

Grandslam Homer Gives Norlina Win Over Gaston

ROANOKE RAPIDS — Norlina's Frank Perkinson slapped a grand slam homer in the first inning on Thursday of last week at Davie Field to win his own ball game over Gaston 5-1, advancing the Norlina Blue Wave into District 3 play-offs for the third straight year.

After this frame both pitchers settled down and did well with Winifred Powell of Gaston holding the "Big Blue" to eight hits in the nine inning sudden death play-off tilt between two conference champions.

Norhampton champs, Gaston, were far from embarrassed as the young, sophomore-laden team held the senior champs from the Halifax-Warren conference to only one run in the last eight innings.

Frank Perkinson struck out 10 and walked three to take the win which moves Norlina in a waiting position while the Franklin County winner plays the Orange and Person County winner.

Bobby Jones tied off with a too-hot-to-handle drive to third base and was followed by a walk issued to Charles Mulchi and a double by Billy Fuller to load the bases. Perkinson then hit his grand slam homer making it a rapid fire 4-0 over the Rebels.

The Rebels threatened in the first when Billy Colston walked and stole second, advancing to third on a single by Roy Aycock. With two gone, the next man up flew out to first ending the threat.

It was three up and three away for Gaston in three out of the next four frames while Norlina rapped out two hits in the fourth but ended the inning with a man on third and second and no runs.

Gaston's lone run came in the seventh when Clyde Aycock was a hit batsman and with one out was scored on a double by Pete Jones, the catcher.

Norlina scored in the eighth with two outs when Frank Mayfield walked and advanced to second on a fielder's choice.

Bobby Jones singled him home for the last tally of the game.

Jones and Perkinson with two hits led Norlina while Tommy Copeland banged out two of Gaston's seven hits.

Powell whiffed 12 Norlina batters and set Mulchi, the clean-up man, down three times for a fine performance.

Warren Plains, Norlina Junior Teams Split Games

The Warren Plains and Norlina Junior baseball teams divided a double-header game played on the 12th and Saturday afternoon.

Warren Plains Little Leaguers romped over their opponents 18 to 3 Warren Plains Pony Leaguers won a hard-earned but well deserved 4-3 victory in the nightcap.

Little League Game

John Mayfield allowed Warren Plains only three hits, scattered over as many innings in pitching his team to an 18-3 win. He also led at bat with two singles and a double in four official tries. Robert Brantley, Norlina catcher, has two for three.

Warren Plains got two of its runs in the first frame when Johnnie Rivers drew a base on balls and was driven around by Myrick's home run. Stegall and King had Warren Plains' other hits.

Norlina garnered twelve hits of three Warren Plains pitchers. Stegall caught for Warren Plains.

Left-hander Jimmie Overby of Warren Plains allowed Norlina only two hits in posting a 4-3 extra-inning victory. He was supported by his teammates with almost flawless defense.

Overby also led at bat with three of his team's five hits. Wildness kept him in trouble for much of the game but he was able to leave 9th Norlina base runners stranded. He struck out five.

Warren Plains gained its three runs during the regulation seven innings, mostly on spotty fielding by Norlina, as Andrew Hundley, pitching for Norlina, failed to get the support given his found opponent. He struck out 15.

With one out in the ninth, Warren Plains filled the bases on two walks and an error. Buck Wiggins relieved Hundley. First baseman Drake greeted him with a drive over the centerfielder's head to break up the game.

Although it was an obvious home run and the batter deserves no less credit, his hit was scored as a single and his team on run due to a rule technicality. The official rule states that a game ends immediately when the winning run scores in the last half of the final inning, except when the ball is hit over a boundary fence or into a stand. In that case all runs would count. At any other stage of the game, Drake's hit would have been scored as a grand slam home

Norlina	AB	R	H
Raffin, cf	3	2	0
Rudd, cf	1	0	0
Brantley, c	3	3	2
Moody, p	4	3	3
Seaman, rf	4	2	1
L. King, 1b	3	2	1
Hege, 2b	1	0	1
G. Perkinson, 2b	1	0	1
S. King, ss	2	1	1
Hawks, ss	1	0	0
B. Perkinson, 3b	1	1	1
Floyd, lf	1	0	0
Robinson, cf	3	1	1
Vaughan, 3b	1	0	0
Meadows	1	0	0

Warren Plains	AB	R	H
Bartholomew, ss	3	0	0
Rivers, 2b	1	2	0
Myrick, 3b	3	1	1
Stegall, c	3	0	1
Overby, p	2	0	0
Hilliard, cf	1	0	0

run. Allen Lynch doubled in the third and Johnny Mayfield singled in the seventh for Norlina's two hits. Walter Smiley had Warren Plains' other hit.

