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Unfortunate Racial Incident

"I'm very disappointed with my people here on the Six Nations," said Agnes Green, manager of the Lockport, N. Y. ladies softball team, after a 14 year old negro girl left the field in tears after being taunted by the name "nigger" at Ohsweken on Tues. night. Several fans were heard using the offensive name and the Lockport team claimed one of the players also made offensive remarks.

All right-thinking people on the Six Nations can only agree with "Aggie" when she said, "It's too bad some people can be so ignorant."

Ohsweken's fans should remember that our girls have to go to Lockport, as well as 6 other cities and it would be unfortunate if they were subjected to name-calling at these places, as this young coloured girl was at our ball park.

Ohsweken Mohawks Keep On Winning

Ohsweken Mohawks, Six Nations entry in the Niagara District Ladies Softball League, have won 3 games out of 4 thus far, and in spite of bad weather which ruined almost every practice, they look like potential champions.

Their strong point this year has been pitching. With Ruth Hill and Bev. Beaver throwing strikes past the opposition, the other teams have found the youthful Mohawks hard to beat. The only possible downfall this year could be the Mohawks' youth and inexperience. The Ohsweken team's infield sometimes looks like a public school kids' team. So far, they have not been tested too well because of the strong pitching.

Brenda Davis in the outfield and Bev Beaver on the mound and at 2nd base have come up with several fielding gems, however which have made the team look more adequate in this rather strong intermediate league. Louise Sibbick behind the plate and Carolyn Martin at short stop have also given the pitchers good support.

Thus far, the Mohawks have beaten Burlington 2-1, Hamilton 13-10, and Lockport, N.Y. 8-5, although this was really an exhibition game. Because of school exams, music lessons and death in one family, only 8 signed players turned up for this game and so it had to be forfeited to Lockport according to league rules. The only team to win over the Mohawks on the field was Hamilton West End. The score was 7-6.

As long as the two pitchers stay healthy and 9 of the 16 signed players can find time to go to the games, the Ohsweken Mohawks figure to go on winning, the rest of the summer.

On Tuesday June 18, Thorold will meet the Mohawks at Ohsweken at 8:15 P.M.

Six Nations News

The Six Nations' Council, at their June meeting, approved the request for the placement of a plaque at Mohawk Chapel commemorating the site of Mohawk Village, the first settlement of the Six Nations on the Grand River, following their migration from the Mohawk Valley in 1783. The request was made by Dr. Richard Pilant, Brantford. The lands committee will determine the site of the plaque.

Caretaker

Mr. Earl Froman has been appointed caretaker of the fair grounds. His duties will commence immediately.

Home Improvement

The Council will co-operate 50-50 with the Ohsweken Fair Board regarding the Home Improvement Competition.

Lacrosse

Mr. Bill Isaacs is presenting a picture of his brother Lance and himself, both former super lacrosse players, to be hung in the Six Nations Council House. A picture of Lance Isaacs hangs in the Hall of Fame of Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto.

Certificate of Merit

At the July meeting of the Six Nations Council, Certificates of Merit will be awarded to Mr. David Mitson, Dundas, and Mrs. Mina Burnham, R. R. 1 Ohsweken.

An outstanding musician, Mr. Mitson was Band Master of the Six Nations Band for many years. He is also an artist of merit and designed the eight beautiful stained glass windows in the Mohawk Chapel, which depicts the history of the Six Nations. Mr. Mitson is also the designer of the Certificate of Merit.

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