

Watson holds on to win Masters

Nicklaus, Miller tie for 2nd



Tom Watson, Augusta's master...

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Tom Watson turned back any would-be challengers with a front-running 71 and scored his second Masters victory yesterday in the 45th renewal of golf's annual spring rite.

Watson, who established himself as golf's current king with his 1977 triumph on the rolling hills of the Augusta National Golf Club course, won by two strokes with a 280 total, eight shots under par.

While he never trailed over the last 18 holes of the first of the year's four major tests of golfing greatness, the green jacket was a hard-won piece of cloth.

It was not exactly a walk in the park. There were challenges aplenty.

First — and last — there was the indomitable figure of Jack Nicklaus, now 41 and secure in his position as the finest player the ancient game has produced. At other times, there were Johnny Miller, gritty little John Mahaffey and Greg Norman, the white-haired Australian sharpshooter.

All got close at one time or another on the warm spring afternoon, but none of them could ever take that last step to pull even with Watson on the trek through the azaleas and dogwoods.

The key to Watson's victory came on the two back-nine pars, the 12th and 13th holes.

Miller, playing 54 minutes in front, birdied the 17th from about 14 feet to go six under par and pull within one stroke of Watson, who was seven under for the tournament when he played the 12th. On that hole, Watson put his second drive in Rae's Creek, the little stream that trickles through a ravine in front of the green. But he saved par — and his lead. He pitched to 4 to 5 feet from the hole and made the putt.

On the 15th, Watson two-putted for the birdie that gave him a two-shot margin and nailed down the win.

Nicklaus and Miller tied for second, a position un happily familiar to each, with 282 totals. Miller, now a three-time runner-up, had a closing 60. Nicklaus, who was seeking a sixth Masters title, settled instead for a share of a record he'd rather not have. He tied Tom Weiskopf for the most second place finishes — four. After a slow start, Nicklaus managed to match par, 72.

Norman was next, alone at 283 after an erratic

22 that included a double bogey on the long 10th that destroyed any upset hopes he may have held. Tom Kite, who has a history of high finishes in this event, and Jerry Pate were next at 284. Kite closed up with a 68, matching Miller's effort for the best score of the day, and Pate shot 70. David Graham, an Australian and a former winner of the PGA, was next at 71-285.

Ben Crenshaw, Mahaffey and Ray Floyd followed at 286. Mahaffey, only one stroke back with nine holes to go, slipped to a 74 with 50 on the back nine. Floyd, a former winner here and holder of two 1981 titles, shot 71. Crenshaw, still lacking the one major title he needs to confirm his position in the game, had 73.

The victory was worth \$60,000 to Watson, who has set money-winning records in each of the past three seasons and won Players of the Year honors in the past four. It also extended his habit of scoring multiple triumphs in certain key events. Of his 26 career victories, including three British Opens, he has acquired 19 of them in only eight tournaments.

He started the day with a one-shot lead over Nicklaus, the holder of 17 major professional titles. The eagerly anticipated duel between the two giants of the game really didn't materialize. The closest they came was on the final few holes when Nicklaus finally got untracked.

He birdied the 15th, two-putting, and holed a long one, perhaps 35-40 feet, on the 16th.

Still, he trailed.

He received warm, loud ovations from the huge crowds surrounding the greens on the 17th and 18th, but he wore a rueful smile as he acknowledged the applause. It was an acknowledgment of his past triumphs, his overwhelming record — not the cheers given to a current winner.

Watson birdied the par-5 second hole, had a two-shot margin and took it from there. He had one hole to go on the 18th, a bogey on the ninth, where his putt rolled down the steeply sloping green onto the front fringe and he had to chip back and one-putt for bogey.

He dodged a bullet on the 13th, where his great save of par saved his lead and possibly the tournament. The second putt for birdie on the 15th, no more than two feet in length, confirmed Watson's character.

While he was waiting for Norman, his partner, to put out, Watson heard the footsteps of the Golden Bear. They came in a resounding roar when Nicklaus holed that beautiful putt on the 16th.

Watson, knowing Nicklaus was on the move, never faltered. He grimaced when the sound came ringing through the trees, scowling, showing an expression of pain. When it was his turn to putt, he stepped quickly to the ball and rammed it home.

Potential danger was on the 17th. Although he led by two, he ducked his head in dismay when his approach shot found a bunker. Watson blasted out to about 3 to 4 feet and made that par-saving putt. The 18th went by routinely.

