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...Clouts two doubles



ALFRED THOMPSON
...Hit 3 singles



LONDELL MCCLARY
...Pitched strong game

Morris Field Rangers Win Union County Baseball Title

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There has been a lot of talk going around about the Charlotte Morris Field Rangers baseball team.

Why?—It is because the Morris Field Rangers dominated the Union County Dodger tournament this past weekend with dazzling and outstanding play.

On Saturday the Rangers defeated the Lancaster Tigers, 13-6. The Tigers were overwhelmed with the pitching performance of William Harlee, who sent 12 players to the dugout with strikeouts while only walking three. During this six inning stretch, Harlee allowed a mere count of two runs. In the last three innings Lancaster scored four runs contesting relief pitcher Ricker Summers. Summers struck out four and walked four.

The batting action of the Rangers was very powerful, producing 12 hits and 13 runs. Randy Fall led with two doubles and one single. Alfred Thompson followed with three singles.

Saturday's Ranger victory paved the way for them to play the Union County Dodgers in the championship game of the tournament on Sunday.

Hard consistent hitting and impressive pitching again proved the Rangers winners. Batting ace Bobby Thompson, former Texas Ranger, pound-

ed his second homerun in only three games. He added to that two singles and four RBI's. Albert Turner also put on a show, hitting a homerun and a single to produce 4 RBI's.

Overall, the Rangers had 11 hits and 11 runs. The Dodgers were held to five hits and eight runs. Londell McClary was the winning pitcher. Rodger Coleman was the relief pitcher.

The official League Opener will be played on Saturday. The Charlotte Morris Field Rangers vs. the Union County

Dodgers in Monroe, N.C. at 4. Pitching for the Rangers will be Ricky Summers and Lafayette Currence.

Charlotteans and surrounding baseball fans will have the opportunity to see the exciting and talented Rangers in their first home game appearance Sunday, April 22, at 2:30 on Harding High School baseball field, when the Morris Field Rangers face the Charlotte Bombers. The pitchers for the Rangers will be William Harlee and Londell McClary.

Make Cabinets Part Of Spring Cleaning

Spring cleaning is a good time to give kitchen cabinets a thorough going over.

With a little organization, the job can be made easier.

Specialists with the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service recommend starting by preparing a bucket or dishpan of warm detergent or soap suds and another of water.

Have a sponge or clean cloth handy as well as some type of shelf covering and scissors.

Use a sturdy stepstool or ladder to reach high shelves, but be careful not to over-reach.

Start with the bottom shelf and take everything out of

place on the counter below or on a tabletop. Next, take everything from the second shelf and place on the now empty first shelf.

Continue, moving the contents of each shelf to the shelf below. This method keeps to a minimum the stooping and bending that would result from putting the contents of each shelf on a counter or table.

Starting with the top shelf, remove old lining paper and discard. If the adhesive-type plastic coated paper is on the shelf, wash with a sponge or cloth dipped in suds and then rinse and dry.

Wash and rinse the cabinet walls thoroughly.

Pearson Assured Competitive Car Will Be Made Available?

HARRISBURG, N.C.—David Pearson, NASCAR's winningest super-speedway driver who surprisingly joined the unemployed ranks when he split with the Wood Brothers Racing Team, has been assured that a competitive car will be available for him to drive in the upcoming May 27th World 600 at Charlotte Motor Speedway.

Pearson, the popular 44-year-old "Silver Fox" from Spartanburg, S.C., who scored the first of his 102 career Grand National wins in the 1961 World 600 at CMS, and Glen Wood, the senior member of the Wood Brothers team, jointly announced that they had "reached a mutual agreement to separate" several days after the recent Rebel 500.

"David told Purolator officials that he would enter selected superspeedway events 'when a competitive car was available' and we have assured him that we are directing all of our efforts toward finding that car," said CMS General Manager H.A. (Humpty) Wheeler.

