a sparkling record for manager Del Madeley and his team and I'll bet you there are any amount of people who don't even know the Hill has a football team. They close out the schedule October 23 against the East Enders at the town park before the playoffs commence. The team is sponsored by the way by William Lazenby of Allencourt Pharmacy.

It's beginning to appear like most of the Richmond Hill and area sporting fraternities could have done without Thanksgiving. Who needed it. They got the turkey anyway.

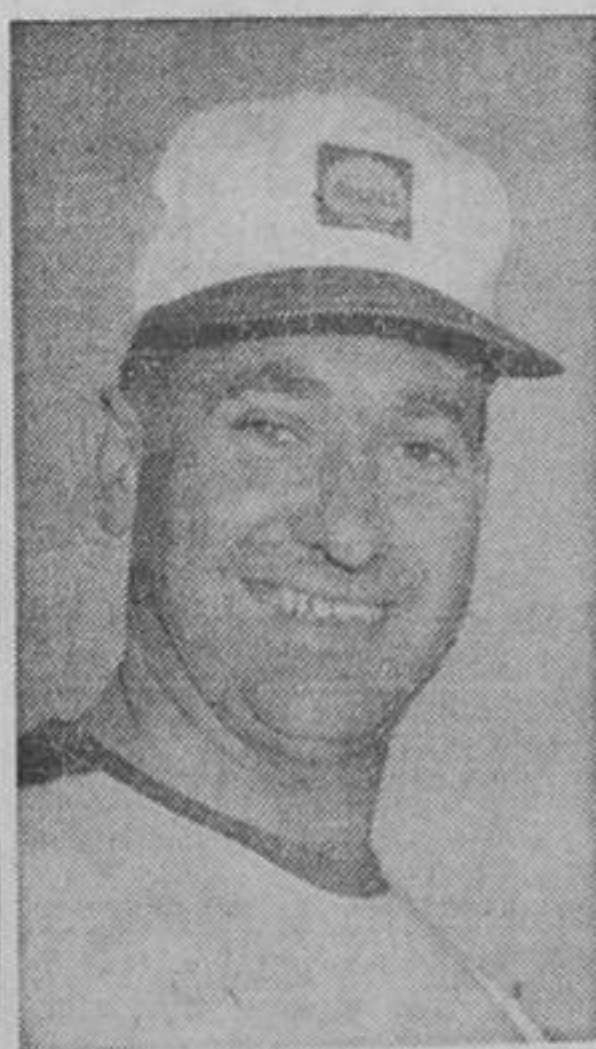
Take Andy Murphy's Thornhill BA Plaza Juniors. They're out of the finals after losing Monday 3-0 to South Buxton in Tavistock. That was a rough one to lose but the team did well getting to the finals and, as they say, there is always next year.

Hockey Note

Acting Coach Russ Cripps (acting until they find a permanent mentor) announces the Richmond Hill Dynes Senior hockey club is continuing to work out with hopes high for a successful season in the newly-named York-Simcoe Senior Hockey League.

Cripps reports that some of the 1964-65 stalwarts are back including Matt Kinnari, Jim Wells, Doug McInnis, etc. One newcomer is Ed Surwicki who, according to Russ, is a shifty centre from "out West". If that name turns out to be spelled wrong... just blame Russ.

Also working out with the team is Stan Thornington who played with Newmarket last season and should be a welcome addition if he decides to stay with the team.



CHARLES REID
Capable Replacement

Hughes Capture Southern Ontario Title

Hughes Shell's will never be involved in a more dramatic ball game than the one played Wednesday of last week which saw them edge St. Thomas 1-0 to win the OASA Senior "A" Southern Ontario Championship.

Reno Pettenuzzo and Dick Hames, the two best pitchers in Ontario, battled 14 innings in Hamilton before Reno started the rally that dethroned the defending All-Ontario champions.

Pettenuzzo once again proved his superiority by adding Hames to the list of big name favorites he has defeated in OASA series. Last year it was Ray Judd. For the St. Thomas game

Reno was taped throughout his whole upper body to prevent any further damage to his pulled side muscles.

He allowed only four scattered hits over the distance and walked only two. All told Reno pitched 28 innings against St. Thomas and did not allow a run giving up only seven hits (one every four innings), struck out 52 batters and walked five.

