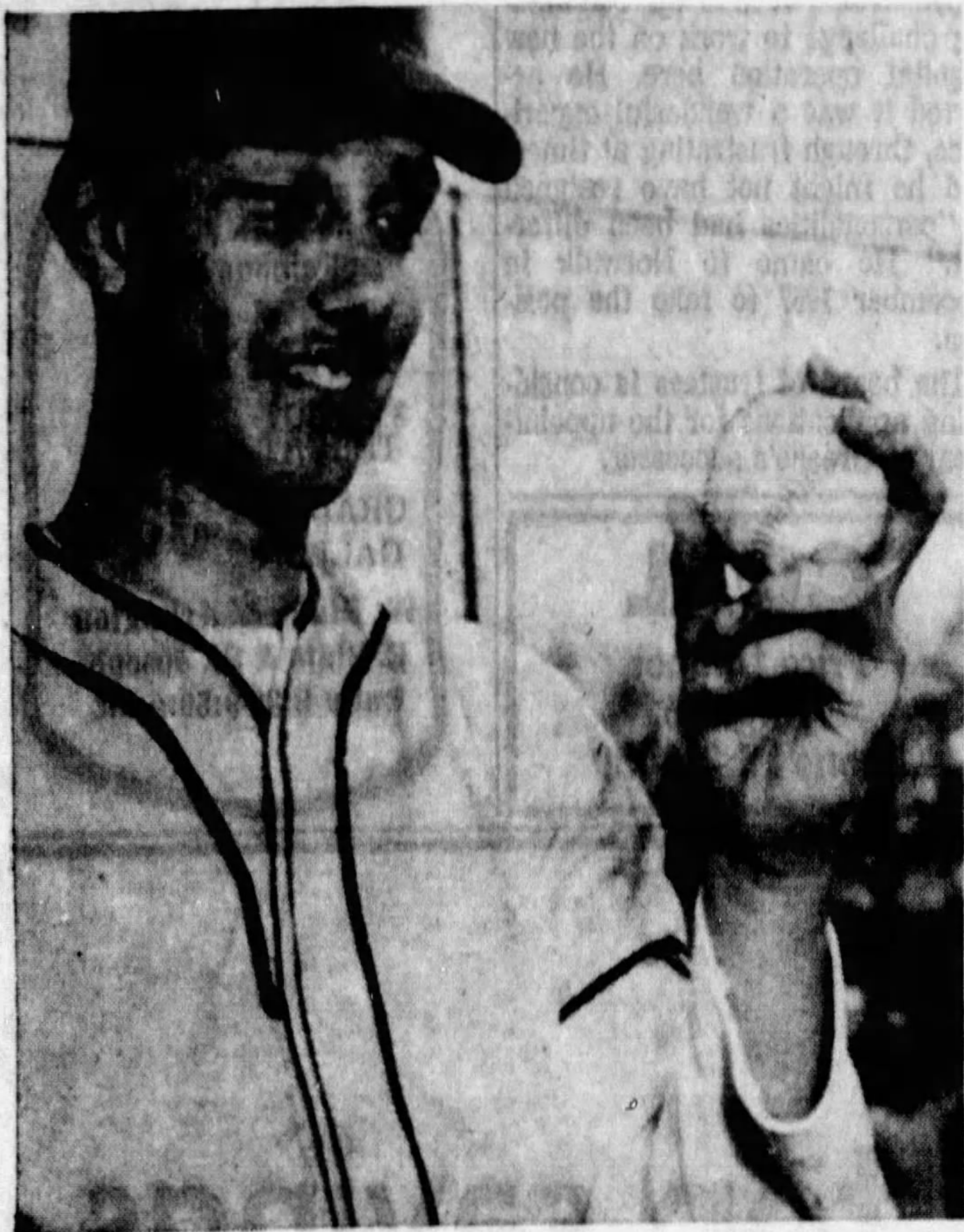


Gallagher's Perfect Pitching, Mates' Hitting Nets Ross District Title



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PERFECT GAME PITCHER—Doug Gallagher, 18-year-old Fremont Ross lefthander, looks at the baseball he fired past the final Anthony Wayne batter in the District baseball championship game Saturday at Anderson Field. Ross won 4-0 to qualify for the Regional tournament to be played at Lima Friday and Saturday. Gallagher pitched a perfect, no-hit game against Anthony Wayne. He struck out 18, didn't walk a batter and his mates gave him perfect fielding support (on three putouts not recorded by Gallagher himself via the strikeout route) plus a back-up 10-hit attack. Gallagher has a 5-0 record this year. He has pitched two no-hitters, two one-hitters and a three-hitter.

