

Legion baseball . . .

Two clinch zones

By LARRY SILBER
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Holyoke Post 325 and Aldenville Post 430 notched second round titles in Zones 3A and 3 and West Springfield Post 207 clinched a tie for 3B's crown Tuesday in Hampden County's American Legion baseball proceedings.

Undeclared Holyoke (10-0) won its 12th straight, a 7-3 trimming of Liberty Post 430 at Mackenzie Field. Liberty fell to 6-5, giving idle Aldenville (7-4) both the first and second round trophies.

West Springfield, behind Ken Miller's gutsy pitching, a two-run double by Fred Kulik, and John Sandillo's game-winning two-run single, rallied past Ludlow, 6-5, at West Springfield High School.

West Side finished at 6-5, first round champ Ludlow was eliminated at 5-6 and Agawam (5-5) fell to East Longmeadow, 7-5, on Carl Hallen's seven innings of one-run relief and four-hit offensive performance.

Chicopee (6-5) blanked Monson (1-10) behind Donny Provost's five-hit, no-walk effort and the two-hit, two runs scored plays of Paul Woishnis and single, triple, RBI game from Bill Bousquet.

East Springfield (7-3) smacked In-

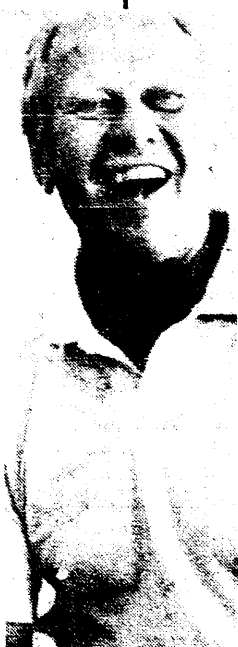
dian Orchard, 11-2, John Small firing a two-hitter with 16 strikeouts. He added two singles, a double and two RBI, Pete Kumiega and Todd Marshall homered for two RBI each and Darryl Cook singled twice and tripled.

John Valencia cracked Liberty's nine with a seven-hitter while Bill Dziok had three singles and a two-run double after Dave Sabourin's RBI single in the first. Liberty made it 3-2 on Brian Rheault and Bobby Shay safeties and two Holyoke errors, but Holyoke wasn't finished.

Valencia and Gaulin drove in fourth inning runs and Gaulin's RBI triple and Donny Mann's run-scoring double in the sixth capped the bat work.

Ludlow jumped on Ken Miller for three first inning tallies, shortstop Tom Casagrande following Mike Quaglietti's double and error with a two-run tater to deep right field, and Scott Dunbar driving home Tom Wehner (who doubled) with a three-bagger into the West Side woods.

Northampton upended South Hadley, 7-2, at South Hadley in the first game of the DISTRICT 2 championship series, Billy Harlow striking out eight on the way to a five-hitter. Hamp hosts South Hadley in the second game today at Arcanum Field in Florence.



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Tired Trevino drops out of GHO

By DICK OSGOOD
Union Staff

WETHERSFIELD, Conn.—Jack Nicklaus won't be here. So what? Big Jack never comes to Hartford.

But neither will Lee Trevino! OK. I heard what you said about Nicklaus but did you say Trevino isn't coming?

"You heard me right," answered one of the jaycees, assigned to the press tent Tuesday to prepare for the start of the 27th Sammy Davis Jr.-Greater Hartford Open which gets underway this morning with the celebrity pro-am. And don't think the jaycees didn't try everything within their power to persuade Trevino to come.

Trevino has always been a popular figure with the Wethersfield galleries. The practice area just won't be the same this year. It was there where Trevino and his Hartford buddy Pete Zaccagnino, serving as the straight man, annually put on a comedy show that would certainly be a hit on Broadway.

But Trevino told the jaycees that he's tired and "we understand."

"He's been playing a lot this year," explained the jaycee spokesman "and we understand he wants a rest. We would have loved to have him, but there's really nothing else we can do."

