

➔ The weather helped the Braves outscore the Red Sox, 15-13. Newport Manager Donnie Aycock spent the drizzly afternoon toweling off wet baseballs.

No wonder Sox pitcher Jay Garner had difficulty controlling his blazing fast ball and swooshing curves. And no wonder Brave hurlers George Viereck and Jack Daughtrey found it a challenging chore to put the customary stuff they serve up on these watered-down slippy-dippers.

SO, LET'S hear three cheers and three cheers more for left-fielder Ted Willis who won himself an unabashed kiss from his bride when he smacked his first home run ever. That drive put life back into the Braves when they were ~~trying to out-stare~~ defeat.

Bobby McIntosh had himself quite a day when he doubled, scored 3 runs, had 3 runs-batted-in and a perfect day with 4 base-on-balls and 1 hit-by-pitcher. Craig Weber and Ronnie Willis each contributed 2 hits to the Salter Path cause.

GEORGE METTRICK, an even better center-fielder than he is a pitcher, enjoyed a 4-for-6 day at the plate. Cecil Hardesty also paced the Sox with 4 for 6. Tom Mann, Dale Vogler and Ronald Green also weighed in with 3 hits. Alex Fox unloaded 2 ferocious doubles.

The game contained just 4 stolen-bases — 2 by Craig Weber and 2 by Richard Collins. So the Brave jack-of-all-trades still leads Rabbit Richard in the burglary department, 25-24.

OH, YES, George Viereck rocketed a mighty home run, too, and drove in a total of 4 runs, tops along with Newport's Tom Mann.

And Jack Daughtrey? Well, this 38-year-old paragon proved himself once again the complete athlete. He hit a key double, fielded his position like a pro, ran the bases with alert intelligence and pitched, well

enough to win