

Ross Advances In Baseball

Dundore, Stine, Mann Lead Team To 9-1 Decision

Scoring in the early innings, Fremont Ross eliminated Eastwood of Wood county from the Class AA baseball tournament 9-1 Saturday at Anderson Field.

Ross high's victory was in the finals of the sectional phase of the Fremont District tourney. The Little Giants now meet the winner of the Mansfield sectional Tuesday afternoon at Mansfield.

In the meantime, Toledo Woodward and Rossford met this afternoon at Perrysburg.

Winner of the game at Mansfield and the game at Perrysburg battle at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Anderson Field for the District Class AA tourney title and trophy. Trip to the Lima Regional also awaits Saturday's champion.

Ross continued its solid tourney play with clutch pitching by junior southpaw Dick Dundore, hard and timely hitting and sharp defensive action in the field.

Dundore fired strikes past 12 Eastwood batters, walked five and gave up only three hits. Gerald Abke, Eastwood starter, worked only 1 2-3 innings, was touched for four hits and five runs. Reliever Bill Sandwisch, a left hander, went 5-1-3 innings, allowed four runs and five hits and struck out 2.

Catcher Denny Stine and short-stop Roger Mann continued their torrid tournament hitting. Stine drove in three runs with a single and one-on home run and Mann had three hits in four at-bats and drove in a run. One of Mann's hits was a double.

Stine, who blasted two over the fence at Anderson in Ross high's tourney triumph over Ashland, belted another one far over the same left field barrier in the fourth inning against Eastwood's Sandwisch. Jerry Jones also tripled for Ross and Maury Gnepper crashed a two-bagger.

Ross scored in the first inning on an infield hit by Mann and two straight errors by third baseman Joe Brockseker of Eastwood. Mann stole second and went to third on a ground out. Brockseker then errored on Stine's grounder to allow Mann to cross the plate. On Dundore's grounder, Brockseker charged the slow bounding ball, attempted to throw across the diamond in a hurry but hit pitcher Abke hard on the back of the head. Stine scored and Dundore went to second. Abke went down after being felled but recovered and pitched the final out of the frame.

Ross picked up three runs in the second on Gnepper's double to left-center, a passed ball and a wild pitch by Abke. Milt Hetrick walked and scored on Mann's double to left-center. Harry Walter walked and Stine drilled a hard shot between third and short to plate Mann. Sandwisch took over for Abke and retired Dundore for the final out.

A single by Dan Moran to lead off the third was parlayed into a run on two ground outs. Moran went all the way from second to home as Jack White was put out on an unassisted play by Eastwood first baseman.

Jones tripled to right to open Fremont's fourth inning and scored on Walter's single to left. Walter came home on Stine's line drive wallop over the left field fence.

Fremont had only one more hit the rest of the game, a single by Mann in the sixth.

Ends Threat

Eastwood threatened in the fifth, loading the bases on an error and two walks, but Dundore fired a third strike past the swinging Jack Abke of Eastwood to end the threat.

Walks to Mike Van Camp and Richard Bosse and a single by Bill Sandwisch brought in Eastwood's only run in the sixth. Infield single by Earl McCoy loaded the bases with only 1 but Dundore struck out the next two Eastwood hitters to end that inning with no further damage. Dundore

breezed in the seventh, taking care of the first batter on a grounder, striking out the lead off man and getting Van Camp on a pop-up to Walter behind second.

Dundore struck out the side in the second and put Eastwood down one-two-three in the fourth. First Eastwood hitter in the third singled but a nifty double play on a ground ball to Mann who flipped to Walter and Walter to Milt Hetrick eliminated both.

Ross (9)				Eastwood (1)			
	ab	r	h		ab	r	h
Jones, rf	4	1	1	J. Abke, 2b	3	0	0
Mann, ss	4	2	3	Van C'mp, ss	3	1	0
Walter, 2b	3	1	1	Brock'er, 3b	3	0	0
Stine, c	4	2	2	Bosse, cf	2	0	0
Dundore p	4	0	0	B. S'wh, lf, p	3	0	1
Moran, cf	4	1	1	McCoy, c	3	0	1
Gnepper, lf	4	1	1	G. Abke, p, lf	0	0	0
White, 3b	3	0	0	Hagemyer, lf	1	0	0
Hetrick, 1b	2	1	0	L. S'wisch, lf	1	0	0
				Buchman, 1b	2	0	1
Totals	32	9	9	Nehls, 1b	1	0	0
				Rahe, rf	2	0	0
				Totals	24	1	3

Score by Innings:
 Ross 231 300 0-9 9 1
 Eastwood 000 001 0-1 3 4

Runs batted in — Stine 3, Mann, Walter, B. Sandwisch. Doubles—Mann, Gnepper. Triple—Jones. Home Run—Stine. Stolen Bases—Mann (2). Struck out by Dundore 12, B. Sandwisch 2. Walked by Dundore 5, G. Abke 2. Passed balls—McCoy (2). Double plays—Mann, Walter and Hetrick. Hits off Dundore 3 for 1 run in 7 innings. Hits off G. Abke 4 for 5 runs in 1 2/3 innings. Hits off B. Sandwisch 5 for 4 runs in 5 1/2 innings. Errors—Brockseker (2), McCoy, Hagemyer, Gnepper. Winning Pitcher Dundore. Losing Pitcher G. Abke. Wild Pitches—Abke, Dundore. Umpires Grause (p) Hart (b).