Mahaffey played the front side in 34 and was within one at that time. The hard-luck guy, whose career has been dogged by a series of injuries, couldn't handle the vast length of the 10th and 11th par-4 holes measuring 465 and 455 yards, respectively. He bogeyed them both.

Norman, playing in his first Masters, also was a threat after the first nine and also dropped back on the 10th, where he drove into the woods, played his second through the green and took three from there — a double bogey.

That left only Miller, playing well in front, and Nicklaus. Miller simply ran out of holes. He got his score to six under par and went to the white colonial clubhouse hoping for a repeat of the 1973 U.S. Open. In that tournament, he came from deep in the pack with an early 69 and then sat around for a couple of hours before the rest of the field finished and he won the American national championship.

"I'm happy to at least let Watson know I was around," Miller said.

"I didn't think much about winning when I started out, but after birdies on the first two holes, Oakland came into my mind."



...and Jack Nicklaus, denied 6th title

Anderson wins AIAW floor title

By SHARON FINK
Daily Collegian Sports Writer

After the team finals of the AIAW national gymnastics championships Friday night, it looked like it would be a weekend without any redeeming value for the Lady Lions.

The first words Marshall Avenier, the assistant coach of the women's gymnastics team, said after the finals were, "We blew it." Penn State, which went through the regular season undefeated and won the Eastern championship on guts, fight and luck, couldn't overcome powerful Utah or peaking UCLA or four of six Lady Lions falling off beam as it ended up fourth, scoring 141.80 — 3.85 points less than Utah.

The Utes, in front of a home crowd of 8,000 at the Special Events Center in Salt Lake City, won their first national championship as expected with 145.65.

Third-ranked UCLA gave Utah a good fight before ending up second with 144.80. They scored their third-lowest of the year — 35.4.

But the difference between fourth and third, the cause of all the hurt and disappointment, was beam. Four of six Lady Lions fell off, and they wound up scoring their second lowest of the year, 39.35.

Marshall summed things up rather succinctly with, "Beam really did it. Four out of six. That's the story."

"It's one thing not to place high," Marshall said. "Then to feel you did not perform well... it's a hurt one must experience to appreciate. We feel so badly. We muddled through. We feel we let ourselves down, we let Penn State

down... It's not so much we wanted to place higher, we did not perform well."

Judi said all in all, the team did not perform badly. Before the final rotation started, she said she didn't take away from the disappointment.

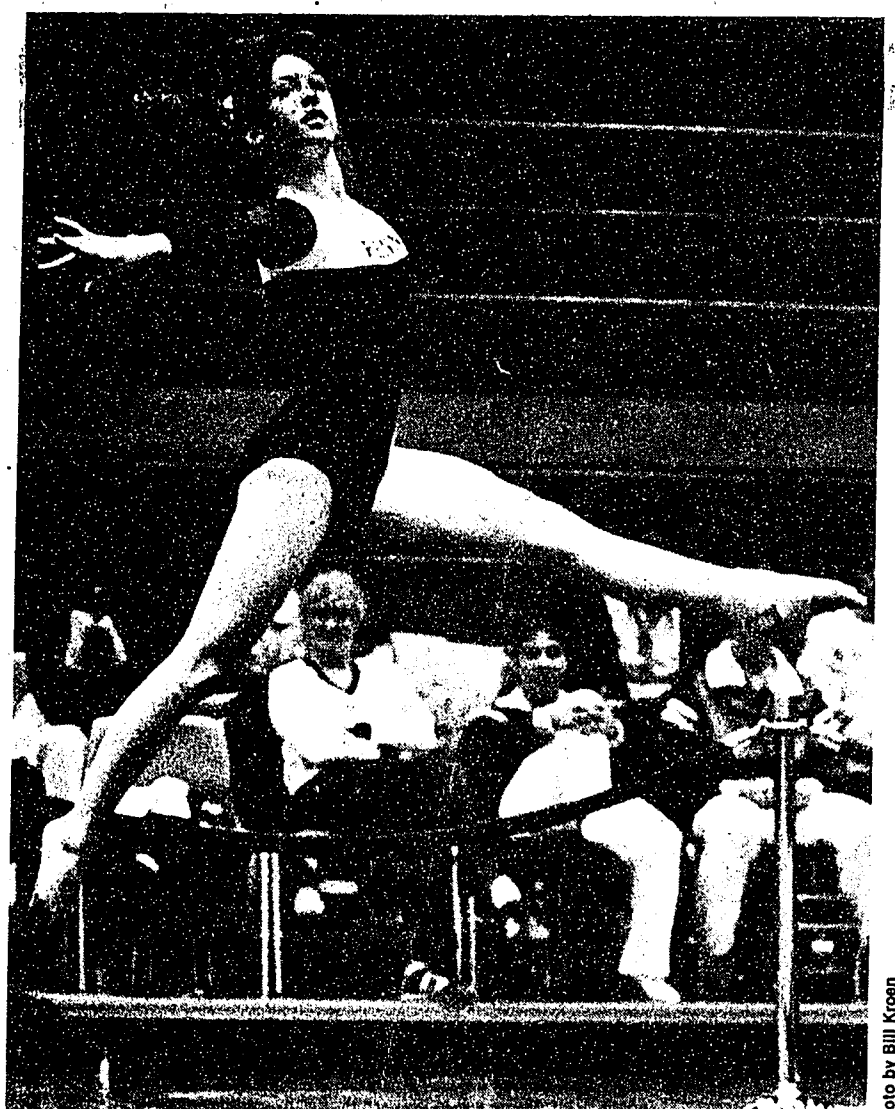
"I just want to believe we let down," Judi said. "At the end of beam, the girls went off the floor into a little room and cried. But they held their heads high. They were proud in defeat, shaking hands with all the other teams. They like the champions they are."

