It's Another Crown For Norwood High Baseball Team

Walpole Falls To Mustangs 6-3 As Title Is Clinched

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It was a big victory for the Mustangs and their coach Pete Wall who now officially become Bay Sate League baseball champs and will open the state tourney bid next Saturday at Murray Field in Norwood at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday afternoon.

Before that Norwood will have another thrill when they will host the all star team for the second straight season this evening at 5 p.m. in a twilight affair.

Thus the Mustangs have done it again on the baseball diamond by winning their second straight Bay State crown.

The big celebration on the field was something to see and the big word for the day from Coach Pete Wall, Bill Travers right down the line was a great big team effort won it.

"The kids worked hard all year and they wanted to win this real bad especially when we tied for the crown last year. Every one of this group gave me everything. They worked on their own during the winter in the gym and during the season they were great. Practice on Sunday mornings and every one would always be there. They're just a terrific bunch of kids and I can say that I'm proud to be with these kids. They never quit and when the big game came they always arose to the situation. They all gave it a team effort all season. I started Billy on the mound on that final pitch was on. He certainly deserved it there. Each and every was pulling for him to get last batter and when the strike was called, boy it felt great. Give the kids credit they are the ones who won it," said a jubilant Norwood High Coach Pete Wall after the Mustangs had clinched the title.

Travers was elated over the win. "It feels great to win the championship and it has to be a team effort all the way. I got a feeling that we might be big today and felt real good at the bat. The low wind bothered me a bit, but we won and that's all that counts. We are all looking forward to the state tourney", said Travers.

Travers struck out seven batters and didn't have to put any pressure as the Mustangs were on control all the way. Travers had five hits and Joe Porcello also had a big day with 4-4 including a double. Friday was perhaps Norwood's best day at the bat not in the base hit department. Travers hit two hits that carried 400 feet and Frank Eppich hit a long one. Third sacker Bill Moan also have had his best day at the plate but he didn't get a hit. He hit two long drives down center that carried over 350 feet but were caught by the Walpole outfielders who were playing real deep.

off his glove with Levya's back to the plate. Clougher and Moan scored and Eppich registered on a passed ball and Norwood had a healthy 5-0 lead.

Norwood made it 6-0 in the top of the fourth. Joe Porcello walked and went to third on Travers' third straight single. He scored when the Walpole centerfielder tossed it over the third sacker's head and the Mustangs led by a 6-0 score.

Rebels Score Three

In the top of the fifth the Rebels scored three runs to avert the shutout. John Murphy opened with a single to right. Driscoll smacked a double to deep left with Murphy scoring. Then came a heads-up play for the Mustangs. Keven Connolly singled to left scoring Driscoll and Richie Saad, Norwood shortstop, alertly cut off left fielder Frank Eppich's toss to the plate and fired to Rosata at second who put the tag on the sliding Connolly. Mike Milbury walked and scored on an infield out for the Rebels three runs, but that was all they were going to score.

Norwood had two on and none out in the top of the fifth via a walk to Clougher and a single by Eppich. Driscoll went on to pitch and grabbed Cameron Kelley's bunt and flipped to short doubling up Eppich.

Travers Connects

In the top of the sixth with the score 6-3 in Norwood's favor Travers put one out of sight. Joe Porcello was hit by a pitch and was pushed to second by Bob Rosata. Travers then belted a long line drive that kept climbing and climbing, it sailed far over John Murphy's head in right center and Travers walked around the bases for a two run homer. It was his fifth of the year. The drive went at least 450 feet before it stopped rolling.

Barry Sullivan went to the mound for Norwood in the bottom of the sixth and got the Rebels 1,2,3 with Moan making a nice play on Jeff Smith at third for the first out in the inning.

In the bottom of the seventh Driscoll and Connolly had line drive singles to left, but a neat around-the-horn double play from Moan to Rosata to Travers got Levya and Norwood was getting closer and closer to clinching the Bay State League title.

In the top of the eighth Norwood hit the ball as hard as they have all year in a single inning.

