

Mitchell Pitches One Hitter As WTHS Baseballers Subdue Sand Hill, 8-2

Showing early-season form, Waynesville pitcher George Mitchell set down the Sand Hill Comets, 8-2, in a one-hitter Tuesday afternoon on the Buncombe diamond. Mitchell showed power at the plate, also, and got two hits—one of which drove in a run.

Other leading Waynesville hitters were Bobby Ballance and Tony Davis, both of whom got two safeties. The 12 Mountaineers in the game accounted for 13 hits from two Sand Hill pitchers.

Mitchell struck out seven men. Rice whiffed five and Williams two for the Comets. WTHS was charged with two errors, Sand Hill with three.

Waynesville scored two in the first inning as Ezell was hit by a pitch. Robinson singled, Muse forced Ezell at third. Ballance walked and Davis singled, scoring Robinson and Muse.

The Gold and Black added two more in the second as Roberson walked, Ezell struck out, Robinson bounced out, Muse singled, scoring Roberson and Ballance singled, scoring Muse.

The Mountaineers unlimbered their shooting irons in the fifth inning for four runs as Hill walked, Mitchell singled, Roberson singled, and Stevens, hitting for Ezell, singled, scoring Mitchell and Roberson. Robinson walked, Muse struck out, Ballance singled into center field, scoring Stevens and Robinson.

Waynesville closed out its scoring in the sixth inning as Byrd singled, Hill popped out to the catcher, Byrd stole second, and Mitchell singled, scoring Byrd.

Sand Hill's only hit and sole runs came in the fourth as Cochran beat out an infield hit, Brown walked, Rice struck out, Dalton walked, and Cochran and Brown scored as the shortstop's wild throw got past the first baseman.

Waynesville's next game will be against Hendersonville Thursday night on Berkley field at Balfour. Coach Bruce Jaynes said that this will be the first game under lights for a WTHS nine.

Waynesville (8)
 Stevens, rf 2 1 1
 Ezell, rf 2 0 0
 Wright, 2b 1 0 1
 Roberson, 2b 3 2 1
 Edwards, cf 1 0 0
 Muse, cf 4 2 1
 Ballance, 3b 4 0 2
 Davis, lf 5 0 2
 Bryd, ss 4 1 1
 Hill, c 3 0 1
 Mitchell, p 3 1 2
 Roberson, 1b 3 2 1
 35 9 13

Sand Hill (2)
 Cochran, c 3 1 1
 Brown, 3b 2 1 0
 Rice, p 3 0 0
 Williams, p 1 0 0
 Dalton, lf 2 0 0
 Brinkley, 1b 2 0 0
 Fowler, ss 2 0 0
 Gatlin, 2b 3 0 0
 H. Robinson, rf 1 0 0
 Pendland, rf 2 0 0
 Davis, cf 2 0 0
 23 2 1

Bethel Errors Aid Canton In 10-4 Triumph

Aided by nine Bethel errors, Canton took a 10-4 decision over the Blue Demons at Bethel Wednesday—led by Wiley Carpenter's three-run homer in the fifth inning.

Dewayne Milner, the Black Bear hurler, struck out 10 and scattered six Bethel hits.

Capps and Owen toiled on the mound for the Blue Demons.

All Boys Wanting To Play Ball To Meet On Saturday

Here's a call for all boys who are interested in playing baseball this summer.

There will be a special meeting Saturday at five o'clock at the Hazelwood ball field to organize the four teams in the league.

If you are between the ages of 6 and 16 and want to play ball, then report to the ball field promptly at five Saturday.

This call was issued by J. C. Burrell, general manager, and A. P. Ledbetter, president of the Little League.

The meeting will be held rain or shine. If it is raining, the meeting will be transferred indoors, perhaps the school.

The meeting also includes all managers for the year.

This year's organization will be composed of four leagues—Midget, Pony, Little League, and Babe Ruth League.

The teams will be set up and plans completed for the season's play on Saturday at five.

So, fellows, limber up your throwing arm, mark your calendar, set the alarm and be at the Hazelwood field at five sharp Saturday afternoon.

Waynesville Tennis Club To Meet Friday

The Waynesville Tennis Club will make plans for its 1955 season at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Leslie, Longview Drive, in the Country Club section, according to Bill Kanos, club president.

The group will discuss the expansion of court facilities, a new tennis "ladder" and a tournament later in the season. Tentative plans have been made for matches with clubs in Canton and Asheville.

Persons interested in playing tennis here or in promoting the sport in the Waynesville area are invited to attend the meeting Friday night.

The Athletics' first player from the Kansas City area is Galen Wheeler, 20-year-old pitcher. He signed a contract with the A's farm club in the Sooner State League.

Bank Wins Second-Half Women's Bowling Crown

The Friendly Bank of Waynesville won the second-half championship in the Waynesville Women's Bowling League Tuesday night by taking two games from Murphy Chevrolet, of Canton, which has been leading the league most of the second half of the season.

The bank team finished with a record of 32½ games won, 15½ lost. Murphy's record was 30½-17½.

In third place was Welco Shoe, first-half champions, with a mark of 27½-20½.

Liner-Sheehan was fourth with 25½-22½, Howell Motor was fifth with 17½-30½, and Dayton Rubber sixth with 10½-37½.

In the other two games Tuesday night, Liner-Sheehan took two from Howell Motor, while Welco Shoe copped a pair from Dayton Rubber.

