

'Plan A' Approved . . .

JHS Districts Voted 4-3 By School Board

Following a public hearing on redistricting for the town's two junior high schools, the Norwood School Committee voted 4-3 Monday night in favor of Plan A whereby pupils from the Balch, Cleveland and Winslow school districts will attend the present Junior High School, and those from the Callahan, Oldham, Prescott, Shattuck and Willett schools will go to the Junior High North.

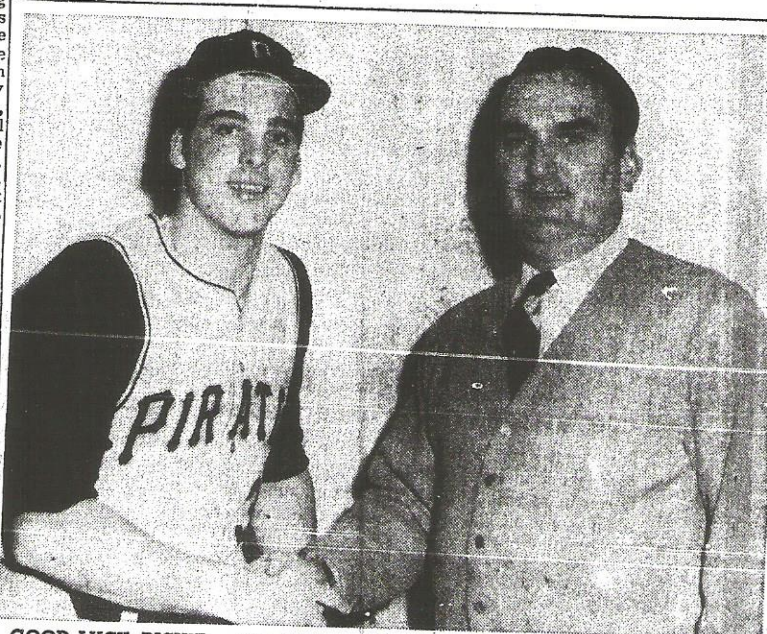
The motion, which was presented by committeeman John Cavanaugh, seconded by Henry Diggs reads: "On the recommendation of the superintendent, the school committee go on record as favoring plan A for the town of Norwood."

Voting in favor of the motion were Committeemen Cavanaugh, Diggs and Eugene Thayer. Members William Egan, Rudith Berkowitz, and Dr. Thomas Couch voted against the motion, reasoning that, in their opinion, this plan will create overcrowding at the present junior high school. Charles Saraca, exercising his power as chairman, voted in favor of the motion, thereby breaking the tie.

The voting took place at a meeting at the school administration building which followed a public hearing held earlier in the evening at the Junior High School attended by some 250 persons, including a large contingent from the Prescott School area.

Mr. Saraca opened the public meeting by introducing the school committee and explained the purpose of the meeting was to hear why the school committee favors plan "A" for redistricting. Superintendent of Schools Dr. Philip O. Coakley, in his remarks to the audience, stated that a great deal of thought had been given to this problem by the administration since its inception several years ago, projecting into the future "How to house properly 1000 pupils in one school (Jr. High North) and 750 in another." Having considered all possible combinations, with objectivity

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GOOD LUCK, RICHIE — The Pittsburg Pirates with Norwood's Richie Hebner playing third base, were set to open the 1969 baseball campaign last night against the St. Louis Cardinals, and on hand for the opener at St. Louis was Messenger Sports Editor Frank Wall, shown extending best wishes to the ex-Norwood High great in his debut in the Major Leagues.

Pirates Win 6-2 in 14 Innings

Richie Hebner Singles Off Gibson In Season Opener

By FRANK WALL

ST. LOUIS — Richie Hebner opened his major league career in St. Louis' Busch Stadium last night before a record Cardinal opening crowd of 38,163 when he singled in three times at bat off Cardinal ace Bob Gibson.

BRL Tryouts On Saturday

The Norwood Babe Ruth League will hold its tryouts for the coming season this Saturday, April 12, at the Civic.

All the boys who have already registered and are new to the league, must appear at the tryouts in order to be selected on a team. The thirteen-year-olds will report between 9-12 at the backstop. The fourteen and fifteen-year-olds will report between 2-4 o'clock. If the try-outs are rained out on Saturday, they will be held on Sunday, the thirteens at 1:00 o'clock, fourteens and fifteens at 3:30 o'clock at the Civic. Any boy who has not registered

The Pirates scored four ahead 2-1. The Cards came runs in the fourteenth inning to win the game 6-2. With a count of one ball, one strike, Hebner hit a ground ball between Gibson and first sacker Joe Torre and easily beat it out for his first major league hit, in the eighth inning.

In his initial time at bat, in the first inning, Hebner went down swinging on a Gibson fast ball after hitting two long foul flies.

His second time at bat in the third inning he lined to Torre at first base.

With the score tied 1-1 Hebner was instrumental in putting the Pirates ahead 2-1.

In the top of the sixth inning Matty Alou opened with a single and Hebner laid down a perfect sacrifice bunt sending Alou to second.

In the field Hebner had four chances. He handled three hard ground balls and made an error on a "hot shot" by Julian Javier which had no affect on the scoring.

In the tenth inning with lefthander Joe Hoerner hurling Jose Tagan pinched-hit for Hebner and finished the game at third.

The Pirates Bob Veal will face Nelson Briles in tonight's game with the finale set to be played tomorrow afternoon starting at 12:30 St. Louis time.

Throwing out the first ball was ex-Cardinal great and Hall-of-Famer, Stan Musial.



SCENE OF BREAK — Patrolman Joseph M. Tessicini examines one of two windows smashed at Joseph's Men's Store on Central Street early Friday morning where a thief stole three coats. A suspect was caught nearby and is being held in \$10,000 bail. (Eugene McLean Photo)

Suspect Nabbed After Clothing Store Break

Less than 15 minutes after the Norwood police discovered a break at Joseph's Men's Store on Central street early last Saturday morning, they had recovered three stolen coats and had a suspect in custody at the Norwood lockup.

At 1:42 a.m., Patrolmen David M. DeCosta and Benjamin J. Grudinkas, on

checking Joseph's Mens' Store at 45 Central Street, found two windows smashed, one on each side of the main entrance to the store.

They notified the police station via radio and Sgt. John Flaherty and Patrolman Paul Fulton came to their assistance. The officers recalled seeing a man walking in the area shortly before the break was discovered. The owner, Joseph Paleiko, was called from his home and after viewing the scene told police that two sport coats, one valued at \$85 the other at \$80, and a raincoat valued at \$32.50, were missing from the display window.

Norwood police toured the area and came upon a man walking near the Norwood

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New Contract Ratified By Bird Workers

Members of Local 735 Teamsters United Paper and Allied Workers, voted overwhelmingly last Thursday in favor of a new contract covering 700 Bird & Son paper mill, paper box, and roofing paper workers in East Walpole and Norwood.

The new contract, which covers a three-year period retroactive to December 19th when the previous contract expired, was ratified by a vote of 321 to 94.

Job adjustments were negotiated for a majority of all workers amounting to 8.8 cents an hour. In addition to these job adjustments, the pact calls for general wage increases of six percent for each of the three years of the contract.

Union spokesmen said that the New England Teamsters pension plan was negotiated resulting in tripling former pension benefits to be paid for by the company. In addition

Commission In Move For Airport Study

The Norwood Airport Commission Monday took the initial step aimed at making a detailed study of the Norwood Airport with an eye to future use of the airport and surrounding land as well. Commission Clerk Walter R. Ryan was directed to provide the commission with copies of a student study undertaken here several