

Jerry Conway's Big Bat Slams Trenton Little Leaguers Home In Season Championship Playoff

By Anna Taylor

Seven tremendous homers in the last five games of 1961 season by Jerry Conway enabled Trenton to capture the Jones County Little League baseball championship. The hard hitting first baseman, who had a season total of 16 homers, slammed two in each of the tournament games to give Trenton impressive single elimination victories over Comfort and a strong Pollocksville team that had only two previous

Conway's clouts traveled far over and beyond the 180 ft. fence and into the woods that lay some distance behind the Trenton ball park — as fans sat awed and amazed at the strength of the young slugger. One of Conway's blows was es-

timate by managers and fans to have traveled farther than 300 feet — with the long ball hitter banging several others to almost equal that distance.

Also responsible for Trenton's success was the steady hitting of Melvin Murphy, a .365 hitter for the season, hard hitting catcher Guy Kinsey, and Randy Banks who led the tournament hitting with a .714 mark—including a four-bagger.

Both Trenton wins were pitched by Harold Smith who in the latter part of the season had to leave his post at shortstop to carry the load of a weakened pitching staff.

In the first round of tournament play, Smith bested ace pitcher Freddie Mercer of the Pollocksville

nine. Mercer was defeated only twice during the season — each time by Smith who also hit at a .366 pace.

Smith was on base 64 times in 96 times at bat scoring 38 runs — while Melvin Murphy, Trenton's star at third base, was on base 67 times in 93 times at bat, scoring 42 runs. Trenton played 25 games during the summer.

Probably the most dramatic game of the tournament was when the younger and more inexperienced Comfort team downed Maysville for its first victory of the season. The victory was made possible by the grand slam homerun of first baseman Stewart King, and the gummy play of the other Comfort youngsters who improved steadily throughout the season.

This was the first year of organized Little League baseball in Jones County and it was greatly enjoyed by all as the managers of

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might take 17 years rather than seven. Congress has to vote the money. The Corps of Engineers has to plan and supervise. The executive branch of government is faced with endless requests for such "pork barrel" work, and must parcel it out piece-meal in dribbles that are often wasted because they do not permit the completion of the job before it has to be done all over again.

The so-called cleaning out of the upper reaches of Trent River some four or five years ago was wasted, since the project had hardly ended before a hurricane came along and dammed the river up in a dozen more places than had been cleared out by the engineers.

We say Jones County has the financial ability — far better than the federal government which is nearly a third of a trillion dollars in debt — and Jones County has the pressing need to do this job itself, and now.

each team sought to enable each individual participating to enjoy a rich, social experience, and to develop knowledge through supervised baseball activities.

A special thanks and feelings of appreciation go to the team managers and fans who strived to make their program profitable and enjoyable for the Jones County youths.

Land Transfers

Jones County Register of Deeds Bill Parker reports the following land transfers that have been recorded in his office during the past week:

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