Keeler caught for Norlina; Stegall for Warren Plains.

Norlina	AB	R	H
Hundley, p	2	1	0
Keeler, c	5	0	0
Mayfield, 1b	3	0	1
Lynch, lf	3	0	1
Allen, lf	1	0	0
Carroll, cf	3	0	0
Jordan, 3b, cf	4	0	0
King, rf	4	0	0
W. Weaver, 3b	1	0	0
Haves, 2b	2	2	0
F. Weaver, rf	0	0	0
Wiggins, cf, p	3	0	0

Warren Plains	AB	R	H
B. Stegall, c	2	1	0
Drake, 1b	4	1	1
Bartholomew, ss	3	0	0
A. Stegall, cf	4	0	0
Overby, p	4	0	1
Smiley, 3b	4	0	1
Smiley, 3b	3	0	0
Leonard, rf	2	0	0
Stegall, rf	2	0	0
Bolton, lf	4	1	1

Score by innings:
NORLINA 4 0 0 0 0 10-5
GASTON 0 0 0 0 0 10-1

Score by innings:
Norlina 4 7 7 0 0-18
W. Plains 2 0 1 0 0-3

Score by innings:
Norlina 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 1-4
W. Plains 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 0-3

Afton News

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Waddell and daughters of Delco spent the weekend with Mr. M. H. Felts.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Pinnell, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Munn, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Munn and Mr. William Louis Fuller attended the Stock Car Races at Lawrenceville, Va., on Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pinnell and son, Willis, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Paynter and son, Macee, were dinner guests of Mrs. V. J. Pinnell and Mr. W. T. Pinnell on Sunday.

Mrs. W. G. Maddrey, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Blanche Burroughs, returned to her home at Fort Bragg on Monday. Mrs. Burroughs accompanied her for a visit.

Mr. M. H. Felts was a supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fuller and family on Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Martin, Miss Lula Belle Fuller and Mrs. Annie Pascall visited Mrs. Hester Curl at Mrs. Faucette's Nursing Home in Warrenton on Tuesday.

Miss Mabel Butts of Richmond, Va., was a dinner guest in the home of Mrs. W. H. Martin on Monday.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Pinnell on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Compton and family and Mrs. Otis Compton of Ringgold, Va., and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Andrews and family. Mrs. Alice Southerland of Essex, Mr. Hart Pinnell of Charlotte and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Fuller visited Mr. and Mrs. Pinnell in the afternoon.

Relatives and friends from here attending a picnic dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Currin at Middleburg on Sunday in honor of Mrs. Rebecca Felts were Mr. and Mrs. John Felts, Mr. Jack Felts, Mr. M. H. Felts, Mrs. Vernon Mabry, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Steed, Mr. Vernon Steed, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fuller and family, Mrs. Kate Daniel, Master Kelly Daniel, Miss Lula Belle Fuller and Mr. Harry Jackson Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fuller of Greenville visited relatives here this weekend.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Beeker were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Andrews and family on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Pinnell visited Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Powell at Maria Parham Hospital in Henderson on Tuesday morning.

The family of Mrs. Blanche Burroughs enjoyed a picnic dinner at the Afton-Eberon Clubhouse on Sunday. Those attending from a distance were Mrs. W. G. Maddrey of Fort Bragg, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Wynn and Mr. Earl Wynn of South Hill, Va., Mrs. N. P. Moseley, Phil Moseley, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Palmer and Jean Palmer of Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Weaver and sons of Norlina.

Dinner guests of Mrs. Henry Halthcock of Macon on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Wilton E. Loyd, Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. King and little son of Macon, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Halthcock and family of Arlington, Va., Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Halthcock and son, Tim, of Hillsboro, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Mills, and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Linkous and family of Hampton, Va., and Mr. L. B. Halthcock of Butner.

Misses Myrtle and Eva Grant of Richmond, Va., were guests of Mrs. Ivey Allen and Miss Mabel Davis on Wednesday.

