

State Softball Championship Will Be Settled Tonight

Roanoke Rapids Simcos To Meet Winner of Champion-Romancos Contest

The championship of the 14th annual North Carolina Men's Softball Tournament will be decided tonight at Champion Park in Canton, unless the final two games are washed out again.

The Roanoke Rapids Romancos, the defending champion, are scheduled to meet the best Champion YMCA All-Star at 8:15 p. m. in a contest to decide who will meet the Roanoke Rapids Simcos after ward for the title.

All three teams have one loss each on their record as the double elimination event. The Simcos have licked both clubs, while the Champion softballers were responsible for the licks on the other two records.

After an earlier tournament loss to the Simcos, Champion came back Saturday night behind Nazi Miller's prodigious pitching, and pinned a 9-4 licking on their conquerors.

In the first game of that round Russ Deberry, the Romancos' veteran, hurled the second no-hitter of the playoffs as the defending champions smothered Chapel Hill Electric, 12-0.

He fanned 14, walked only one man, and allowed only two to reach base.

Five errors contributed heavily to Chapel Hill's elimination for any further consideration in the title speculation.

Champion scored in the nightcap with three runs in the third.

Windy Sams pitched the tournament's first no-hitter Friday night as Champion licked Spofford of Wilmington, 3-0, after the All-Stars had dropped a 1-0 decision to the Roanoke Rapids Simcos earlier in the day for their first loss.

Sams had made his tournament debut Wednesday night by pinning a one-hitter on Town House Grill of Charlotte, fanning 14 batters.

Friday night, supported by errorless ball, he struck out a dozen Wilmington batters and let only one man get on base. This one made it on the only walk the Champion veteran gave up.

The best All-Stars scored all their runs in the night game after they had come up to bat for the last time in the top of the seventh. Shortstop Steve Scarborough, Carol Waldrop and George Stamey each singled. Outfielder Jim Rhea contributed a sacrifice fly and a Spofford error contributed to the only runs of the game.

The fans saw the defending champion Roanoke Rapids Romancos take their first loss of the tournament that same night. Their fellow town men, the Simcos, edged them 1-0, behind the one-hit pitching of Andy Carlyle, the same hurler who had stopped Champion that afternoon.

When the 15th game ended, three more teams had been eliminated from the tournament, leaving five of the original 11 starters surviving.

The victims of Friday's play included the western district representative, Postal Accounts of Asheville; Cartex Mills of Salisbury, and Firestone Textiles of Gastonia.

Gastonia stopped Asheville, 3-2, before bowing to Chapel Hill Electric, 5-2, that night.

Spofford shut out Cartex, 5-0, in the afternoon for the Salisbury club's second loss of the tournament.

The Roanoke Rapids Romancos had barely squeezed by Chapel Hill, 1-0, in the afternoon before losing by the same score to the Simcos in the evening's festivities.

In the first round of the tournament, the manager of one of the clubs commented:

"All Deberry 'Romancos' veteran pitcher, has to do is throw his glove on the field. And my boys won't get a hit."

The Simcos had trouble with Russ's offerings. But not that much they bunched him for three hits, while their own durable hurler, Carlyle, was throwing a one-hitter at the defending champs for his third shutout in two days.

Carlyle had won a duel with Champion's ace, Nazi Miller, in the afternoon game, but the top broke even on bingles yielded. Each gave up only two safeties.

Champion's All-Stars racked up their second straight tournament victory Tuesday afternoon, again on beautiful pitching and clutch hitting.

German (Nazi) Miller, Canton ace, held the strong High Point Weavers to two hits as he led the host club to a 3-0 victory.

The locals supported this performance with a six-hit attack and capitalized on four High Point errors.

The night before, Champion, Winds Sams had stopped Town House Grill of Charlotte with a one-hitter and fanned 14 men as the All-Stars made their tournament debut with a 6-0 victory.

Against High Point, George Speedy, Stamey, Champion's heavy-hitting right fielder, started the scoring with a single in the fourth that drove in the first two runs. Catcher Bobby Joe Mease, who had doubled, and shortstop Steve Scarborough, who had gotten on base on an error, came in on the hit.

Champion's insurance came in the fifth when Mease singled in Third baseman Floyd Deweese, who had tripled.

The same day, the defending Champion Roanoke Rapids Romancos advanced at the expense of the Spofford Spinners of Wilmington by the same score, 3-0.

But the Spinners bounced back that night to knock the Charlotte representatives out of the tournament. Wilmington won, 2-1, though they could get only one hit off Bruce Porter of Town House.

Errors cost Town House the ball game and any further chance to claim the state throne. Both Wilmington runs came in on the miscues.

The second-day games also saw the first extra-inning contest of the tournament.

