Ballesteros tied for U.S. Open lead

By BOB GREEN
AP Golf Writer

OAKMONT, Pa. — Seve Ballesteros, who took the Masters title home to Spain two months ago, scored an eagle-3 on his way to a 69 that provided him with a share of the first-round lead yesterday in the 83rd U.S. Open Golf Championship.

Ballesteros was tied for the lead with John Mahaffey, who has a history of success on this course, and veteran Bob Murphy, both of whom matched Ballesteros' 2-under-par total on the 6,972 yards of western Pennsylvania hills that make up historic Oakmont.

A single shot back was 45-year-old Bruce Devlin, the Australian veteran who also shot a 70 in tying for the first-round lead in the American national championship last year.

Devlin hasn't won in 11 years and said he has "absolutely no explanation," for his superior play this hot, humid day.

"If there is an explanation, it's that this is the Open. We don't want to make complete fools of ourselves and maybe we try a little harder," he said.

Effort, however, was not enough for some of golf's more glamorous names.

Tom Watson, the defending champion who is attempting to fight his way out of the most frustrating, perplexing slump of his career, shot a 72 that he said was "basically, a good round of golf. I'm pretty happy with the score; 72 is not a bad score at all."

Jack Nicklaus, holder of an unmatched collection of 17 major professional titles, and who, at age 43, is shooting for an unprecedented fifth U.S. Open crown, was not pleased with a score one shot higher.

"Satisfied? Not at all," Nicklaus said. "I should have had better. I just tossed away four shots on the front side alone," he said. He pointed out that he failed to birdie either of the par-5 holes on that side, missed a 6-foot par-saving putt on the first hole and three-putted another.

And Arnold Palmer, 53, playing before a huge gallery of old friends, long-time supporters and neighbors from his nearby hometown, Latrobe, Pa., gave them a brief, fleeting glimpse of the Palmer of old.

For one shining moment early in the day, the legendary man who put the word "charge" in golf's lexicon had the lead alone. But he couldn't sustain it. He did not make a birdie over the last 10 holes, played that stretch four over and drifted back to a 74.

Lou Graham, 45, the 1975 U.S. Open winner; Bobby Wadkins, an alternate who got into the tournament field only when Lee Trevino withdrew on Wednesday, and D.A. Weibring matched par 71 and were two strokes back.

With Watson at 72 was a group that included PGA champion Ray Floyd, 1983 leading money-winner Lanny Wadkins, and two-time U.S. Open winner Hale Irwin. Also at that figure were Jim Booros, Canadian Jim Nelford, Joey Rassett, South African Nick Price and Frank Conner.

Gary Player, the South African who won this title in 1965, was with Nicklaus at 73. Australian Greg Norman shot 74 as did David Graham and Ben Crenshaw.

Tom Kite and Calvin Peete both had 75s.

"It's absolutely awesome," said Johnny Miller of the course where he won the U.S. Open 10 years ago. He shot 78 this time.

"Completely intimidating. I don't think I've ever seen a more difficult golf course," said Devlin.

"It may not be tough, but I made it tough," said Nicklaus.

About one-quarter of the field failed to break 80. The scores ranged up to an 88 by Don Klenk.

George Burns thrashed his way to a 10 on the final hole, which included one shot out of bounds and visits to three bunkers. When he added it all up, he had a score of 83, declined to sign his card and was disqualified.

"The toughest I've ever seen," said Murphy, a 40-year-old who hasn't won since 1975.

Mahaffey, who twice had the Open title in his grasp and let it slip away — in 1975 and again the following year — said he was "very, very lucky" to be anywhere near par.

