

BLUES NICK NAPA, TIE FOR FIRST PLACE

Good Pitching, Good Hitting Features 6-1 Win; San Jose Bees Lose to Vallejo

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Genial Gene Camozzi and the band of Battling Blues took the Napa Nicks into camp yesterday afternoon at the city park, defeating them by a score of 6 to 1.

At no point in the game after the first inning was Gene in any danger and was given errorless support by his team mates.

By defeating the Nicks San Mateo goes into a tie with San Jose for first place in the league, as the garden city ball players lost a 10 to 2 game to the Vallejo Grays.

Napa Busy Early

The Napa crew started off in the first as though they meant to annihilate Camozzi after two were down. Daddy Schutz slapped a nice single to center, pilfered second, the only base stolen during the afternoon, and came across the platter with the visitors' lone run when Swede Peterson doubled to the trees in center field.

In the Blues' half of the first Bertram begged a walk but was thrown out at second when Simpson unfortunately hit into a double. Eddie Anti, who is gaining a big name for himself as a slug artist, took two bases on his first at-bat when the ball took a bad bounce and went over Hutton's think tank. Carl Johnson doubled to the trees in right field, scoring Anti, while Collins was easily taken care of from third to first.

Blues Score Brace

In the third the Blues scored another brace on two hits and a walk. Gene did the strolling, Pesty Bertram singled to left but was forced out at second by Simpson and then Anti got his second double scoring Gene and Simpson.

Slipping another inning, the Blues scored again in the fourth on two hits. Camozzi walked again but was forced out at second by Bertram. Simpson singled to right, Simpson and Pesty scored when Anti got his third double, this time to center.

In the eighth Carl Johnson opened the inning with his second double of the matinee, Collins walked and McKnew singled to right scoring Carl. This was the undoing of Micky Dolan as a pitcher as Commander Schutz relegated him to center field and took the hill top job on his own shoulders, but it was too late, the damage had been done.

Gene Strikes Out

Every member of the Blues slipped into the hit column with the exception of Camozzi, but in view of the fact he struck out 11 of the opposition his oversight is overlooked.

Both Simpson and Stoffel batted in hard luck at least once each during the game or they would have made another safe landing at the first cushion.

One of the peculiarities of the game was the hits gathered by the Blues. The 12 bingles chalked up being only divided in six innings and only once did the two hits fail to create a run.

The box score and summary:

NAPA					
AB	R	H	O	A	E
Hutton, 2b	4	0	1	4	0
Viani, ss	5	0	0	5	0
Schutz, 1b-p	3	1	1	1	0
Peterson, lf	4	0	2	1	0
Hitchie, c	4	0	2	1	0
Tiddler, lf-lb	0	0	0	0	0
Espey, rf	3	0	1	0	0
Clark, 2b	4	0	0	4	0
Dolan, p-cf	3	0	1	0	1
Totals	34	1	8	24	13

Burkemen Come From Way Behind to Stage Rally and Win Ten-Inning Ball Game

By TAY PAY MAGILLIGAN

Just when it looked as though the Burkemen didn't have any more chance than a Chinese general at Jehol, wearers of San Mateo uniforms, with their backs to the wall, staged an onslaught on Malloy that snatched victory from impending defeat after a brilliant ten-inning battle at the city ball park yesterday afternoon, score 5 to 4.

Hopelessly licked for eight innings, the Burkemen staged an energetic drive on Malloy in the ninth period which brought them on even terms with the visitors. For eight innings the Verdis were leading by what looked like the safe margin of 4 to 1. For that many stanzas Malloy put on a gill-edge pitching performance, and he seemed to be holding the Burkemen in the hollow of his glove. For seven of the first eight innings Malloy had blanked the Burkemen, holding them to four hits and one run. The bludgeoned against the cyclonic pitching of Malloy as Mahatma Gandhi's goat would look at a review of grenadier guards.

Malloy appeared to have the San Mateo batsmen under a hypnotic spell. When he cast that Svengali swivel ball of his at the Blues' batsmen, he made them sing "Uncle" in deep falsetto. For the first six innings this wizard of the mound held the robust sons of San Mateo to two pretzel hits, the kind of hits that count for naught. Montague got a Henry Ford hit through short in the third, and Prout blazed out a very in the fourth.

Very Punny Pummeling

But, brothers, you couldn't call that hitting, even in the League of Nations. It was as late as the seventh inning before a Blue rested his ankles on the home plate. Singles by De Maggio and Switzer coupled with a walk to Prout and a wild pitch contributed by Malloy donated a run to San Mateo. With the way Malloy was going, that one farm didn't look any better than a runner's mortgage in Iowa at a bank teller's window.

At this stage of the going, that old ball game looked to be "just around the corner," so far as San Mateo was concerned.

Looked Hopeless for S. M.

