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Rose's first hit made in Geneva

Upstate New Yorkers recall 'Charlie Hustle'

Associated Press

GENEVA, N.Y. - Amid Pete Rose's thunderous pursuit of Ty Cobb in the annals of professional baseball, let it be recalled that the chase began 25 years ago in this sleepy and shady corner of upstate New York.

And Rose's first steps — nearly 4,200 big-league hits ago — were taken with a collection of ragamuffins called the Geneva Reds, who finished in the muck of the New York-Pennslvania League in 1960. "The vital votes of California are

still beyond the reach of Sen. John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts at the Democratic National Convention,"cautioned the Geneva Times in early July of 1960.

A week before, Pete Rose made his professional baseball debut and Times was just as guarded: "Rose is an aggressive and eager bal-lplayer at second base ... He adds life to the infield.

While the Everly Brothers were scoring on the kids' car radios with "Cathy's Clown," Rose was gaped at like a circus oddity. Get this: He actually ran - no, make that sprinted - to first base after a walk. Pretty soon he chased a Cuban kid named Tony Perez off second base and over to third and eventually into the out-

"No, I wouldn't have guessed he'd have made it," said Norm Jollow, the 30-year sports editor of what is now The Finger Lakes Times. "They called him 'Charlie Hustle, ' but Charlie Hotdog was more like it around here. He wasn't a bad hitter, but he couldn't catch. You never know. That club had three majorleaguers — Rose, Perez and Art Shamsky. Who would have thought a team like that would go 54-75?"

You never know.

The fellow who led the league in hitting that year was the immortal Pablo Mitchell, at .348 for Erie. Rose, who would set the big-league record with the most 200-hit seasons, had but 15 hits in his first 64 atbats (.234), but finished at .277 with 89 hits in 85 games for Geneva. The renowned Marv Chalmers was the club's lone .300 hitter. You never know.

At the end of the '60 season, The Geneva Times noted where the players were headed for the off-season. "Pete Rose," The Times reported, will be looking for a job as a sport-

ing goods salesman. Pete Rose's Geneva is pretty much the same today. The baseball field still stands. But now there's a different scoreboard, a new roof over the



Scott having 'Giant' year as Astro pitcher

Associated Press

HOUSTON - With a chance to win 20 games, Houston right-hander Mike Scott is enjoying the best season of his six-year major

This year I came to spring training worried about making the team. Scott said after picking up his 16th win of the season Monday, a 4-2 decision over the San Francisco Giants.

Scott combined with two relievers to hold San Francisco to seven hits.

Scott, whose 16-7 record is the best of his career by six wins, was 5-11 last season. Scott added a forkball in the off-season and credits it with his success. "I had a bad year last year but that one pitch made all the difference," Scott said. "I threw good two years ago but this is by far the most consis-

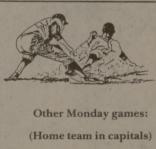
tent I've ever been. Plus I've been healthy all year and it's been a lot

Scott pitched seven innings, giving up two runs, before Frank Di-Pino and Dave Smith finished. Smith recorded his 22nd save of the sea-

Phil Garner sparked the Houston offense with three hits while driving in one run; as Houston won its 10th game in 12.

"In this stretch we've played real well," Garner said. "I definitely think this is the best we've played this season.

Losing pitcher Atlee Hammaker, 4-11 and 0-4 against Houston this season, gave up all four runs in 4 1/3 innings. Houston took a 1-0 lead in the



AMERICAN LEAGUE Cleveland 7, SEATTLE 7 (after 9)

- TORONTO 5, Detroit 3 New York 9, MILWAUKEE 4
- CALIFORNIA 7, Kansas City 1
- Baltimore, BOSTON (rained out)
- Minnesota 5, CHICAGO 0
- NATIONAL LEAGUE CINCINNATI 2, San Diego 1
- Los Angeles 9, ATLANTA 7

Chicago 3, ST. LOUIS 1 The Astros added a run in the

fourth after Garner doubled and scored on Scott's two-out double to right-center.

Houston increased its lead to 4-0 in the fifth. Kevin Bass led off with a double and scored on a double by

slammed his first major league ho run, a two-run shot, to cut the Hos ton lead to 4-2 in the seventh. Chr 23 in th opener "I fel Brown singled and scored ahead Nokes. from wi to have

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Rangers 3, A's 1 OAKLAND, Calif. —

OAKLAND, Calif. - Wayn Tolleson tripled and doubled an scored twice on singles by Do Slaught as the Texas Rangers ended a six-game losing streak Mondar night by beating the Oakland Ass

Tolleson doubled with one out in the eighth inning off A's relieve Steve Ontiveros, 1-2, went to third on a wild pitch, and scored to bre a 1-1 tie when Slaught singled i right field. George Wright added a RBI single later in the inning.

The A's, in losing their sub straight game, had only five his is seven innings off Texas starter Jel Russell, 2-5, and none off releven Greg Harris, who got his ninth save by pitching the final two innings.

Jose Canseco of the A's hit his firs major-league home run, a 425-for blast into the center-field bleacher in the third for the game's first run Canseco, a 21-year-old outfielder totaled 36 homers and drove in 12 runs in 118 minor league games his season, playing at both the Class AA and AAA levels. He joined the As on their recent road trip

The Rangers tied the score in the sixth on Tolleson's triple and an RBI

single by Slaught. Tim Birtsas, Oakland's starting pitcher, allowed only three hits in 5 1-3 innings. Don Sutton was sched-Cruz. Garner drove in Cruz with a uled to start, but he was excused be cause of the illness of his father-in-Giants rookie Matt Nokes law in Southern California.



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grandstand, the Cubs are the tenants and the name is McDonough Park.

Bob Halaska, Rose's teammate and housemate that season, said Rose had it all figured out:

"He signed a weird contract," recalled Halaska, now a businessman in Las Cross, Wis. "It was called a contingency and nobody wanted to sign them. If he made it in the 'A' ball, he got a certain amount. If he made it in 'AA' he got a certain amount. And if he didn't make it, he

didn't get anything. "I told him, 'Why'd you sign that? They'll screw you down the line somehow.

And he said. 'They can't screw me. I'm going to make the majors.' I knew he would because he had that something about him. He didn't have the skills, but he just kept running and running.'

first on walks to Jim Pankovits and Jose Cruz and an RBI single by Glenn Davis.

single

UTEP trackster dies during road workouts

EL PASO - A University of Texas-El Paso freshman was struck and killed by a pickup truck during a cross-country track team practice session Saturday, university officials said.

Lori Fitzgerald, an 18-year-old high school valedictorian and track star from Denver, was killed instantly at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, police said.

The accident occurred during a practice session of UTEP men's and women's cross-country teams, university officials said.

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'As Lori's coach, and being responsible for this beautiful young person attending our university, I am shocked and do not understand why this had to happen," said Gary Mazziotti, head coach for the teams. "I hope and pray that Lori's parents and friends have the strength to endure this loss.

Fitzgerald was attending UTEP on an academic scholarship, university officials said. She was valedictorian of her graduating class at Smo-key Hills High School in Denver this year, they said.

She was also an outstanding high

school athlete who placed second it Colorado state cross-country competition during her senior year.

Police reports said Fitzgerald was running east, against the flow of traffic, when she swerved into the road way and was hit by a westbound pickup truck.

Sgt. Al Barunda said no charges were filed against the driver, a l7-year-old El Paso man.

"We at the university are shocked and terribly distressed," said Bill Cords, UTEP athletic director. "Our hearts and our prayers go out for Lori and to her family and friends.

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