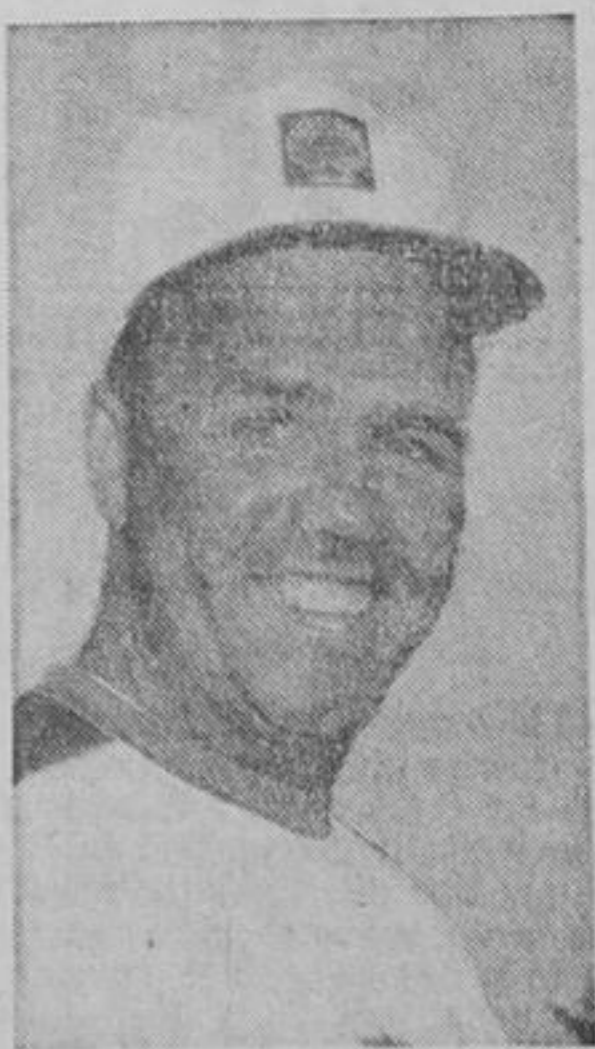
Undoubtedly Reno Pettenuzzo has proven to be the best pitcher in Southern Ontario during the 1965 season and this victory was especially rewarding to Reno and Catcher Ron Klazer since St. Thomas had approached both boys to accompany their

team to Clearwater, Florida, to play in the World Tournament and then changed their mind without any explanation at all.

Pettenuzzo led off in the 14th inning with a line drive off opposing hurler Hames' hand, Coach McBratney fooled the St. Thomas infield by having "Skip" DeGeer bunt on a third strike. Both runners were safe.

Charlie Reid, who has played tremendously since replacing Pete Conacher at second base, followed with a ball hit over second base.

The shortstop threw to the second baseman for one out and his relay to first caught the first baseman asleep as he was watching the play instead of covering his position. When the ball rolled over the foul line Reno scored and Hughes were Southern Ontario Champions.



BRUCE STAUGHTON
Starry Performance

Local Badminton Club Goes Back To Monday

Richmond Hill Badminton Club members will be doing their playing on Monday nights at Bayview Secondary School—after all.

This is the latest word from President Derek Smith who announced the time change from Tuesday. The sessions will be from 7:30 to 11 pm.

The club had always played on Monday nights but had switched to Tuesdays at the request of a school organization.

Playing time will remain as is at Langstaff Secondary School on Thursdays from 7:30 pm on.

Langstaff A-Go-Go-Go!

School life at Langstaff is always a busy affair and this past week was no exception. Two new clubs were formed: the trampoline club and the jazz and folk club. The trampoline club will have its first meeting this week and the jazz and folk club held their first meeting last week. The jazz and folk club under the auspices of Miss Rose is something new for Langstaff. Records will be played and then discussed by the members of the club at the weekly meetings with the study of the two different types of music being alternated.

Thursday night at the SAC (Students' Association Committee) meeting the house system of intramural activities was introduced by the head of the GAA (Girls' Athletic Association) Pat King. This system will be in effect within the next few weeks. The entire student population is to be placed into one of four houses.

Each house will have one male and one female captain. These will choose the members of their house who will remain in this house for the remainder of his or her high school career. For the first year, members of the teaching staff will choose the heads of each house, but after that the captains of individual houses will be elected by members of that house. Each house will be divided into three divisions: senior, junior, and intermediate. There will be an equal number of seniors, juniors and intermediates in each house.

The houses will then compete against each other in all intramural activities. This includes everything from basketball to chess to drama to intellectual achievements. Points will be awarded for every game victory and membership participation in other activities. The progress of each house will be posted in a conspicuous place so as to be seen by all students. At the end of the year the house with the greatest number

of points will be declared the winning house which will be presented with a plaque to be exhibited in the display case in the main corridor.

The idea of the "house system" is that it will encourage an increase in participation in extra-curricular activities and also show a substantial increase in the already evident school spirit.

The girls' volleyball team was chosen this past week. The team is composed of many of last year's players plus new blood, and we naturally expect bigger and better things of the girls this year. Two teams have been chosen for the powder puff game to be held October 14. This game promises to rival even the senior games for excitement and "off the cuff" plays.

Langstaff was excellently represented in the Georgian Bay District Golf Tournament October 9 at the Sharon Golf Course. Out of 17 schools we placed second; tied with Orillia, Langstaff's John Wilkinson, winner of the CPGA sponsored Ontario Caddies Golf Tournament placed second in the senior division. In order that John might finish the last hole the green had to be lighted by automobile headlights. John shot a 76, only one stroke behind the leader, and four strokes over par.

The rugby team attended a clinic held at St. Andrews on October 6. Altogether four schools attended the clinic, and the boys assured themselves of the basic fundamentals of the game, plus learning a few tricks of the trade. The soccer team has been practising regularly for their first game in the near future. Both the rugby and soccer teams are under the direction of Mr. Armstrong.