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Ohio's Spring Sports Program Moves Into Pre-State Stage

By FRITZ HOWELL
COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio's four-ply spring sports program, in which more than 25,000 youngsters participate, hits its peak next weekend.

Thousands of the budding athletes will be shunted aside in track - field, golf, tennis and baseball qualifiers. The survivors of the talent tests will move on to the state championships May 23, 24 and 26 at Ohio State University's athletic plant.

Next weekend's track-field dis-

meet, and 108 Class A schools qualified 424 boys for the state sent 327 kids into the title chase. Springfield's Wildcats, coached by Bill Clauss, snatched the Class AA crown with 26 3/4 points—although winning only two of 12 events—as Lakewood finished second with 17.

Jefferson Twp. of Montgomery County and Newton Falls Braceville split the Class A laurels, each garnering 24 points to 18 for Cincinnati Deporres. The upcoming state track meet is the 49th annual cinder competition.

Regional Next For Fremont Nine; Giants Trip Anthony Wayne 4-0

Supported by a 10-hit assault by his teammates, Lefty Doug Gallagher fashioned a no-hit, perfect game Saturday as Fremont Ross won the Northwest District Class AA baseball tournament with a 4-0 victory over Anthony Wayne at Anderson Field.

Stands were packed to capacity to view the district final between the winner of the Galion Sectional (Fremont Ross) and the Defiance

Sectional winner (Wayne).

Victory sends Ross to the Lima Regional Friday and Saturday. First game Friday at Lima will match Rossford against a Central District nine at 2 p. m. with Ross scheduled to play at 4 p. m. against another Central District squad.

Fremont plays its game on Diamond No. six in City Park, Lima. Friday winners will meet Saturday for the Regional championship and a spot in the state baseball finals on May 23 and 24.

Gallagher, who allowed Mansfield only one hit Thursday as Ross won the Galion Sectional 2-0, was even more brilliant against A-W.

Fremont Stock Car Racing Information

Jerry Gabel, local gasoline station operator who covered the stock car racing scene in fine fashion last summer, is again a contributor to the News-Messenger pages this year with his "Around the Oval" column.

In his opening article, Gabel says:

As the weather turns warm, there's a certain element of this population that thinks mostly in terms of roaring engines, racing cars and that certain smell of burnt exhausts, gas and alcohol that predominates any racing meet.

This article is intended for them—that group of fellow-men who wait anxiously during the cold winter months just to listen to the sound of the roaring stocks.

No Hot-Rodder

A true member of the legion of auto racing fans is not a hot-rodder — one who endangers life and limb by such nonsense as drag-racing on public streets — but one who pays good money to see the skill and integrity of true racing drivers.

The cars, using the term very loosely for the designs of the boys this year have been to chop and channell their mounts, have the appearance of Indianapolis-type racing cars.

Opener Coming Up

Fremont Speedway Management announced that, providing

Birkholz Tops N-M Bowlers

Second Round Action Scheduled Tonight

Martin Birkholz took over the lead in the ninth annual News-Messenger bowling tournament at Paramount Alleys Sunday with a Perterson point system total of 19.21.

Action continues tonight with the following matches slated to begin at 8 p. m.—Alleys 1 and 2, Chuck Baskey vs Steve Dohanos; 3 and 4, Dale Entemann vs Leroy Baumer; 5 and 6, Paul Nickels vs Gene Mehling; 7 and 8, Birkholz vs Pete Luc.

Following Monday's second round, there are five more nights of match game bowling remaining in the tourney to decide the 1958 champion. Chuck Baskey won the event last year.

Behind leader Birkholz are Baskey 17.24, Entemann 17.17, Luc 16.31, Mehling 16.30, Baumer 16.24, Dohanos 15.20 and Nickels 14.13. Birkholz, rolling against Nickels Sunday, led off with a 258 then

catcher Roger Mann, one hit a feeble pop fly to first baseman John Level and another a ground ball to third baseman Gary Bierly.

Bierly's fine stop of a tricky bouncer to open the last of the seventh inning and his accurate throw to first base to nip the A-W runner by a step preserved Gallagher's perfect game.

Meanwhile, Ross produced a batting punch that was its best of the season. The 10 hits collected by Ross off starter Tom Droessler and reliefer John Studer were all singles but two of them did the damage.