"I don't know. It's just so we easily could have been third, Beam... And it's so typical Fullerton beat us for it by .15."

In the end, Marshall grudgingly accepted the Lady Lions' finish.

"It's just one of those years," he said. "We said in the beginning this was our rebuilding year. The fact that we did as well as we did is a credit to this team. We're only disappointed on how we did it."

"In a sense we ought, ourselves. Fourth is about right for this team. We said all year we just wanted to finish in the top six. But we very easily could have been third."



Penn State's Heidi Anderson won the floor exercise title and the women's gymnastics team placed fourth overall at the AIAW championships in Salt Lake City, Utah, this weekend.

Former boxing champ Louis dies

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Former heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis, who held the title for 12 years and ranked as one of history's greatest fighters, died yesterday after being admitted to Desert Springs Hospital here, the hospital confirmed. He was 66.

"He was in a cardiac arrest state when he arrived," said nursing supervisor Shirley Brown. "They did everything they could to revive him."

Brown said Louis died at 10:05 a.m. PST.

"He had been ill for quite some time," Brown said. "He had had a stroke and different things."

She said Louis' wife, Martha, and some immediate family members were with him when he died.

Louis, confined to a wheelchair since he underwent heart surgery in 1977, attended the Larry Holmes-Trevor Berbick heavyweight title fight Saturday night at Caesars Palace. On April 6 he had been feted by some 1,500 people at a salute in his honor.

Called the Brown Bomber for his punch and string of knockout victories, Louis was just 23 when he won the heavyweight title by knocking out 31-year-old James J. Braddock in the eighth round at Chicago in 1937.

In 17 years as a boxer — of which almost four years were spent in the Army during World War II — he earned nearly \$5 million. Louis had little to show for it when he was through and was in constant income tax difficulty with the government.

When Louis retired for the first time, on March 1, 1949, he told reporters: "I'm glad to retire. It takes a load off my mind.

I could see that I couldn't fight any more, and rather than lose the title in the ring, I decided to quit." But 27 months later he came out of retirement because of a pressing need for money, an urge to fight again and with confidence he could beat reigning heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles.

He met Charles on Sept. 27, 1950, and was soundly beaten in a 15-round bout.

"I'll never fight again," Louis said through swollen lips.

But just two months later he was back in the ring in a string of victories. His career in the ring finally came to an end when he met Rocky Marciano on Oct. 26, 1951, at the age of 37. Marciano, 22, knocked Louis out in the eighth round.

In 71 fights as a professional after he graduated from the Golden Gloves in Detroit, the Brown Bomber scored 54 knockouts in posting a 68-3 record. Louis fought a record 26 championship bouts, 25 of them defenses, without a loss, and many of those fights, especially his rematch with Mike Schmeling — will be discussed as long as people talk about boxing.

Louis was born Joseph Louis Barrow on May 13, 1914, in Lafayette, Ala. He was raised in a Detroit ghetto and became a professional fighter in 1934.

He won his first 28 fights before being knocked out by Schmeling, a former world heavyweight champion from Germany, in the 12th round June 19, 1936, in New York. Louis, nicknamed the stunnet and went on to win the title, but he didn't forget the loss to Schmeling. And on June 22, 1936, in Yankee Stadium, Louis avenged the defeat.



Former heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis died yesterday in Las Vegas, Nev. He was 66. Louis, nicknamed the Brown Bomber, had been in ill health for some time.