Langstaff played two football games this past week. On October 6 the intermediates played at Markham and lost by a score of 20 to six. It was said that if it had not been for the inspiring half time talk of Coach Herlihey the score might have been much worse. The lone scorer for Langstaff was Jim Mustard on an end run; defensive standout for Langstaff was

Linebacker Daver Rothen. The seniors fought valiantly Friday in that mud bowl game but came out on the losing end. The score in that game was 14-0 for Markham.

Tomorrow night, October 15, is the date of the Sadie Hawkins Dance. Emcee for the night is Brian Skinner of CHUM. It's sure to be a fun night with Brian's Grooveyard Sounds and all his groovy prizes. So all you little lotus blossoms be sure to go out and corral your man and bring him in for the big dance, this Friday night.

—G. Middleton
—M. Presscott

Reynolds, Pugh Still Battling

With co-operation from the weatherman, Reynolds Shoes Pee Wees played the second and what could be the final game for the North York League Championship Tuesday night at Mount Albert. This game, scheduled for last Thursday was postponed because of rain. Len Pugh's Bantams are waiting for word of the date of the final game of their championship series with Vandorf.

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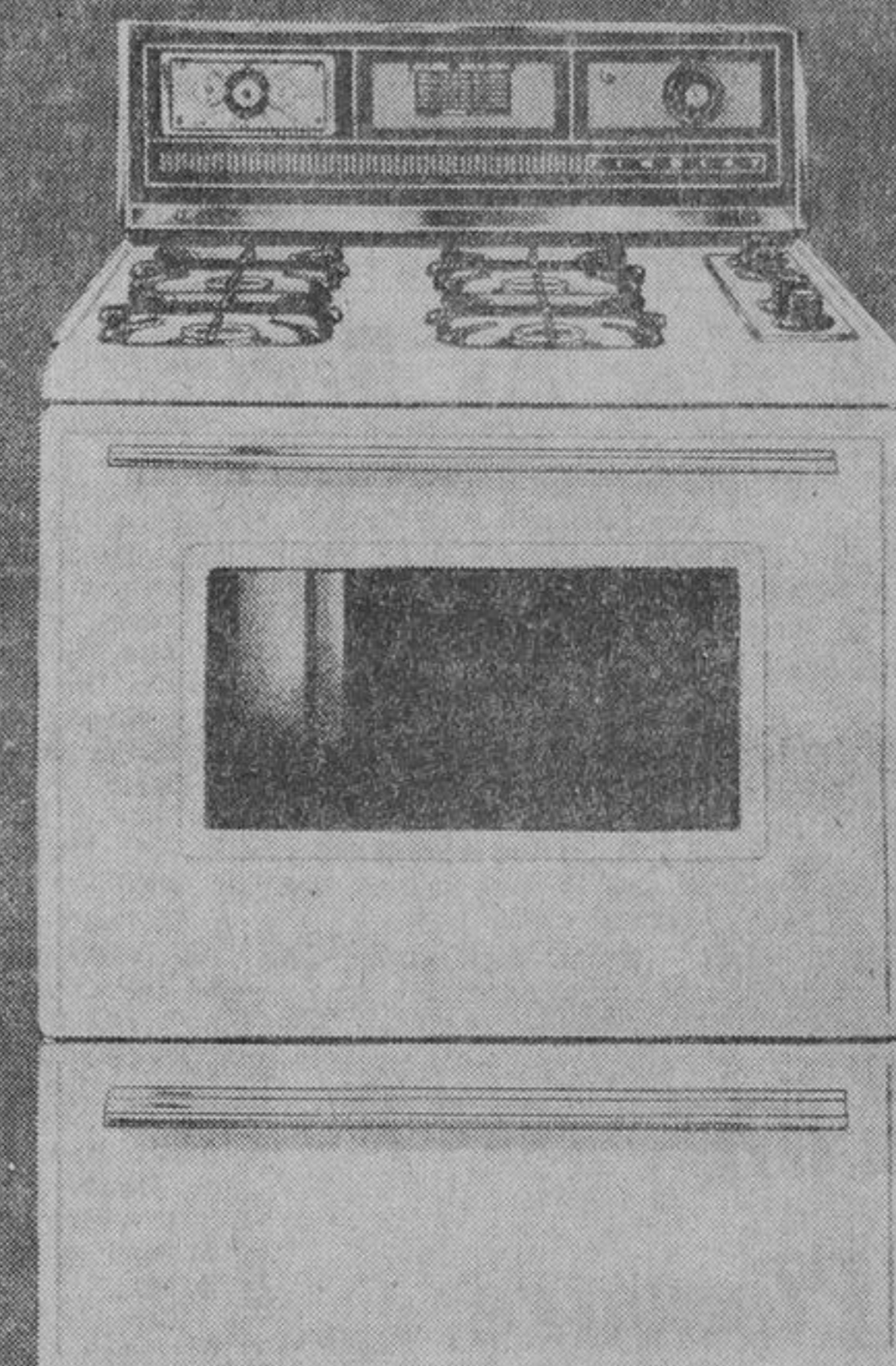
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