Sammy's not alone

The jaycee did make one last attempt by going to Philadelphia last week. They talked with Trevino on Sunday, final day of the Philadelphia Classic. That's when he regretfully said he wouldn't be coming to Hartford this year.

But all is not lost. "Because we don't have Trevino doesn't mean we won't have a good golf tournament," explained the man from the jaycees. "People have to remember that anyone of these golfers on tour these days is capable of putting on quite a show. They've all got the good shots in their bag," he said.

Take George Johnson, for example. He's just elated over the fact he's in

GHO pairings . . .

WETHERSFIELD, Conn. — Following is a list of the attractive pairings for today's Sammy Davis, Jr.-Greater Hartford Open Pro-Am at the Wethersfield Country Club.

(First Tee)
9 a.m. — Andy Bean; 9:18 — Ray Floyd, Willie Mays; 12 noon — Bill Kratzert, Joe Garagiola; 12:09 — Lee Elder, Otto Graham; 12:18 — Graham Marsh Sammy Kaye; 12:27 — Bob Murphy, Gordie Howe; 12:38 — Dave Stockton, Gerald R. Ford, Bob Hope.

(Tenth Tee)
9:18 — Lou Graham, Claude Akins; 12 noon — Roger Maltbie, Norm Crosby; 12:09 — Al Geiberger, Pat Boone; 12:27 — Mac McLendon, Jimmy Dean; 12:45 — Lon Hinkle, Rick Barry. (Starting times are in shifts from 7:30 to 9:18 and then again from 12 noon to 1:48.)

the field that will be shooting for the first place prize of \$42,000. The total purse is \$210,000.

Johnson raised quite a few eyebrows on Monday during the special pre-qualifying round at Tuxis Plantation in Farmington. He shot a 62. No one has ever been that low before. David Glenz once had a 63, but 62. Wow!

"It even surprised me," said the veteran Johnson from Atlanta, Ga. who has been struggling lately trying to make a buck.

"Haven't even made enough to pay my caddy in recent weeks," explained George. "But boy, did that 62 make me feel good."

Perhaps that 62 could just turn it around for Johnson, who admits he has something in common with Nicklaus.

"We're both 38 years old," he chuckled.

Former President Gerald R. Ford and Bob Hope are the big names in today's pro-am field.

They're in a foursome with pro Dave Stockton, a former winner here, and Morrison Beach and Howard Winterson which will tee off from the first tee this afternoon at 12:36.

Another conspicuous by his absence today will be host Sammy Davis, Jr. He's in Chicago with a new show that will be opening soon in New York.

SILBER BULLETS . . .

Westfield State wins sports cup

By LARRY SILBER
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Westfield State College has been awarded the 1978 Howard Smith Cup, designating overall excellence among Massachusetts State Conference schools in men's and women's sports programs.

It is the fourth time in the six years of the Smith award that Westfield has won it. Salem State won the trophy in 1974 and 1976. A school's placing in the state conference races figures in the Smith Cup allotting.

WESTFIELD'S RON MAC has qualified for the U.S. Junior Amateur golf tournament. He made it in hole action Tuesday at the Colony Country Club, Danvers. He's one of two who made it in a field of 28. The nationals will be played next month in Wilmington, Del.

SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE sophomore Cheryl Murtagh and incoming freshman Barbara Woburn were named to the UNITED STATES FIELD HOCKEY TEAM, as were SC graduates Pat Hixon and Denise Desautels. The field hockey team is gunning for the 1980 Olympics.

Tri-County League . . . Oliver raps Gasland

Gasland's first-place lead was cut to a one game margin over the Chicopee Falls Tigers as Oliver Auto Body routed the Oilers, 10-1 in Tri-County baseball action Tuesday night. This was the second straight loss for Gasland bringing its record to 14-8.

Every Oliver batter had at least one base hit, while Rick Mastroianni had a double and an RBI. Steve Newell had two hits, and Frank Capuano had two RBI. Pitcher Tom White threw a three-hitter as he went the full seven innings for Oliver.

The fourth inning was the big one as Oliver scored six runs on five hits, three walks, and an error.