"David Pearson is a three-time World 600 winner and he has won an unprecedented eleven consecutive pole positions at Charlotte," Wheeler added. "We expect him to be favored to make it twelve straight when the \$15,000 Busch Pole for the World 600 is decided Wednesday afternoon, May 23rd."

Purolator will continue to sponsor the famed "Number 21" Wood Brothers Mercury vacated by Pearson, and Neil Bonnett, the young driver from Hueytown, Ala., has agreed to drive the machine in several upcoming races. Purolator Director of Racing Operations, Whit Collins, has confirmed that the car will be entered in the World 600. If Bonnett, who has a commitment to race in the Indianapolis 500, is unavailable for the Charlotte 600-mile another leading competitor will be selected and an announcement will be made within the next two weeks.

There are several outstand-

ing CMS marks among the many records Pearson has set during his 19-year Winston Cup career. He ranks first at CMS in winnings (\$359,126),

first in total miles of racing driven (15,555) and first in total laps led (1,801). His \$80,000-plus in CMS qualifying winnings is also a record.

"Big Cat" Williams To

Play In Kemper Tournament

Kemper Open Executive Director Billy Booe announced Evan "Big Cat" Williams would be among the eight professionals who will receive Sponsor Exemption Invitations to compete in the \$350,000 Kemper Open the week of April 28 - May 3 at Quail Hollow Country Club in Charlotte, North Carolina. Such an invitation exempts a player from Monday qualifying.

In 1976, Evan won the National Long Drive Contest at Congressional Country Club. Hitting into a breeze, he was the only competitor to carry the ball over 300 yards. He repeated in 1977 at Pebble Beach, winning on his last swing in the competition with a rocket shot of over 353 yards. He missed his third consecutive title by less than two yards in 1978.

Two former Masters Champions, Tommy Aaron and Bob Goalby also received exemptions. Goalby has 11 tour victories to his credit including the 1968 Masters. Aaron has won over \$800,000 along with his 1973 Masters crown.

Colorful Chi Chi Rodriguez, always a gallery favorite in Charlotte, was in contention to win the 1977 Kemper Open. A balky putter put him in a final tie for 12th.

Laurinburg's Leonard Thompson, former Wake Forest great who played very well in this year's Masters after an opening round of 68, has also accepted an invitation.

Bob Spence, formerly of Hilton Head and now Golf Director at the new Kemper

Lakes Golf Course in Long Grove and a member of Golf Digest's panel, will be making his first Kemper Open appearance since 1976.

Mike Hill and Larry Ziegler, both former tour winners who have twenty Kemper Open appearances between them, complete the eight who have been honored.

Tickets may be obtained in Charlotte at the Kemper Open Tournament Office, 1850 East Third Street; Belk's and Ivey's Credit Offices Uptown, Southpark and Eastland Mall

Easter Sunday

Wrestling Results

Three main wrestling events took place on Easter Sunday evening at the Charlotte Coliseum.

Dino Bravo defeated Baron Von Raschke.

Mid-Atlantic title bearer Ken Patera and Jimmy Snuka were both disqualified for fighting outside the ring till the count of 10.

In the TV Title Match between Paul Jones and Ricky Steamboat, Jones was disqualified for grabbing the title belt and running with it. Steamboat was then declared the winner.

Tag team match contenders Tony Atlas and Johnny Weaver defeated Lynn Denton and Big John Studd.

Moose Morowski and Jacques Gilet vanquished Les Thornton and Don Kernoale.

Mr. X No. 1 defeated Herb Galleant and Terry Sawyer won a decision over Tony Russo.

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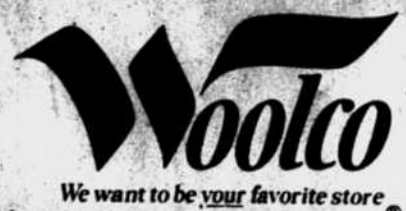
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