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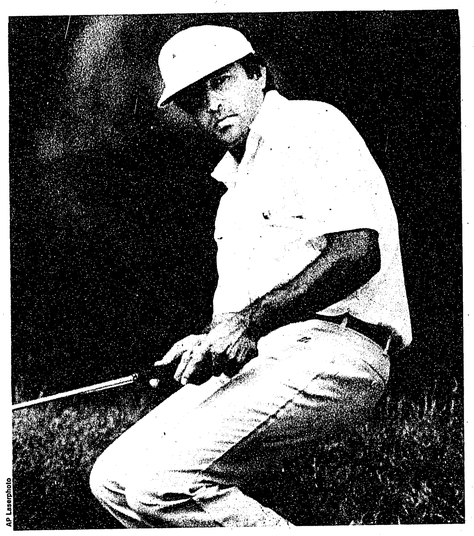

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Seve Ballesteros uses some body english to try and get the ball in the cup on the 11th green at the Oakmont Country Club. Ballesteros shares the first-round lead with John Mahaffey and Bob Murphy.

Oakmont brings out the worst in golfers

By TOM SAKELL
Collegian Sports Writer

OAKMONT, Pa — Early in life, golfers are taught to compete against golf courses, not other golfers. Golfers are never at a loss for competition when it comes to golf courses, because every 18 holes has its own personality.

Some courses have long fairways, others short greens. One course might be filled with water hazards, and other sand traps.

On the other hand, golfers also come in all shapes and sizes. Some can hit the ball a mile, some can chip onto a dime, and others can putt a ball through the eye of a needle. But rare is the course that can defeat all types of golfers at the same time — until now.

The Oakmont Country Club, the site of this year's U.S. Open, launched its savage attack on the world's best golfers in yesterday's opening round. The Par 71 course offers a triple threat to golf's cream of the crop — narrow fairways, lightning fast greens, and roughs that grow nearly a foot high.

"The course totally intimidates me," Bruce Devlin said, who survived with a 70. "In my 22 years of professional golf, I don't think I've ever seen a more difficult course. I don't think it's a fair course, if you want my honest opinion."

The Houston native, complained while Oakmont's fariways are wide at 220 to 240 yards, where a good golfer drives the ball, the alleys are too narrow at 270 yards, where the pros land their balls. Thus, the professional must hit a shorter shot with a low iron instead of a driver, Devlin said.

Ben Crenshaw, who finished with a 74, said, "I used a driver only five times."

"I used a driver out there on the 18, and I dropped the ball right into the bunker on the left side. This course is tough, all the way from one to 18."

The slick green were the downfall for many in the field, including Jack Nicklaus. His 73 score included 33 putts.

"I three-putted No. 8," said the Golden Bear. "That is four shots I gave away right there. The pins were set to a fairly awkward position and I simple misread the greens.

"(Caddy) Jack Jr. and I disagreed as to the break in the greens he said it would break six inches, and I said, 'Would you belive three feet?' Anther time we agree the break was two inches, I hit it two inches, and it broke. That is just the characteristic of this course."

The Oakmont greens are probably the slickest of any on the professional tour this year. Nearly every ball that landed any where on the first green picked up speed and eventually rolled off the back into the thick rough.

Chipping out of the high grass back onto the green that would not hold the ball nearly brought out the dark side of many golfers.

The high rough enveloping the greens and bordering the narrow fairways upset Devlin.

"My partner hit a ball six feet into the rough, an indifferent shot, and he couldn't get it past 30 yards with his sand wedge. Now that's an indifferent shot and he had to hack it out when he should have been drivng the ball off the fairway."

The tough course should increase scores far above normal, and most of the field said they think who can ever shoot par over four rounds (284) will win the tournament.

The difficult task, everyone agreed, will be simply shooting par.

"Someone told me after I walked off the 18th green that I could win the tournament with three 71s," said Devlin, who finished fourth on the day.

"I'd pay $30,000 to $40,000 for that right now."

The battle of the best golfers against the toughest course continues today and runs through Sunday. Gary Player, a South African who shot an opening round of 73, said the best player will accept the course's four-day challenge.

Duran regains glory with KO

By ED SCHUYLER Jr.
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — In the 2½ years since Roberto Duran quit in disgrace against Sugar Ray Leonard, he had heard the talk. Last night, he did something about it.