The Chapel Hill Electric, sport-

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Industrial League Scores

Clearwater at Hazelwood (Pop.) Berkeley 16, Beacon 2. Eureka 9, Canton 0 (Forfeit).

The doubleheader between the Clearwater Finishing nine and the Hazelwood team Saturday was postponed due to rain and wet grounds and was re-scheduled for Saturday afternoon, August 27.

The regular season schedule closed last Saturday and the games will have no bearing on the league standings.

Tom "Bud" Blalock, former manager of the Hazelwood nine that captured the loop championship in 1946 and 1947, is home on furlough and will see mound action for the locals.

Hazelwood's last game of the season will be unreeled on the Canton diamond in the annual Labor Day game between the locals and the Canton Pigeons.

Merchants Journey To South Carolina For Night Game

The Waynesville Merchants face one of the hardest games of the season Wednesday night when they journey to Seneca, S. C., for a tilt with the Seneca All-Stars.

Manager Tate said the date could be arranged on a game-for-game basis but with football moving in on the Waynesville High field, only one game would be played.

His starting pitcher was indefinite and would not be known until game time.

Beacon Mills Journeys To National Tourney

The Beacon Mills nine of the Western North Carolina Industrial League will journey to Wichita, Kan., to take part in the National Baseball Congress Semi-Pro Tournament which is now underway.

The Beacon team, Western District champions and third-place team of the State tournament, received the invitation to go after the Siler City nine, State champions, and North Carolina Finishing, of Yakin, second-place team, were unable to go to the National tournament.

Mark Ferguson, Beacon manager, added Ed Hunicutt, Noah Goode, Hop Abbott and Ray Slider, of the Berkeley Spinners, to his squad for the trip to Wichita.

One of the players expected to attract a lot of attention at the meet is Southpaw Bill Anders, who was undefeated in the State tournament.

Challenger Edges Defending Champion 2-Up in Finals Match

Bob Allen of Waynesville is the new Waynesville Country Club Invitation Golf Tournament champion.

He rallied in the all-Waynesville finals Friday to dethrone defending title-holder Charlie Putnam, 2-up, on the 36th and last hole.

After a shaky start on the opening nine, Allen, the tournament medalist, caught up with Putnam, and took the lead for the first time on the 32nd, going ahead one-up on the back nine, but was trailing, one-up, at the end of the 13-hole morning round.

In taking the lead for the first time, he sank his putt from 20 feet out for a birdie three.

The match was in the bag for the challenger when Putnam teed out of bounds and Allen birdied on the final hole.

W. T. Dewese of Waynesville lost the second flight finals to Frank Medford of Asheville, 4 and 3; L. H. Pope of Miami, Fla., whipped P. G. Gum of Lake Wales, Fla., 2 and 1, in the third flight; Frank Hartfield of Atlanta, Ga., edged Bill Prevost of Hazelwood, one-up.

W. D. Rieder of Miami scored a 6 and 5 victory over Jerry Chico of Orlando, Fla., in the fifth flight finals; S. W. Keen of Lake Wales conquered H. W. Davis of New Orleans, 2 up, in the sixth flight; and Bob Johnson of Largo, Fla., won the seventh flight with a 3 and 2 verdict over R. L. Smith of Raleigh.

Allen gained the championship finals by defeating J. C. Hyatt of Asheville, 3 and 2, while Putnam eliminated Bob Ellis of Orlando, Fla., 5 and 4, in Thursday's semi-finals.

The new champion had taken medal honors in the qualifying round with a two-under-par 69.

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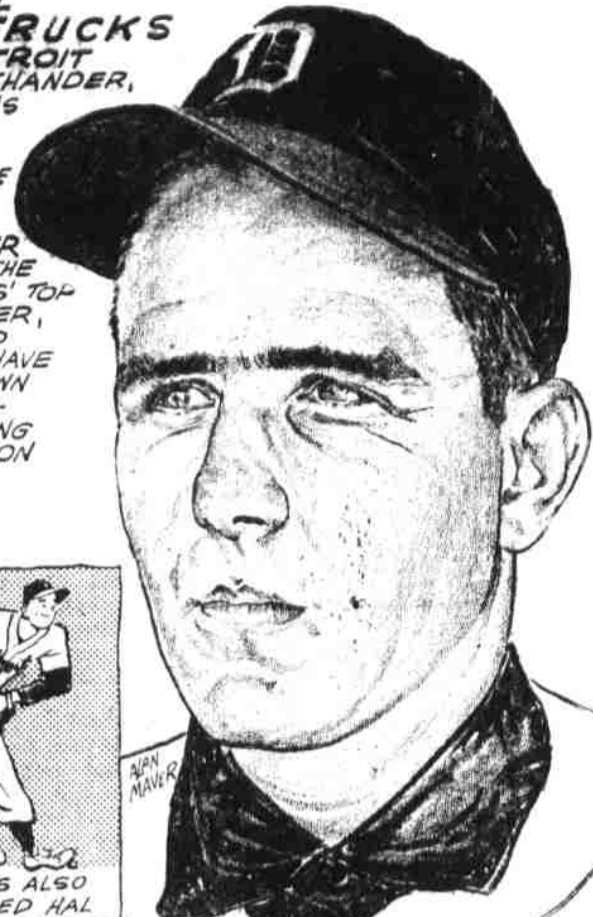
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By Alan Maver

