

Amherst Connie Macks Win, Play Again Friday

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JAMESTOWN, July 29 — The Amherst Connie Mack Little League team tonight defeated the Jamestown Nationals, 4-3, in a game continued from last night.

The victory qualifies the Con-

Connie Macks To Play At Waverly

Team Plays State
Sectionals Friday —
World Series Is Goal

The Amherst Connie Mack All Star team won the bi-district title on Tuesday evening by defeating the Jamestown Nationals 4-3 in a game which was carried over from the previous night because of rain. As a result of their Jamestown win, the Macks will play in the state sectionals on Friday at Waverly, with the game starting at 3:00 p. m. If victorious, they will play again Saturday.

If the team's winning streak continues, from Waverly they will go to the State play-offs at Watervliet, in suburban Albany, and then to the regional play-offs at Staten Island. Should they emerge the victors, they will play in the World Series at Williamsport, Pa.; if will be a true world series, for in addition to four regional teams from the U. S., there will be teams from Canada, Central America, Asia and Europe competing for the crown.

In the Jamestown game, the Mack All-Stars got off to a good start in the first inning by a 4-0 lead on Monday, when the game was halted by rain. The game was resumed Tuesday, with the Amherst contingent victors.

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nie Macks to play in the state sectionals at Waverly at 3 Friday afternoon. If victorious they will play again Saturday. A win then will put the Buffalo boys in the state championship tourney.

Connie Macks, District 1 Kings, jumped off to a quick 4-0 lead in the first inning of their game with Jamestown, District II champ. Pete Kerber, John Lehmann and Paul Wischerath singled and Tom Bobenread slammed a three-run homer.

The rains came and play was halted. A ruling from LL headquarters in Williamsport, Pa., required that play be resumed tonight from where it left off. And the four runs just held up.

Jim Milligan and Dick Bowen combined to pitch one-hit ball for the winners but four errors hurt them. Terry Mulleavy, son of the former Bison shortstop, Greg Mulleavy, pitched for Jamestown and got their only hit, driving in one run.

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Amherst Wins, 2-1, In LL Sectionals

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WAVERLY, Aug. 1 — John Lehmann and Tom Bobenread led the Amherst Connie Macks to a 2-1 victory over the Batavia Americans today in the opening game of the state sectionals of the Little League playoffs.

Lehmann gave the Macks a 1-0 lead with a first-inning homer, his fifth in the last six games. It was also the fourth time he homered in the first inning.

Bobenread pitched 5½ innings of hitless ball before the opposing pitcher, Sam Guarino, lined a single over first base on a two-strike pitch. He stole second and came around to score on an error.

An error also allowed the Connie Macks to tally their second run.

In the fourth inning Jim Milligan walked, stole second and moved to third on a passed ball. He crossed the plate when Paul Vallas grounded sharply to the shortstop, who muffed the ball.

The Macks were District 1 champs and Batavia took top honors in District III.

Connie Macks Win District One Title

Little League Team Brings Top Honors To Town

The Amherst Connie Mack Little League All-Stars brought top honors to the town and earned their first District championship, when they defeated the Tonawanda All-Stars 8-0. This climaxed a week of tournament victories and they have now reached the first step in the ladder to World Series Play at Williamsport.

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After the initial win at Grand Island, the flip of the coin brought the Connie Macks home to their Burroughs Drive stadium, where they gained a 5-2 win over Kensington All-Stars. John Lehmann got the team off again with another home run in the first inning, for the second straight time. In the second, 4 hits produced 3 runs, 2 driven in by John Farmer and the other by Paul Wiscerath. Paul Vallas homered in the sixth completing the scoring. Pete Kerber spaced 7 hits allowing one homer by Rob Fredericks of Kensington and the second run came off three singles in the third to finish Kensington's scoring.

The semi-final contest brought N. Tonawanda Americans All-Stars to Snyder and they were turned back, with a 5-3 loss. Lehmann doubled in the first to drive in two runs and was in turn sent home by Tom Bobenread's single. John Farmer singled home Paul Vallas with what proved to be the winning run in the 4th, although Lehmann's second double, Jim Milligan's single and an error gave the Connie Macks another tally in the sixth. Dick Bowen meanwhile was hurling a steady 4 hit game, striking out 9, and giving a poised performance as his mate's errors accounted for all three runs.

In the championship contest, Tonawanda All-Stars were set down 8-0. John Lehmann opened the ball game with a homer in the first inning (third time in 4 games) and again blasted one in the third with two on to provide Tom Bobenread with runs to spare. Johnny and Pete Kerber each singled runs home in the fifth, while Bobby Lukas "Luked" one over the fence in the sixth with one on to complete the scoring. Bobenread was in complete charge on the hill as he scattered 4 hits, received errorless support, and struck out 11 for a total of 24 in two tourney games pitched.

The Macks will play Johnson City at 3 tomorrow afternoon. The winner will qualify for the state championship tournament next week. Johnson City defeated Waterloo today, 9-5.

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