

Trojans rap Knights for seventh straight

Dallas downs Central, 8-6

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Undefeated Nanticoke Area, in preparation for the coming Wyoming Valley Baseball Play-offs, coasted to its seventh league victory by topping Lake-Lehman, 7-2, last Tuesday on the Dallas diamond. All of Nanticoke's seven runs were unearned as a result of some nine Lake-Lehman fielding blunders.

The Trojans broke open a scoreless ball game with a six-run third inning uprising. A porous Laker infield, especially on the left side, plus singles by Bob Burgas, Pete Warchol, Lou Volpecelli, and Steve Bilko accounted for most of the damage. A key blow in the big six-run frame was Bilko's bases-loaded single. The Trojans capped their scoring with a lone run in the fourth. All of Nanticoke's nine hits were singles although Frank Galicki and Mike Pantalone each unloaded long fly balls which were eventually hauled in by Laker outfielders.

Pitcher Bob Burgas, an 11-0 victor in an earlier meeting between the two teams, received some fine defensive support in claiming the win. The Knights did scratch his shut-out bid

with a pair of runs in the seventh, however. Gary Ide, Dave Eddy, Ron Sorber, and Todd Lozo each rapped Burgas for hits in the late rally while Dale Sponseller and Ide tallied the runs.

Dale Sponseller, the victim of seven unearned runs, caught many Trojan batsmen off balance with his breaking pitches despite dropping his third game in five decisions. A .538 stickhandler on the season, Dale also leads the Lakers in hitting. The Trojan's Steve Bilko, also soaring above the .500 plateau this year, rapped out 3 hits while Dennis Makarczyk and Bob Burgas each collected two safeties.

Both Sponseller and Burgas displayed excellent control as only one man was walked in the entire game. Don Spencer and Dave Eddy made some nifty grabs in the Laker outfield while Bill Kern played well, defensively at first base. Don Spencer and Dale Sponseller each extended their hot hitting streaks. They've both hit safely in six of Lake-Lehman's seven games this season.

Dallas High School unloaded its heavy artillery against Central Catholic in the first few innings of play, last Thursday afternoon at Kirby Park and, in one of its offensive showings, topped the Queensman, 8-6.

Bill Martin registered his fourth win as he worked six innings and was not in real trouble until the seventh. Mark Rogers finished up on the mound.

Central Catholic dominated the first inning, claiming the only run in the first.

Mark Rogers led the Dallas attack in the second inning out in front of a string of five runs, as Dick Morgan gave him the chance to come across the plate. Runs by Taylor, Martin and Belles, along with Martin's triple and Fedock's double sent Central's Yancheck to the bench to be replaced by Herrsher.

The Mountaineers continued its fine hitting, showing their ability to get on base with two runs scored in the third and fourth innings. Mountaineers getting hits were Dover, Belles, Fedock and Miller. Runs were registered by Fedock and Belles.

Martin, in the third and fourth, pitched two innings of no-hitters to the Queensmen, with one man, Piazza, getting on with a ground to third base.

The Queensmen woke up in the fifth after two had innings of play, and allowed four Mountaineers to step up to the plate.

Central's pitcher, Herrsher, claimed their first run in four innings, with the only hit of the fifth inning.

Dallas put the cap on the runs four the evening in the sixth when Jack Snyder came across the plate on Jimmy Miller's hit to left field, which claimed a double for him.

Martin needed relief help in the seventh after walking four Catholic men straight. Rogers took over and Sickler's shot to left field brought in three Central men. Kaschak was turned out at second. After Sickler came in, Collins' pop fly to Miller at short topped off the evening's contest. Dallas 8, Central Catholic 6.



Dave Merithew of Dallas tries to place among the winners in the high jump event at the District 2 meet at Wyoming Valley West stadium Friday night. Although Dave did not place here, he did take first in the javelin event. His teammates, Scott

Lefko and David Jones, won first and second in the high jump. Dallas won the Class B championship with 133 points. Dunmore took second with 77 and Crestwood, third with 31.

photo by Saffian

Jean led champs with top 591 series

The Imperiaettes wound up the 1968-69 bowling season at Crown Imperial Lanes last Sunday with Jean Agnew setting the pace in the championship play-off.

The contest was between Hozey-K, first half winners, and Gordon's Insurance, second half winners and the girls were out to make it a close one. Two games were close! Hozey-K piled up games of 707-696-707 for a total of 2110 pins. Gordon's team posted 710-711-770, a total of 2191.

Jean spilled 591 pins in three games for Gordon's, leading

the way for her team to become champions. Her games were 189-210-192.

Jean carried the highest average for the season—157.

Terry Morris chalked up a 171; Linda Wheeler hit 206; Liz Weale turned in a 170. For Gordon's, Velma Davis had 160, the only high game in addition to Jean's three.

Antique car buffs are getting their vehicles ready for the big date, Sunday, May 25, at Scandon Field, Kingston, where the Eighth Annual Antique Car Show will be held.

The whole family should enjoy the day. There will be entertainment, a ladies' fashion show, a shaded picnic area, refreshment stand, a model contest for the younger set and a "Big Flea Market."

longer sailboats

The Pennsylvania Fish Commission has increased the authorized length of sailboats permitted on Commission owned lakes of 100 acres or more from 14 feet to 17 feet.