Bucks down Philadelphia, Boston advances in NBA

By The Associated Press

Bob Lanier scored 11 of his 23 points and Marques Johnson 10 of his 25 in the fourth quarter, blinding Philadelphia 76er rally and sweeping Milwaukee to a 109-98 victory yesterday as the Bucks tied the two teams' National Basketball Association Eastern Conference playoff series at 2-2.

The Bucks led by 18 points early in the second quarter. The 76ers, sparked by 22 points by Julius Erving, three times cut their deficit to one point in the final period before Lanier and Johnson pulled the Bucks through.

Spurs 114, Rockets 112

San Antonio's George Gervin scored 23 points, many of them on hard earned drives, and helped the Spurs stave off a fourth-quarter Houston rally yesterday for a 114-112 victory in a NBA Western Division semifinal playoff game.

The Spurs, who led by 13 points with seven minutes to play, had to fight off a determined Rockets rally to even the series at two games each.

Kings 102, Suns 95

Ernie Grunfeld poured in a game-high 27 points, and Scott Wedman and Reggie King rattled in 21 apiece to lead the Kansas City Kings to a 102-95 victory over the Phoenix Suns yesterday in Kansas City to take a 3-1 lead in their NBA playoff series.

The Kings, normally a poor shooting free throw team, locked up the game at the line when center Sam Lacey hit a pair of free throws to make it 100-95 with 36 seconds left and Wedman added two more with 18 seconds left for the final margin.

Celtics 109, Bulls 103

Larry Bird scored a game-high 35 points, including four free throws in the last 13 seconds, to give the Boston Celtics a 109-103 victory yesterday over the Chicago Bulls. The win gave the Celtics a four-game sweep over the Bulls in their NBA playoff series.

Parker leads Bucs by Expos, 3-2

By The Associated Press

Manager Chuck Tanner pointed to the box score, not the scale, after full-bodied Dave Parker led the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 3-2 victory over the Montreal Expos yesterday in Pittsburgh.

"Dave Parker is swinging the bat and running like the Dave Parker in the MVP year he had," Tanner said after Parker rapped three hits, including a home run that preceded a consecutive homer by Pirate newcomer Jason Thompson off losing pitcher Ray Burris.

"I've never thought a thing about his weight," added Tanner. "All I want him to do is be healthy. People make big issues out of things, but Dave is a big man, he's 6 feet 5, and Dave plays hard and he plays every day."

Parker's weight has been a point of controversy since the start of spring training. The 29-year-old right fielder weighed about 225-230 pounds when he won the National League MVP award in 1978. But after knee surgery during the past offseason, he reported this spring at an acknowledged weight of 225 pounds.

Parker was silent yesterday, declining to talk to reporters. "No more, no more," said Parker, who had been grumbling about media attention on his waistline.

"Dave, when he plays, is capable of losing three to five pounds on a day like this," said Tanner.

Parker smacked Burris' first pitch of the fourth inning over the right field fence for his first homer of the season and Thompson followed with his first homer as a Pirate, driving a 3-4 pitch over the right field wall.

Dale Murphy drilled an RBI single in the eighth inning to cap a two-run rally and give the Atlanta Braves a 3-2 victory over the Cincinnati Reds yesterday in Atlanta.

Murphy's game-winning hit came after consecutive doubles by Claudell Washington and Glenn Hubbard tied the game 2-2 against losing reliever Tom Hummer.

Atlanta starter John Montross, making his debut for the Braves, had allowed only one hit, a leadoff single to Dave Collins in the first, before leaving in the seventh. The Reds' Frank Pastore, who left for a pinch hitter in the eighth, had a perfect game through four innings and allowed only four hits in seven innings.

Cardinals 7, Phillies 3

Gary Templeton tripped home one run during a three-run rally in the fifth inning and scored the winning run on first baseman Pete Rose's error, keying a 7-3 St. Louis Cardinal triumph over the Philadelphia Phillies yesterday in St. Louis.

Winner Larry Sorensen, acquired by St. Louis in a winter trade from the Milwaukee Brewers, restricted Philadelphia to five hits before giving way to Bruce

Sutter in the final three innings. Philadelphia right-hander Larry Christenson was the chief victim of a 13-hit Cardinal attack, which included two Templeton triples. Held hitless until the fourth, the Phillies erupted to score all their runs in the inning.

Manny Trillo doubled and scored on Bake McBride's single to erase a 1-0 St. Louis advantage. The Phillies scored two more runs on Mike Schmidt's RBI single and Gary Maddox's fielder's-choice grounder.