San Mateo looked not only badly beaten but discouraged. That is, practically all San Mateo except that fighting Harp, Justin Fitzgerald. He calculated that his team had one more punch left in it. With one chance in a hundred to win that old ball game, Fitzgerald ordered Genial Gene Camozzi to come out of his blankets and take up the Blue man's burden. That robust son of San Mateo didn't even have a chance to heat up the old soup-bone. But Kasich was leaning over like the tower of Pisa, and if the game was to be saved, a rescue expedition must be rushed out at once and Camozzi was that rescue expedition. When Camozzi ascended the knoll, the common enemy was leading the parade 3 to 1. And to deepen the indigo outlook, the Verdi clouters nicked Camozzi for one run on three hits before the "ham-bone" could get his bearings and take soundings on the visiting sharpshooters.

Prout Paves Way

When things looked tougher than a beer war in Chicago for the Blues, that darling of the gods, Prout, shot a ray of sunshine through the gloom with a base hit to center, this weak hitter's second hit of the day. Switzer bent his bludgeon against one of Malloy's

SAN MATEO					
AB	R	H	O	A	E
Bertram, rf	3	1	1	1	0
Simpson, lb	4	1	1	5	0
Anti, lf	4	2	3	2	0
Johnson, c	3	0	1	13	0
Collins, ss	4	1	1	3	0
McKnew, cf	4	0	1	3	0
Materas, 2b	4	0	2	1	0
Stoffel, 3b	4	0	1	0	0
Camozzi, p	2	1	0	1	0
Totals	32	6	12	27	0

Score by Innings

Napa	000 000 000—1
Hits	220 001 021—8
San Mateo	002 020 012—8
Hits	202 222 022—12

Summary

Innings pitched—By Dolan 7 plus, Schutz 1 minus, Camozzi 3. Credit victory to Camozzi. Charge defeat to Dolan. Hits batted—Of Dolan

Record Book

Malloy pitched 10 innings, allowing only four hits and one run. He struck out 11 batters. Camozzi pitched 7 1/2 innings, allowing six hits and one run. He struck out 11 batters.

BLUES EVEN UP SERIES IN FAST DIAMOND GAME

Bees Pull Two Fast Double Plays in Contest.

By JOHN E. ARNOLD

Dick Arlett, with two victories over San Mateo, went down to his first defeat at the hands of the Blues yesterday when the Fitzmen shut out Burlingame 3 to 0.

Gene Camozzi was dented for but four well scattered hits, struck out 11 batters and was accorded errorless support. 'Twas this brand of playing that blanked the Bees.

Came the Dawn, Victory

Came the dawn and victory. Keane opened with a hard shot to Casorat. That acrobatic third-sacker came up with the ball and rifled it over to Burke, who muffed the chance, and Keane was safe. He died at second on Burns' tap to Malloy, who passed the ball to Richards ahead of Keane. Richards fooled De Maggio's easy tap, giving Blue runners tenacity of first and second base.

Right here was where the ball game was won, and won by the Napoleonic strategy of Skipper Fitzgerald.

With Burns, a fast man, on second, Fitz wig-wagged him to make a try for third. He came on like a Man o' War, and was safe a yard at the difficult corner. When Fitz put the "steal" sign up for Burns, he ordered De Maggio to stick like glue to first. De Maggio would have been just as useful on second as two pecks to a giraffe, but a less

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AB	R	H	O	A	E
Montague, ss	4	0	1	2	1
Benjamin, 2b	5	0	0	0	0
Keane, 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Burns, lf	4	1	0	3	0
DeMaggio, cf	4	0	0	0	0
Prout, lb	4	1	2	13	0
Switzer, cf	4	1	2	0	0
O'Connell, c	3	1	1	2	0
Kasich, p	2	0	0	1	0
Camozzi, p	2	0	0	1	0
Totals	36	3	8	29	13

astute manager than Fitz would have ordered a double steal, thus jeopardizing his team's chances.

What Fitz was playing for was a runner on third with only one out, and his strategy worked like a \$10 bill in a 5-and-10-cent store. That man on third could score on a hit, an error, a fielder's choice, or a long fly. Fitzgerald counted on all that, but if he hadn't anchored De Maggio on first, the chances for a rally would have been reduced to just one, a safe hit. Then Prout boosted a long fly out to Kellman, who had replaced Masonave in the lineup, and Burns raced home with the winning run, drop-curtaining the most thrilling and exciting ball game of the season at City park.

The score:

VERDI CLUB					
AB	R	H	O	A	E
Tadevich, lf	4	0	0	0	0
Casorat, 2b	4	0	0	0	0
Hughes, cf	2	0	1	0	0
Volkman, c	3	0	0	3	0
Vezelich, rf	4	1	3	0	0
Masonave, 2b	2	0	0	3	1
Kellman, cf	2	0	0	0	0
Richards, ss	4	2	0	0	1
Burke, lb	4	2	2	8	0
Malloy, p	5	0	2	0	0
Totals	36	4	12	29	13