Showing the fire of old, Duran battered Davey Moore into submission in the eighth round and won the World Boxing Association junior middleweight title before a screaming, fremzied throng of 20,061 at Madison Square Garden.

"People were saying Davey Moore was too much for Roberto Duran," said the new champion. "I wanted to prove them wrong and become champion of the world again.

"I wanted to show that I could still fight."

Duran certainly wanted to fight. He could barely contain himself as he bounced in the corner while the Panamanian and the U.S. national anthems were played and the fighters were introduced. Once the opening bell rang, Duran fought and fought and fought until Moore could do nothing about it.

Duran knocked Moore down in the seventh round and finally at 2:02 of the eighth, referee Ernesto Magana of Mexico halted the fight after Moore's manager, Leon Washington, threw in the towel. Magana said he did not see the towel and it had nothing to do with his decision.

"We feel we underestimated Duran," said Moore.

Many people underestimated the Duran. Many said he was through after he walked away from Leonard and a share of the welterweight title in the eighth round, Nov. 25, 1980.

"Retire," Duran was told, over and over again. But he would not quit, even though he lost twice more after the humiliating loss to Leonard; even though long-time manager Carlos Eleta and others close to him walked away, saying he should not fight any more.

But instead of the darkness of retirement, for a man with the burning pride of Duran, it is now sunshine again.

He is a champion for the third time and only one of seven men to win titles in three weight classes.

No sooner had the fight ended than people were talking about Duran vs. Tommy Hearns, the WBC champion, for the undisputed junior middleweight title. They were talking about Duran bidding for a fourth title against Marvelous Marvin Hagler, the undisputed middleweight champion.

But Duran, who must feel that he did a lot to wipe out the stain of New Orleans, wasn't interested in talking about his new found boxing future. He wanted to savor the present.

"We want to celebrate my victory tonight and my birthday," said Duran, who was 32 yesterday.

Although Duran was in control from the outset, two judges scored four rounds even and had Duran five points ahead 70-65 after giving him a 10-7 round in the seventh. The other official had Duran six points in front.

In the seventh round, Duran hurt Moore — who had been fighting with his right eye completely shut for almost the entire fight after he was thumbed in the opening round — with a right hand and then sent him to the ropes with another right.

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Roberto Duran (left) pounds Davey Moore in the second round of their WBA junior middleweight title bout last night at Madison Square Garden in New York. Duran reclaimed his glory and WBA championship with an eighth-round knockout of Moore.

Brewers edge Orioles in 11

Manning's line-drive homer proves the difference

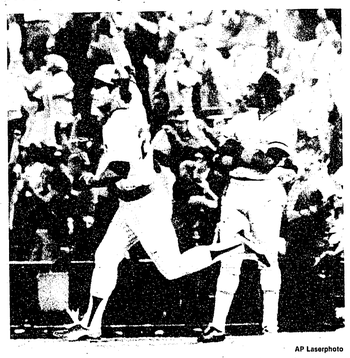
MILWAUKEE (AP) — Rick Manning lined his second home run of the year with one out in the 11th inning, lifting the Milwaukee Brewers to a 2-1 victory over the Baltimore Orioles last night.

Manning lined a 2-2 pitch into the right center field bullpen off Tim Stoddard, 3-1, who had relieved Orioles left-hander Scott McGregor to start the 11th. It was Manning's first homer since the Brewers acquired him from Cleveland June 6.

The victory went to Jim Slaton, 6-2, the third Brewer pitcher. Slaton relieved Jerry Augustine in the 10th and pitched out of a two-on, one-out jam.

The Brewers tied the score 1-1 with two out in the ninth, getting only their fourth and fifth hits off McGregor. McGregor was one out away from a shutout when Cecil Cooper doubled to right field, then scored when Simmons followed with a ground single to the left of shortstop.