Stafford hosts all-stars

By PAUL SANTOLINI
Union Staff

The Yankee All-Star racing league moves it's travelling show to Stafford Springs Speedway tonight at 8.

This will be the fourth stop on the seven-week tour of New England speedways, with only Seekonk, New London-Waterford and Westboro left on the agenda after Stafford.

Geoff Bodine, last year's Stafford point king and currently leading at the half-mile oval, has been victorious in the first Yankee outings at Monadnock, Star and Thompson, respectively.

Bodine will be looking for victory No. 4 and

GREGG ROBINSON AND DENNIS FENTON continue to battle for berths with the New York Jets and Cleveland Browns as defensive tackles. Minnechaug Regional and Dartmouth College's Robinson has been at the Jets' Hofstra University camp since July 13. Fenton, a Springfield Classical and UMass product, will get a long look in Sunday's scrimmage against Buffalo. Cleveland has cut nine and 73 remain in first year coach Sam Rutigliano's camp.

KEN MCCARRON of Ludlow and PAT HEALY of Springfield were cut from the Washington Redskins and Green Bay Packers camps. McCarron's a placekicker who was a Westfield State soccer All-American while Healy was a record-setting fullback at Colgate.

EX-CATHEDRAL soccer stalwart PAT VEALE will captain the 1978 University of Massachusetts soccer team with Joel Mascolo. "He came out of nowhere to be a good player," UMass mentor Russ Kidd says of seniorwing-halfback Veale. UMass returns all except four to its lineup for a 15-game schedule, with national power Brown (NCAA finalist), Southern Connecticut, and Williams as added opponents.

PAUL OPAROWSKI of East Longmeadow received Bates College's prestigious Seavey and Chapman Awards following a brilliant four-year track and cross country career at the Maine-institution.

A three-time All-American, he set school marks in the indoor and outdoor two-mile run, and the outdoor three-mile. He won the Maine state cross country crown in 1977 and 1978.

STEVE HARTERY, who played college baseball at North Adams, is 3-1 after 27 2/3 innings with 23 strikeouts and a 2.28 ERA in the Bradenton, Fla. Rookie League. The -6-2 lefty was picked in the June free agent draft.

Westover golf pro Bob Harlinski is accepting entries for the second annual SETH BULL OPEN, which will benefit the Heart Fund.

Date for the 18-hole medal play tournament will be Thursday, Aug. 3. Starting times are available from noon to 2 p. m.

another Stafford regular, Bugs Stevens, will also be there trying to improve his third-place standings in the All-Star points.

Stevens, by the way, has a new machine and will be driving Joe Brady's No. 41—instead of the familiar No. 15. Ken Bouchard, meanwhile, will be behind the wheel of No. 15.

Making his first appearance in the All-Star league will be Ronnie Bouchard.

He'll be joining the field which also includes Fred Schultz of Westboro Speedway (currently in second place in All-Star points), Thompson champ Fred DeSarro, Seekonk's George Savary and Jack Bateman, Ounky Caron and Dunk Rudolf—all from Monadnock.

THE FIRING LINE: Greenfield and UMass celebrity Doug Welenc is 0-3 after 33 innings third place Cotuit (16-14) in the Cape Cod League. Springfield College's Tom Doherty, who led the nation in earned run average two years ago, is 1-1 with a 3.72 ERA in 30-plus frames for the same team. UConn's Randy LaVigne of Cotuit is the Cape's top hitter at .402 while Ron Perry of Holy Cross hoop and diamond fame is at .353 with five homers and 21 RBI. . . Harwich's Gary Masse (Chicopee Comp, Dartmouth) is hitting .286 with 19 runs and 10 RBI, Randy Kwist of Tech and Eckerd lore, has 245, 10 RBI numbers for Orleans, and Tim Dachos, Boston College's catcher from South Hadley, is clubbing .244 with 13-run, 10-RBI stats for Falmouth. . . Don't forget the Ted Smith Amateur Soccer League twinbill Friday at Berkshire Industries Field in Westfield at 6 p.m. . . Chicopee's super-grinder, Jim Budness, reports to Boston College practice Aug. 22.

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