Mann led off the first inning by reaching base on an error, John Kelly singled past the A-W third baseman, Bierly popped out and Chuck Houdeshell was safe on a fielder's choice, Mann going to third and Kelly forced at second. Houdeshell stole second. Level then punched a looping single over the shortstop's head to bring in both Mann and Houdeshell.

In the fourth after Gallagher grounded out, Harry Walter singled to left, Mark Walter also singled with H. Walter moving to third. Mark Walter then stole second. Frank Walby came through with a ringing ace to right field, a hard shot past the first baseman, to plate both of the Walter's.

Bierly, with two hits in four at-bats, raised his batting average to .433 on 13 hits in 30 times at the plate. Level had two hits, H. Walter two and Walby two for Coach Lawrence Doren's nine.

A-Wayne	(0)	Fremont	(4)
Wilhelm, ss	3 0 0	Mann, c	3 1 0
Woodling, 2b	3 0 0	Kelly, cf	4 0 1
Pooley, lf	3 0 0	Bierly, 3b	4 0 2
Harmon, 1b	2 0 0	Ho'd'sh'lr	4 0 2
Strayer, cf	2 0 0	Level, 1b	4 0 2
Sch'aker, 3b	1 0 0	Gallagher, p	2 0 0
Smigelski, 3b	1 0 0	HWalter, 2b	3 1 2
Heilman, c	2 0 0	MWalter, ss	3 1 1
Stamm, rf	2 0 0	Walby, lf	3 0 2
Droessler, p	2 0 0		
Studer, p	0 0 0		

Totals	24	0	0	Totals	30	4	10
Score by innings:							
Ross	200	200	0-2-10-0				
A-Wayne	000	000	0-0-0-0-2				
Errors	—	Woodling, Harmon, Runs					
batted in—	Level, 2, Walby, 2, Stolen						
bases—	Houdeshell, Walby, M. Walter,						
Struck out by—	Gallagher 18, Droessler 1,						
Studer 1, Studer 1, Walked by—	Droessler 2, Double plays—						
Smigelski, 3b	1, Harmon Hits off Gallagher—						
0 for 0 runs in 7 innings. Hits off Droessler							
—10 for 4 runs in 6 innings. Hits off							
Studer—0 for 0 runs in 1 inning. Winning							
pitcher—Droessler. Umpires — Hank							
Miesle (P), Len Brudzinski (B).							



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LAND DISTRICT TROPHY—John Titsworth, left, Class AA District baseball tournament manager, presents the championship trophy to Mark Walter, Ross shortstop, following Fremont's 4-0 win over Anthony Wayne Saturday at Anderson Field. At right is Charles Houdeshell, Ross rightfielder, who is co-captain of the Ross nine along with Mark Walter. Titsworth presented the District runnerup trophy to A-Wayne.

Stan Ranks With Best In National

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Stan (The Man) Musial is still shy two hits of becoming the eighth player in major league history to reach the 3,000-hit pinnacle but anyone who says he isn't the greatest star ever spawned by the National League is certain to get an argument.

The brilliant St. Louis Cardinal first baseman almost made it Sunday. He rapped five hits as the Redbirds came from behind with ninth inning rallies to overcome the Chicago Cubs twice 8-7 and 6-5 for a sweep of the four game series. One of his hits was his fifth home run of the campaign.

Musial ranks first in the league in lifetime total bases (5,106), first

Musial Only 2 Hits Shy Of Coveted 3,000 Mark

ST. LOUIS (AP)—A party honoring Stan Musial's 3,000th hit turned out to be the celebration of a four-game winning streak by the St. Louis Cardinals.

"It's a good celebration either way," Stan the Man said in the dressing room. Musial made a dramatic run at the 3,000-hit milestone with five hits in a double-header sweep over the Chicago Cubs.

He is now only two hits shy and expects to get them today or Tuesday at Chicago. Musial had three straight hits in the second game before going out his last two times up.

"It's great to be winning again," said Musial, now batting an incredible .494. "We've started to get some breaks and the pitching and hitting is looking better."

Julius (Biggie) Garagnani, was set up before the four-game series with the Cubs. Musial then needed seven hits, but that seemed to be a large order even for a seven-time batting champion.

Some 350 of Musial's friends attended the party and the guests included Sen. Stuart Symington, (D-Mo), Gov. James T. Blair of Missouri and St. Louis Mayor Raymond R. Tucker."

Stan went hitless the first two games of the series, after hitting safely the first 17 games this season, but he announced the party was on, whether he made it before the home fans or not.

Stan admitted he bit at bad balls his last two times at bat. The 37-year-old Cardinal star will occupy a unique place in the