Ken Singleton ended a scoreless duel between McGregor and Milwaukee right-hander Moose Haas with an RBI grounder in the sixth inning. Haas left after nine innings, scattering nine hits and striking out five.



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Milwaukee's Rick Manning celebrates his 11th inning homer that lifted the Brewers to a 2-1 win over Baltimore. Orioles first baseman Eddie Murray stands with his arms crossed.

Blue Jays 9 A's 1

TORONTO — Ernie Whitt, Alfredo Griffin and Willie Upshaw homered to back right-hander Jim Gott last night and the Toronto Blue Jays to a 9-1 victory over the Oakland A's night.

Gott, a right-hander, scattered nine hits, struck out seven and walked one in 8 1-3 innings while improving his record to 4-5. He held the A's scoreless until Wayne Gross homered with one out in the ninth, and Joey McLaughlin got the last two outs.

Leading 3-0 heading into the sixth, Toronto put the game out of reach with six runs, highlighted by Upshaw's leadoff homer and a bases-clearing triple by Barry Bonnell.

The Blue Jays took a 2-0 lead in the second against starter Steve McCatty, 1-1.

Padres 3 Reds 1

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Tim Lollar allowed just four hits to win his first game since opening day and Steve Garvey belted his 10th home run and drove in two runs as the San Diego Padres beat the Cincinnati Reds 3-1 yesterday afternoon.

Lollar, who sat out three weeks with a sore left elbow earlier in the season, won his second game against four losses, striking out eight and walking three before being relieved by Sid Monge with a 2-0 lead and the bases loaded and two out in the eighth.

Monge walked Paul Householder to force in Alan Knicely with the Reds' run, then was replaced by John Montefusco who retiunder to second.

Garvey's ground ball scored Alan Wiggins with an insurance run in the eighth and Montefusco retired the side in the ninth, allowing one hit, to record his first save.

Twins 4 Rangers 3

ARLINGTON, Texas — Gary Ward, leading the American League in runs batted in, lashed an opposite-field home run in the top of the eighth inning last night to boost the Minnesota Twins to a 4-3 victory over the Texas Rangers.

Ward hit a 3-2 pitch from Rangers starter Danny Darwin, 4-6, over the right-field wall to open the eighth and give Minnesota its fourth consecutive victory. It was Ward's 12th homer and 46th RBI of the season.

Rick Lysander, 2-6, was the winner in relief of starter Bryan Oelkers. Ron Davis picked up his eighth save. The loss dropped the Rangers 2½ games behind first-place California in the West Division.

Navratilova cruises to easy win

By ANDREW WARSHAW
Associated Press Writer

EASTBOURNE, England — Martina Navratilova continued her domination of the $150,000 BMW women's grass court championships yesterday by cruising to a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Jo Durie, the new hope of British women's tennis.

Navratilova, the No. 1 women's player in the world who is defending her title here, moved into today's semifinals along with two other Americans, Tracy Austin and Zina Garrison, and Australia's Wendy Turnbull.

Turnbull advanced by upsetting second-seeded Andrea Jaeger 6-3, 6-2, while Austin stopped Beth Herr 7-5, 6-1 and Zina Garrison ousted Bettina Bunge of West Germany 6-3, 6-2.

Jaeger, who injured her right knee on Wednesday, seemed to lack concentration throughout the match. But she could do nothing about the match-winning game when Turnbull served two aces and produced a dazzling running forehand passing shots.

A packed crowd filled the center court at leafy Devonshire Park to see whether Durie, who reached the semifinals of the French championships earlier this month, could succeed against the Navratilova, the defending Wimbledon champion. Several games were close — there were nine deuces in the sixth game of the opening set — and the 22-year-old Briton had a number of game points.

But Navratilova, with great anticipation and enormous confidence, won the points that mattered.

In the fifth game of the second set, Durie hit four blistering service returns but still lost the game.

She broke Navratilova twice, but the pressure on her own service was too great as the top seed, in intimidating style, rushed to the net at every opportunity.