Joe Porcello doubled off the fence in deep left to start things for his fourth straight hit. Bob Rosata then hit his longest ball of the year but Murphy pulled it down at the base of the wall in center. Travers was up again and the outfield was playing in mo-man's land. He still got the wood on the bat and sailed it over the centerfielder's head for a stand-up triple scoring Porcello with Norwood's ninth run of the game.

Moan then smacked one deep to center which chased Murphy back some 350 feet before he pulled the ball down.

Jeff Smith had a single in the bottom of the eighth and Joe Anello got his first varsity hit in the top of the ninth.

Norwood Blanks Dedham 3-0 In BSL Finale

The Norwood High School baseball team ended the 1970 Bay State League baseball season on a successful note yesterday afternoon at Murray Field as they blanked Dedham 3-0 in an abbreviated six inning game which had to be called because of rain. Bill Travers went to the mound for the Mustangs and ended his Bay State career with a fine performance as he struck out 13 batters allowing two hits in the six innings. Travers win was his 13th straight this season without a loss. He now has won 25 games in the Bay State League which is a record that may never be broken.

Yesterday Dedham came to play but the Mustangs with Travers on the mound were just too much.

He struck out the side in the first, second and fourth innings and whiffed two in the third and sixth as his fast ball was really hopping.

Norwood got what proved to be the winning run in the first frame when Joe Porcello walked and later scored on Billy Moan's in-field fielders choice. Norwood's final two runs came in the fifth inning and were unearned. With two outs Bob Rosata reached on an infield error and Travers doubled to left, Bill Moan then drilled a single to right scoring Rosata and Travers and Norwood had a 3-0 lead which was the way the score ended when the rains came. In other Bay State League action yesterday it was Framingham South stopping Natick 8-0 to clinch a tourney berth while Needham bowed to Wellesley and Ace Adams 1-0. Braintree's Dave Keigan blanked Milton 2-0 while Walpole took it on the chin from Framingham North by a score.

Norwood now will open the state tourney this Saturday at Murray Field in a 1.30 p.m. game. (Frank Wall)

Bay State League Baseball Roundup

(FINAL)

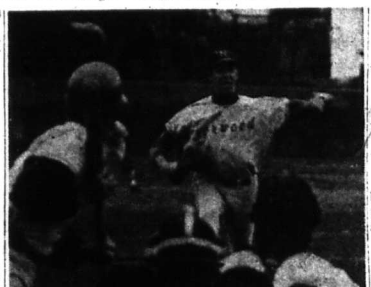
	W	L	F	A
Norwood	16	2	121	48
South	14	4	89	51
Needham	12	6	68	34
Braintree	10	8	67	60
North	8	10	96	60
Natick	7	11	86	109
Milton	7	11	70	94
Wellesley	7	11	61	96
Dedham	6	12	76	103
Walpole	3	15	61	106

Thursday Result
Wellesley 6, North 4

Friday Results
Norwood 9, Walpole 3
South 6, Needham 2
Dedham 5, Wellesley 3
Braintree 5, Natick 4
North 4, Milton 3

Tuesday Results
Norwood 3, Dedham 0
South 8, Natick 0
Braintree 2, Milton 0
Wellesley 1, Needham 0
North 5, Walpole 1

opinion the three best hurlers in the league are Travers Dick Blackwell of Braintree and Ace Adams of Wellesley



FIRING LINE — Norwood High School ace hurler Bill Travers fires ball in Walpole game last Friday afternoon. Travers won 12th straight game as Mustangs clinched Bay State League crown for second year in a row. (Dave Robinson Photo)

Babe Ruth League

Braves 7, Pirates 5

In their first meeting of the year, the Braves, sponsored by Anthony Office Furniture, defeated the Sunrise Shore's Pirates 7-5 at Gormley Park.

Pete Gugliotta was the starter on the mound for the Braves. Pete was relieved by Jack Hughes who struck out the four men he faced. Hughes, because of a little soreness in his arm, gave way to Frank Fleck on the mound. Fleck pitched the remainder of the game striking out 6, allowing the Pirates 2 hits and 1 run.

Cullen went the distance on the mound for the Pirates. Cullen struck out 15 while giving up 6 hits.

