

VALLEY CITY WINS GAME FROM GIANTS

What promised to be one of the finest exhibitions of base ball seen on the local diamond this season ended in a farce last Friday afternoon, when the Winnipeg Giants went down to defeat before the local team.

Things looked rosy for some real sport in the first two innings, when Umpire Thayer pulled a questionable decision at second that started a protest from Captain Bogel, of the Giants. After this was finally settled without bloodshed, the game progressed nicely until the third inning when Becker stole second and the "umps" decision declared him safe on what appeared to be an out by a wide margin. Here the balloon went up and stayed up the rest of the game, the Giants loosing all their "pep" and the crowd their interest, and all seemed well pleased when the game was over. The fans seem about equally divided as to who got the worst of it, so it may be just as well to let it go at that.

But speaking of base ball it can be truthfully said that Valley City now

has a real ball team. It is our opinion that they could have beaten the Giants very handily without any assistance from the "ump." With the line-up uncorked in Friday's game, there are few teams in the state that have anything on Valley City. Shirley, who did the pitching for the locals has got everything on the ball that any pitcher needs, besides a good head. He fields his position well and gave the fans a fine sample of what makes it hard to win ball games with a real pitcher.

There was a slight shift in positions in Friday's game. Old Man Grangaard doing the receiving and Goheen going to second and Thurston to right field. The shift proved to be an excellent combination which resulted in air tight ball in all corners.

One of the happy surprises was the way O'Hare took to the offerings of Deacon Owens, and he hit him all over the lot.

The game in detail was something like this:

First Inning

Giants—Reed bunted and was safe on a bobble by Gessner; Boyd laid down a perfect bunt and was safe at

first when the play to second to catch Reed, who was also safe; Singer bunted down the first base line but Grangaard speared the ball in time to get him at first, but it was a pretty sacrifice; Pate singled, scoring Reed and Boyd, but was caught at second trying to stretch it into a double; Scottie was safe on Shirley's error; Gordon out at first unassisted. One hit, two runs.

Valley City — Grangaard hit to pitcher and was an easy out at first; Gessner fanned; Goheen safe on Reed's error and stole second on the first ball; Winfield fanned. No hits, no runs.

Second Inning

Giants—Ewing out Shirley to Wingfield; King out Becker to Wingfield;

Ourns fanned. No hits, no runs.

Valley City—Becker fanned; McGovern hit safe, but was forced at second by Shirley; O'Hare singled; Thurston out short to first. Two hits, no runs.

Third Inning

Reed flied out to short; Boyd whiffed; Singer hit for two; Pate fanned. One hit, no runs.

Grangaard hit for an extra base and went to third on a passed ball; Gessner out short to first; Goheen got a pass; and stole second; Wingfield hit safely scoring Granny and Goheen;

Becker hit safe, Wing going to third; Becker helped himself to second; McGovern fanned; Shirley passed; O'Hare took his second wallop at the ball scoring Wingfield and Becker. Thurston hit to pitcher and was an easy out at first. Four hits, four runs.

Fourth Inning

Scottie hit for two; Gordon out Shirley to Wingfield; Scottie went to third on a passed ball by Granny; Ewing went the same way as Gordon; King took his third strike at a low ball which Granny failed to hold and Scottie scored; Owens fanned. One hit; one run.

Grangaard hit safe and went to second when King fumbled Gessner's easy grounder; Goheen was safe on Owen's error, Granny taking third and Bessner second on the bobble; Wingfield hit to right scoring Grangaard and Gessner, Becker was out at first; McGovern hit to center scoring Goheen and Wingfield; Shirley hit into a double play which retired the side. Three hits four runs.

It was here that the balloon went up and interest in the game ceased so let it suffice to say that by adding one run in the sixth and one in the eighth Valley City won, 10 to 3.

Box Score

	R.	H.	E.
Giants			
Reed, 3b	1	0	1
Boyd, cf	1	0	1
Singer, 2b	0	2	0
Pate, lf	0	1	0
Scottie, rf	1	1	0
Gordon, 1b	0	0	1
Ewing, c	0	0	1
King, ss	0	0	1
Owens, p	0	0	1
	3	4	6
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Valley City			
Grangaard, c	2	3	3
Gessner, ss	1	0	1
Goheen, 2b	4	2	0
Wingfield, 1b	2	3	0
Becker, 3b	1	2	0
McGovern, cf	0	2	0
Shirley, p	0	0	1
O'Hare, lf	0	3	0
Thurston, rf	0	0	0
	10	15	5

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