A regulation requiring proof of ownership on boats to be registered has been adopted as a step in combating the stolen boat problem.

don't feed black bears

Black bears are seldom seen in Pennsylvania by the general public, but occasionally at this time of year a mother and her cubs are encountered. Often,

honored for safe driving

Two Back Mountain residents who are drivers for the Luzerne Lumber Company were honored recently for safe driving by Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association Insurance Company during ceremonies conducted in the executive offices of the lumber firm.

The "PMA Gold Award" given for ten years or more of safe driving was presented to Melbourne L. Carey, Claude Street, Dallas, and Wesley Lamoreaux, Chase.

The presentation was made under the direction of G. F. Fritzen, PMA loss consultant.

"These men should be commended for their fine achievement and for their outstanding contribution to traffic safety," said Mr. Fritzen.

a person is tempted to try to feed the cute creatures.

The Game Commission urges that bears never be fed, as there is always danger present when dealing with wild bruids.

finishes course Mounts are track kings with 3 new records

Army Private First Class James L. Carey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne L. Carey, 47 Claude St., Dallas, completed the electronic instrument repair course at the U.S. Army Southeastern Signal School, Ft. Gordon, Ga., April 11.

The 19-year-old soldier is a 1967 graduate of Dallas High School and attended Luzerne County Community College, Wilkes-Barre.

completes war exercises

Army Private William R. Swartwood, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Swartwood, Dallas, completed nine weeks of advanced infantry training March 28 at Ft. Polk, La. His last week of training was spent in guerrilla warfare exercises.

Pvt. Swartwood entered the Army in November, 1968, and was last stationed at Ft. Dix, N.J.

He graduated in 1964 from Dallas High School and received a B.S. degree in accounting in 1968 from Wilkes College.

The Dallas Senior High School track team repeated as District Two Class B champions Friday night when it scored 133 points in the meet at Wyoming Valley West stadium.

The Mountaineers set three new district records. The team of Gary Belles, Charles LaBerge, Pat Bidwell and Robert Samanas set a record in the mile relay. Charles LaBerge, Lance Wills, Pat Bidwell and Rick Martin, first in 9:05 in the two-mile relay, also set a new district record.

Clark Switzer, first in the triple jump, broke the record at 41 feet, 3 1/2 inches. Steven Goode was second.

Roy Supulski's 1966 record of 50.2 in the 440 still holds after Maurice Peoples of GAR just missed it in 50.3.

Dallas took nine other firsts. Jeremy Torr won the 220 yard dash; James Tupper was second. Gary Belles won the 440 in 53.6; Charles LaBerge took third.

John McClary did the two-mile run in 11:14; Harry Goer-

inger was third. The team of Jeremy Torr, James Tupper, Dave Merithew and Robert Samanas was first in the 880 yard relay.

David Jones took the high hurdles with Douglas Hess, second. Dave Merithew threw the javelin in 155 feet, 8 inches. Ernie Gelb was second.

Kenneth Engler went 10 feet, 6 inches in the pole vault event. Fred Adams and Gary Alters tied for second.

Scott Lefko took the high jump with David Jones, second. Frank Summa took first in the long jump.

The following boys will participate in the state meet at Penn State University, Saturday, May 24: Gary Alters, Gary Belles, Ken Engler, Ernest Gelb, Steve Goode, Douglas Hess, David Jones, Scott Lefko, John McClary, David Merthew, Frank Summa, Clark Switzer and Lance Wills.

powerlift at YMCA

High School area boys will be eligible to participate in the powerlift meet to be held at the Wilkes-Barre YMCA, May 24. Only high school students are eligible to compete in the following classes: 123, 132, 148, 165, 181, 198, and heavy weight—242.

The lifts contested will be the bench press, squat and dead lift. Trophies will be awarded to first, second and third place winners in all classes.

Entries may be obtained at the Wilkes-Barre YMCA; the deadline for all entries is May 21.

COWS

Cows should be let on lush pastures very slowly, says Joe Taylor, extension dairy specialist at The Pennsylvania State University. He warns that a sudden change from winter feeding to pasture feeding can cause mastitis. Feed some hay and grain before dairy cows go out to pasture each day early in the season.

full season at Camp Andrew

A program calendar comprised of many varied and interesting events to be conducted this season for the boys at Camp St. Andrew, Tunkhannock, has been arranged by Camp Director, Rev. Francis J. Houston.

Members of the Pennsylvania State Police will present an informational and educational program each week based upon their duties and activities.

Cadets representing the three service academies, West Point, Annapolis and Air Force Academy, will speak to the campers and exhibit movies relating to their specific military institution.

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents will visit and demonstrate the proper use of fire-arms on the camp firing range.

"Crazy Hat" and "Injun Joe" nightly festivities will be scheduled each week. Prizes will be awarded and campers are urged to participate in these traditional fun-and-fellowship events.

Robert L. Jones, GAR High School faculty member, will serve as Camp St. Andrew's program director for the upcoming season beginning June 28. Under his direction, other non-sport programs on the camp agenda include bingo, movies and competitive games conducted for the selection of "Camper of the Week."

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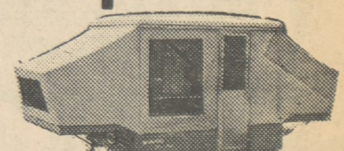
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