The Pirates got off to a fast start scoring 4 runs in the first inning. Maggio led off with a single, Kates walked, DiPietro doubled, McCormack reached on an error, Cullen singled, Santor singled, T. Johnson walked E. Manfield singled.

The Braves came right back with 3 runs in the 2nd. Fleck, Girvan and Hughes walked, Gugliotta singled and then Watson and Graney were walked to force across runs.

In the 3rd inning, the Braves scored 4 more times on hits by Fleck, Girvan, Hartshorn, Dileso, and Sansone.

The final Pirate run was driven home on a double by Cullen.

Jack Girvan was a stand out in the field for the Braves at third. Other fine plays were made by Pat McDonough, Frank Fleck, Pete Hartshorn and Tom Watson.

Ed Hickey was the umpire behind the plate and Bucky Sexton called the plays on the bases. A fine job by both was greatly appreciated by the teams.

Braves 7, Cubs 5

On last Sunday, the Braves, sponsored by Anthony Office Furniture were the winners over the Norwood Tire Cubs 7-

Braves put across their first run in the 2nd on a double by Hartshorn and a single by McDonough. In the 3rd, they scored again on a single by Girvan and a triple by Fleck. In the 4th inning, the Braves loaded the bases on a single by Sansone, Dileso wa shit by a pitch, and a walk to Brennan. At this point, Jack Hughes, the leading RBI man for the Braves, was sent up to pinch hit. Hughes came through again slashing a single to right and driving home 3 runs. The Braves scored another run in the 5th on a double by Fleck and a single by Hartshorn. In the 6th Brennan walked, stole second, and came across on Girvan's second hit of the game.

In the field, Jack Girvan handled everything hit his way flawlessly. Frank Fleck, as usual, handled the pitcher well and kept the opposing runners from stealing with his strong arm. Also fielding well for, the Braves were McDonough, Brennan, Hartshorn and McGowan.

McSweeney, Weiss, Fiske and Adler all performed well in the field for the Cubs.

Bob Reed called the balls and strikes and Bucky Sexton was the umpire on the bases. Both called an excellent game.

Red Sox Still Undefeated In Babe Ruth Play

RED SOX 4 - SENATORS 0

The front running Colombo Red Sox gained their fourth straight victory of the season on the strong arm of Ron Wysocki, a three hit shut-out, and the bat of thirdsacker Peter Ahern, with two big hits driving in two runs.

The Colombo's Sub Shop boys got all the runs they needed in the second inning

The White Sox scored in the bottom of the first as Brian Greeley slammed a double and scored on an error. The score remained 1-0 through the first four innings, with the Red Sox hitting the ball hard but

gle then scored the fourth and fifth runs, Shannon rounded out the scoring on an infield error.

There were several key plays by the Red Sox which

Norwood High Players Tell Why They Wanted to Win Bay State Baseball Title

The Norwood High School baseball team clinched the Bay State League baseball title on last Friday and Sports Editor Frank Wall asked each player on the club why they wanted to win the Bay State League baseball title. Their answers follow:

Bill Travers
Pitcher, Senior

I wanted to win the title because we worked so hard during the year including before the season ever opened. We were a club that played together and worked hard with one goal and that was to not have a repeat of last year's tie. This year we wanted the crown by ourselves and we went out and won it for a really great coach, Pete Wall, who has done so much for Norwood baseball in his two years as head of our team.

Bill Moan
Third Base, Senior

Last year we were forced to share the crown by losing the last game of the year to Dedham and we wanted to win it by ourselves this year. Mainly, I don't think that there is a team in the league that is equal to ours.

Frank Eppich
Senior, Outfielder

This club has worked so hard to win and we didn't want to let the crown get away from us. We had the spirit instilled in us by our coach, Pete Wall, who doesn't know the word lose. He gave us the thought that we were going to be winners and we couldn't let him down. For the town and the school and for a great team effort we went out and gained the championship.

Brad Kelley
Senior, Outfielder

Everyone on the team has worked hard and Coach Wall doesn't know the word lose. These players, especially Coach Wall, deserve a title, not a co-title this year. I couldn't think of a better bunch of guys to play with.