Sutter, making his first appearance in a Cardinals' uniform, came on after Gary Matthews' leadoff single in the seventh. He retired nine of the 10 batters he faced, striking out four and walking one, for the save.

Mets 2, Cubs 1

In Chicago, rookie Hubie Brooks opened the ninth with a triple and scored on Mike Cabbage's pinch sacrifice fly to lift the New York Mets to a 2-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs yesterday.

Brooks' triple was his third hit of the game and came off reliever and loser Rawley Eastwick. Reliever Neil Allen, the fourth Mets' pitcher, gained the victory.

Tim Leary, the prized Met rookie right-hander, made his major league debut and pitched two hitless innings. Leary had three strikeouts and walked one before departing when his elbow stiffened in the chilly, foggy weather.

Giants 7, Padres 6

Larry Herndon got a two-out double on a San Diego fielding disaster in the 14th inning and scored on Mike Ivie's single to tie the San Francisco Giants against the Padres 7-6 yesterday in San Francisco.

Herndon hit a fly ball to deep left-center field and left fielder Gene Richards appeared ready to make the catch. But Richards pulled up at the last second, apparently thinking center fielder Ruppert Jones would make the catch, and the ball fell between center fielder Gary Lucas intentionally walked Jack Clark, Ivie got his fourth hit of the game, a single to left.

The winner in the 1/2-hour game was rookie Fred Breining, who worked the final two innings for his first major league victory.

Dodgers 3, Astros 2

In Los Angeles, Ken Landreaux slugged a two-run homer and doubled to lead the Los Angeles Dodgers to a 3-2 victory over the Houston Astros yesterday and a sweep of their three-game series.

Rick Sutcliffe, with relief help from Steve Howe, earned the victory. Vern Hulse took the loss.

Rangers 6, Yankees 4

Al Oliver and Mickey Rivers drilled two-run singles and the Texas Rangers rallied to defeat the New York Yankees 6-4 yesterday in New York.

Ferguson Jenkins earned the 26th victory of his

major league career as the Rangers won their first game of the season after dropping two straight to New York.

Jerry Mumphrey and Bucky Dent touched Jenkins for solo home runs and Nettles homered off reliever John Henry Johnson, who took over in the seventh.

Brewers 6, Indians 1

Ben Oglivie and Ted Simmons belted two-run homers to support the seven-hit pitching of two Milwaukee pitchers as the Brewers defeated the Cleveland Indians 6-1 yesterday in Cleveland.

Right-hander Jim Stuy, who sat out most of 1980 because of a rotator cuff injury to his right shoulder, held the Indians scoreless on four hits in 5 2/3 innings to get the victory. He walked two and struck out four.

Red Sox 5, White Sox 4

In Boston, Jim Rice capped a five-run eighth inning with a grand slam home homer yesterday as the Boston Red Sox held hitless for six innings by Richard Dotson, rallied for a 5-4 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

After Dotson lost his no-hit bid on an infield hit by Dwight Evans in the seventh, the Red Sox broke loose an inning later to earn a split of the two-game series and give Ralph Houk his first triumph as Boston manager. Reliever Mark Clark preserved the victory despite Jim Morrison's leadoff homer in the ninth.

Blue Jays 6, Tigers 2

John Mayberry clouted a three-run homer and Toronto's Luis Leal pitched no-hit ball for 5 2/3 innings yesterday as the Blue Jays defeated the Detroit Tigers 6-2 in Detroit for their first victory of the season.

Lynn Jones hit a pinch home run in the Detroit eighth with Lance Parrish aboard off Leal, who allowed five hits before needing ninth-inning help from Mike Willis and Roy Lee Jackson.

A's 1, Twins 0

Oakland's Steve McCatty hurled six hitless innings and stopped Minnesota on three soft singles yesterday as the A's blanked the Twins 1-0 in Bloomington, Minn., to complete a sweep of their four-game season-opening series.

The complete game was the fourth straight for A's pitchers and also the second consecutive shutout. Matt Kough blanked Minnesota 3-0 on Saturday. The Twins have not scored in 26 innings since a three-run first inning on Friday.

Angels 8, Mariners 6

Red Carew, who earlier rapped out three hits and drove in two runs, stole home for the 17th time in his career with two out in the ninth inning yesterday, and the California Angels rallied for four runs to defeat the Seattle Mariners 8-6 in Seattle.



Pirate catcher Steve Nicotia takes it on the chin by the Expos' Larry Parrish in the seventh inning of the Pirates' 3-2 victory over Montreal in Pittsburgh yesterday.

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