Mother's Day Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Gertson King entertained at a Mother's Day dinner on Sunday for the following relatives: Mrs. B. P. Weaver of Warren Plains, Cary Weaver of Garner, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weaver of Winton, Robert Daniel and family of Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pate and daughter and Mrs. Louise Pate and son of Goldsboro, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hardee and sons of Windsor, W. R. Mustian of Warwick, Va., and Bobby Bolton and son of Norlina.

LITTLETON NEWS

Mrs. J. T. Clark and Miss Dora Clark visited their brother, Mr. Will Clark, and Mrs. Clark in Rocky Mount one night last week. Mr. Clark is recovering from surgery.

The Rev. and Mrs. M. Y. Self, the Rev. H. R. Ashmore and Mrs. Garland May visited Mr. May in Veterans Hospital in Richmond, Va., on Friday.

Mrs. I. L. Beane is a patient in Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

Mr. W. W. Johnston is able to be out again after being hospitalized last week in Roanoke Rapids Hospital.

Mr. Nick Mustian is improving at his home here.

Norma Best of the Park View School of Nursing was at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Best over the weekend.

Matt Ransom Johnston of Duke University in Durham spent the weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Humphreys and baby were Sunday dinner guests of Miss Dora Clark at her home on College Street. Mr. Humphreys was guest speaker at the Littleton Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning and at Gruber Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crawley visited Mr. and Mrs. Offie Davenport in Rocky Mount on Sunday.

Miss Barbara Curl of Woman's College in Greensboro spent the weekend at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Curl.

Miss Justine Stansbury of Woman's College in Greensboro was at home for the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ben Stansbury.

Mrs. Ruby Sims and Miss Sadie Vincent of Wilson were recent guests of Dr. and Mrs. Horace Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchard were recent guests of Mrs. Hinton Pritchard, mother of Mr. Pritchard.

Mrs. Peter R. Schmidt and children, Anne and Robert of Norfolk, Va., were recent overnight guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Parker and her grandmother, Mrs. N. G. Pitt.

Miss Annie Alexander has been a recent visitor in Burlington.

Miss Betty White of Peace College in Raleigh has been a recent guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Travis White.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam J. Clark of Dunn were recent guests of Miss Dora Clark and other relatives here and in Roanoke Rapids.

Mrs. L. C. Copeland of Woodland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Threewitts, and Mr. Threewitts and family.

Mrs. Harvey Walker a former resident of this place and Mrs. L. A. McRanie of Savannah, Ga., spent several days recently with Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Jones en route to visit Mrs. Walker's other daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Hunter and Mr. Hunter in Hampton, Va.

Misses Becky and Sally Leach of Raleigh were at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Leach over the weekend.

Mrs. Newsom To Head Study Club At Littleton

LITTLETON — Mrs. Marvin Newsom, Jr., was elected new president of the Wyanoke Study Club when the annual business meeting was held on Friday night with Mrs. Myranda Nelson on College Street.

Other officers elected were Mrs. V. F. Harrison, vice president, and Mrs. Joseph P. Newsom, secretary.

The Nelson home was decorated with arrangements of red roses, deep pink azaleas and greenery.

During the business meeting, which was presided over by the outgoing president, Mrs. Norman Moseley, there was a discussion regarding continuing the meetings through the Leaten season, so that the meetings would not conflict with school activities during the month of May. The program committee gave plans for the coming year.

At the social hour, Mrs. Nelson, assisted by Mrs. Walter Bobbitt and Mrs. Whit Nelson, served strawberry shortcake and hot toasted pecans.

The dining table was covered with a lace cloth, centered with a silver candleburn holding burning white tapers.

Those present were Mrs. M. Y. Self, Miss Elizabeth Moore, Mrs. N. G. Pitt, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Moseley, Mrs. Robert W. Mincher, and Mrs. Walter Bobbitt, a special guest.

Warrenton Girl Elected At Duke

DURHAM — Miss Harriet Daniel, a rising Junior at Duke University, has recently been elected Junior Class Dormitory Representative of Pogram Dorm.

Being active in dorm and campus activities, Harriet is a member of the Woman's Col-

lege Glee Club, and the YWCA, serving on the Parent-Daughter Weekend Committee, and working in Occupational Therapy in the children's wards at Duke Hospital.

In addition, Harriet, who is majoring in Elementary Education, is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, and has been installed as its new Social Chairman for the coming year.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Daniel of Warrenton.

Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Miles of Danville, Va., and Mrs. A. C. Blalock spent several days this week in Henderson with Mrs. E. G. Shaw.

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