Ann Rollman's 177 was high for the night, in the individual game class, while Ila Jean Yount posted the high series of 482.

Liner-Sheehan rolled the high team game of 802 and the Friendly Bank the high series of 2319.

Ila Jean Yount was second in the high individual game class Tuesday with 175, while Dot Phillips was third with 172.

Audrey Wyatt's 458 was good for the second high individual series, while Mary Hamlett's 455 was third.

The Friendly Bank's 796 was second in the team games, while Murphy Chevrolet's 789 was third. Murphy's 2285 was second in the team series, while Liner-Sheehan's 2271 was third.

The top 10 individual averages were:

1. M. Hamlett	142
2. A. Wyatt	142
3. M. Medford	140
4. M. Harrell	139
5. I. Yount	138
6. L. Carver	136
7. C. Elliott	134
8. R. Ray	134
9. D. Phillips	133
10. M. Martin	131

Hazelwood Faces Martel On WTHS Field Saturday

Hazelwood will open its home season in the Western North Carolina Industrial League at 3:30 p.m. Saturday on the Waynesville High diamond against the strong Martel Mills team.

On the mound for the locals will be either Jim Kuykendall of Western Carolina College, one of the top collegiate hurlers in the state, or Joe Pressley, who pitched in last week's opener to Beacon.

Manager Elmer Dudley said that much the same lineup that faced Beacon will take the field against

Martel—except for several additions from Western Carolina.

Lack of practice and the traditional open season jinx hampered Hazelwood last Saturday as Beacon scored a 14-1 victory on 14 hits—aided by four Hazelwood errors.

The locals were able to get only five hits—two triples and three singles off Beacon hurler Anders.

After a slow start last season, Hazelwood finished strong to top the runner-up spot behind champion Enka.

Top U.S. Jockeys To Duel In Derby

Arcaro Competes Against Guerin In Big Classic

By FRANK ECK
 AP Newsfeatures Sports Editor

The story of the 1955 Kentucky Derby may not be the cinch some experts are predicting for Nashua now that he has beaten Summer Tan four times out of five.

The total margin of Nashua's four wins is less than one length.

The race at Churchill Downs on Saturday (May 7) could develop into a tense riding duel between the "million dollar jockeys"—Eddie Arcaro on Nashua and Eric Guerin aboard Summer Tan.

Between them the two veteran saddiesmiths have accounted for \$2,038,880 in stake purses over the last 16 months. Although comparative figures are unavailable it is believed to be a record haul for two riders over such a short stretch of time.

In 1954 Arcaro won 29 stakes with 18 different horses over 11 race tracks in 7 states. The winning owners received \$896,190. Based on the usual 10 per cent a rider gets for winning a stake, Arcaro last year came close to earning \$90,000 for 29 rides.

Guerin took down 21 stakes with 12 different horses over 8 tracks in 5 states in 1954. Winning owners received \$692,445 for these victories.

Guerin has the jump on Arcaro. By winning eight stakes this spring, Guerin has won \$231,445 for owners of four horses. Arcaro has earned \$218,800 in purses with three stake wins this year.

However, Arcaro has been running into bad luck, despite his

winning efforts with Nashua in two \$100,000 races—The Flamingo and Florida Derby. Thus far this year Arcaro has had three 10-day suspensions.

Eddie won the \$163,360 Santa Anita Maturity with Miz Clementine but the horse was disqualified for a foul, Jamaica and Bowie suspensions also cost Arcaro the mount on Nashua in the Wood Memorial and on Fsherman in the Excelsior.

Unlike Arcaro, who rides free lance, Guerin is under contract to Alfred G. Vanderbilt's stable. This has had its reward because Van derbilt in the last two years has had Native Dancer, Social Outcast and Fjnd among his stake winners.

Arcaro, who in the last 15 years has been the rider most in demand for rich races, is the only jockey who has won the Derby five times. At the age of 40 he is favored to make it No. 6 with Nashua, the William Woodward colt he couldn't ride in the Wood because of a suspension for a minor riding infraction.

In February, when Ted Atkinson, aboard Saratoga, lodged a claim of foul against Arcaro and Nashua in the Flamingo, Arcaro said: "Nashua is the best 3-year-old. He will make any horse quit and he has yet to run his best race."

Arcaro and Nashua will get a big chance to prove it in the Derby, the first of racing's Big 3—the others are the Preakness at Pimlico, May 28 and the Belmont at Belmont Park on June 11.

Only Summer Tan, a game-hearted colt—and Jockey Guerin—seem to stand in the way of Nashua taking a stranglehold on 3-year-old honors.



EDDIE ARCARO



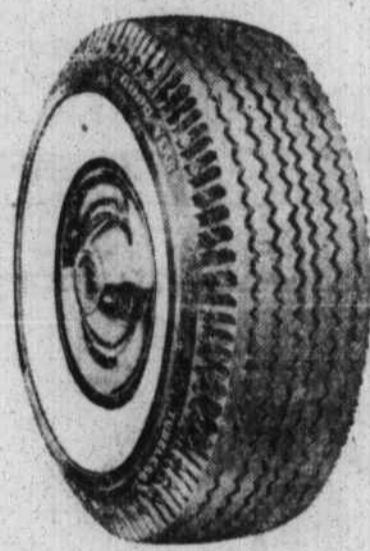
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