Bill O'Brien
Senior, Outfielder

I wanted this title more than anything. It was my first year with the varsity and I knew we had the potential. We have been working hard all season with only one thought in our mind and that was sole possession of first place and we went out and won the championship which is quite a feeling.

Bill Porcello

I think winning the Bay State League crown is something special to me. We worked hard, all, and winning meant that our work achieved something. There is a lot of prestige in winning the crown. The town gets a lot of good publicity. The main reason I wanted to win the title was pride. We knew we were best, but we had to win the title to prove to everyone that we were number one. I am just glad to be a part of this club.

Arnie Cushing
Senior, Catcher

I wanted to win the Bay State League championship for the simple reason it's a lot more fun to be a winner than be a loser. I think the main reason is to win the most games we can. It really hurt to lose the two that we did.

Walter Denzer
Senior, Catcher

The team deserved to win the crown and we deserve to win the state title. I'm just glad to be a part of the team and even though I didn't play that much it was a mighty great thrill to be part of a championship team.

Paul DiCicco

I feel that no other team has worked so hard all year and deserve the crown more than we do. This team is just one big happy family. We all pull for one another and I'm really proud to be part of the club. Also this being my last year I wanted to end it on the right foot. Coach Wall has worked so hard with us and no one deserved the title more than he does.

Joe Carey
Senior, Pitcher

It is certainly a great feeling to win a championship. Our club was a well knit unit and we all pulled for each other. To win a championship in the Bay State league is a thrill that will last with us for a long time.

Pete Tamulonis
Senior, Pitcher

This was a team that had to win the championship. The kids all worked hard with one goal on their mind and that was the title. The fine team play that prevailed all year made us the best.

Joe Porcello
Junior, Infielder

We started in the gym way back in February and we all worked so hard. It would have just been a waste if we didn't win it. Another reason is that I just love to win and it feels great to be able to say we are on a championship club. Also for our Coach who works so hard and instilled in us the idea to be a winner.

Bob Rosata
Junior, Infielder

I had three big reasons why I wanted to win this championship. The first was that we all worked so hard in practice. We gave it everything at all times. Secondly, the big idea of any sport is to be a winner and as a group we wanted to be a winner. And last but not least we wanted to be champions for our coach, who has worked so hard to make us a winner and he surely deserved to be coach of a championship team.

Dave Joy
Junior, Pitcher

I feel that the team has worked very hard since the beginning of the season. From the first practice Coach Wall instilled the will to win. We now feel we can go, all the way and win the state title. I feel that this is an honor to represent our town and this team in the state tourney.

Cameron Kelley
Junior, Catcher

I think the main reason was the team pride. This team was together throughout the year and when someone was down the team would pull together and lift him out. We had the potential but just had to prove it. The coach worked hard all year and this must have been a thrill for him. I just hope we can follow up next year.

Brian Clougher
Junior, Infielder

After being co-champs last year we knew we had a good shot at the title this year. We worked hard early in the season and it paid off. We were one of the favorites for the title so everyone was up for us, and we had plenty of spirit. We couldn't let the people of Norwood down.

Richie Saad
Junior, Infielder

I wanted to win the Bay State League title because we deserved it. Our team has worked hard this year and gave a little extra when we needed it especially against Braintree. We wanted to show that Norwood is here to stay at the top for a long time.

Joe Johnson
Sophomore, Infielder

I wanted to win the crown mostly because of all the hard work we put in, this year, but also to uphold our position as defending Bay State Champs. The pride of this position extends from the all-star regulars all the way down to the players who do not see much playing time.

Barry Sullivan
Sophomore Pitcher

I wanted to win the Bay State League crown because we have worked hard all year beginning in the gym and going through the season. At the beginning of the year Coach Wall said we had better material than last year and we should win it and I think all the players on the team won it for Coach Wall.

Joe Anello
Sophomore, Outfielder

I wanted to win the title because we all worked so hard. We proved that we were the best by winning all the big ball games. Some credit should also go to the Little League and Babe Ruth League who helped us all out. Being a sophomore the thrill of playing on a championship team is one I will never forget. I thank Coach Wall for giving me a chance of being a part of this great team.