

Dan Hermiller and 18 in a Row!

Miller City's Catcher was one of Putnam County's Best

In 1979, senior catcher Dan Hermiller had a hitting streak that is unmatched in Putnam County history.

On May 5, 1979, Hermiller doubled and drove in a run in his last time at bat against Columbus Grove. This was the start of an incredible streak of good luck and hitting.

Three days later against Liberty Benton, Dan went 2/4 with a single, a double, a walk and a base on error. He also scored three runs.

The next day Hermiller went 4/4 against Ottoville. He had two singles, a double and a home run. Dan also scored three runs and had two RBI's.

And then the Miller City catcher got hot. The very next day he had a monster game against Fort Jennings when he went 5/5 with two doubles, a triple, two home runs and two walks. He also scored six runs and had 10 RBI's.

The streak finally ended against Kalida. In his first two times at bat, Dan had a single and a homer, scoring twice and driving in two runs before finally making an out.

Over these five games and seven days, Hermiller got on base 18 straight times. He got on base by an error once, had three walks, four singles, five doubles, one triple and four homeruns. He scored 14 runs and drove in 15 runs.

Thus, Dan Hermiller, in 18 times at bat and five games, accomplished in the spring of 1979 what most high school players would love to do in an entire season.