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Tryon Entry Wins Top Prize In Dog Show Here

A Tryon, N. C., dog holds top honors in the Hayward-Jackson County Fox Hunters Association Bench Show.

Citation, owned by Elbert Nanny, won the approval of the judges at the event held Saturday night at the Waynesville Township High School field.

Dogs from the Carolinas, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida, competed for the prizes in the various classes.

President of the sponsoring Hayward-Jackson association is Frank M. Davis of Iron Duff.

R. P. Wilson of Concord, N. C., served as ringmaster, and Homer Claws of Florida as judge.

Winner of the best opposite sex from the champion dog was Liva Setzer, owned by Burris Hill Kennels of Lincolnton.

Owners of the winners in the various divisions were:

Best pack of four—first Burris Hill Kennels; second, C. P. Hawkins, Whitesburg, Tenn.; third, Carl Ferguson, Clyde.

Natural carriage—L. L. Buckner, Waynesville.

Pairs—Burris Hill Kennels. Puppies under six months—first, Devoe McElroy, Waynesville, Route 2; second, Cook and Wells, Canton; third, Jack West, Clyde; fourth, Cook and Wells; fifth, Jack West; sixth, Cook and Wells; seventh, Jack West; eighth, Cook and Wells; ninth, J. A. Ratcliff, Waynesville; tenth, Jack West.

Female puppies under one year—first, Burris Hill Kennels; second, Devoe McElroy; third, B. T. Hawkins, Whitesburg, Tenn.; fourth, Bill Ferguson, Waynesville.

Male puppies under one year—first, W. C. Sexton, Del Rio, Tenn.; second, Burris Hill Kennels; third, B. T. Hawkins; fourth, Will Ratcliff; fifth, J. A. Ratcliff, Waynesville, Route 1.

Derby male—first, E. F. Nanny, Tryon; second, R. W. Drake, Hendersonville; third, B. P. Hawkins; fourth, Taylor Brothers, Lenoir; fifth, Burris Hill Kennels; sixth, Perry Moore, Marion; seventh, Gay Bradshaw, Clyde, Route 1; eighth and ninth, James Medford, Waynesville, Route 1; tenth, Ernest Chambers, Waynesville, Route 2.

Derby female—first, Burris Hill Kennels; second, B. P. Hawkins; third, Cook and Wells; fourth, J. A. Burnett, Canton; fifth, Jack West.

All age male—first, B. L. and Carlos Lovell, Clarksville, Ga.; second, Thomas H. Davis, Hazelwood; third, Billy Wyke, Clarksville, Ga.; fourth and fifth, Carl Ferguson, Clyde; sixth, Gay Bradshaw; seventh, H. W. Shook, Canton; eighth, J. W. Milner, Canton; ninth, L. L. Buckner, Waynesville.

All-age female—Billy Wyke; second, B. P. Hawkins; third, C. C. Saine, Lincolnton; sixth and seventh, Taylor Brothers, Lenoir; eighth, L. L. Buckner, Waynesville; ninth, Tom Devlin, Canton.

The Chinese have special fans for spring, summer and autumn.

The first U. S. ice-making machines were invented in 1850.

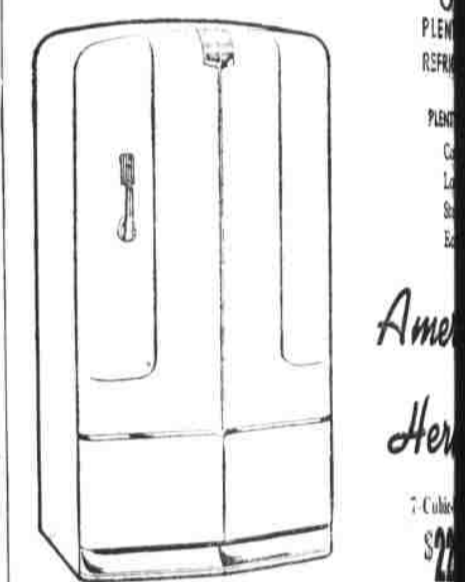
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