Navratilova has now dropped only 10 games in four matches here and looks invincible on grass.

Injured McEnroe insists he'll play

By GEOFFREY MILLER
AP Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — John McEnroe, the No. 2 seed in the Wimbledon tennis championships, nursed a painful shoulder injury yesterday but insisted he will play in the tournament which begins Monday.

"The shoulder is very sore and I don't know exactly what is wrong with it," McEnroe said. "I would like to give it a complete rest. But I would not default at Wimbledon, whatever happened.

"Wimbledon is so important that even if I lost in the first round and didn't win a point, I would prefer to turn up and take my chance."

McEnroe almost did not play in the French Open in Paris three weeks ago. He decided at the last minute to go ahead and compete, against the advice of a doctor.

He aggravated the injury in a fall during the final of the Stella Artois Championships at London's Queen's Club last week, when Jimmy Connors beat him in straight sets.

Cynthia Tucker, an osteopath who has been treating McEnroe, said: "It's the old story — you can't make anything heal more quickly than it wants to.

"John certainly has a problem, and it looks like a long-standing one."

The referee's office at Wimbledon said it had heard nothing officially about McEnroe.

"We have simply been told that he has shoulder trouble and would pull out if it was any other tournament but Wimbledon," a spokesman said.

McEnroe has been a finalist at Wimbledon for the last three years. He lost to Bjorn Borg in 1980, defeated Borg to capture the crown in 1981, and was beaten by Connors last year.

Meanwhile, Wimbledon issued a revised version of the men's singles draw, including winners in this week's qualifying tournament at Roehampton and three "lucky losers" who fill places left vacant by withdrawals.

Bernie Mitton of South Africa, a big server who has looked good on grass during the qualifying, will face third-seeded Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia in the opening round.

sports briefs

Garcia garners All-American status

Men's track team member, Rick Garcia, placed ninth in the 3,000 meter steeplechase with an 8:38.48 to win All-American status at the NCAA Championship in Houston, Tex., June 1-4.

Three other of Garcia's teammates also represented Penn State in Houston, but did not reach All-American status.

In the 800 meters, Randy Moore and Ken Wynn posted times of 1:48.68 and 1:49.56 respectively. High jumper Paul Souza had a leap of 7-1, but did not qualify.

It was a successful year for the Lions, however, as Head Coach Harry Groves was named District 2 Coach of the Year and Penn State also brought home its first Penn Relays championship in almost 20 years. —by Grace LoMonaco

Cremo selected to All-America team

Softball player Mary Ann Cremo was selected to the College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-America team on June 13.

Cremo, who won the Ernest McCoy Award earlier this year, carried a 3.86 grade point average in physical education. In addition, Cremo helped lead the softball team to a 25-13 record and an appearance in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament for the first time in 18 years.

Rose to coach at National Sports Festival

Women's volleyball coach Russ Rose will coach the East team at the National Sports Festival, June 19-July 3, at Colorado Springs, Col.

Two of Rose's players, sophomore Lori Berberich and incoming freshman Ellen Hensler, will also compete on the East squad.

The women's volleyball competition will be held the last week in June.

Under Rose, the Lady Lions of 1982 posted a 26-15 mark and earned a berth in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament. Penn State was led by middle hitter-blocker Berberich who garnered All-American honors. In his four year coaching career at Penn State, Rose has compiled a 136-40 record.

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Saturday, June 18,

France-Cinema, Truffaut, *The Last Metro*, 7 and 9 p.m., Room 112 Kern. Also June 20.

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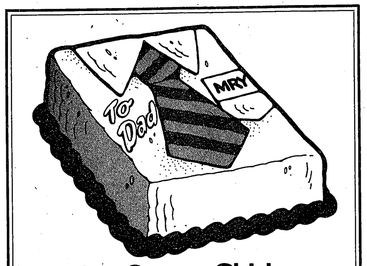

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