

Charles Town Beats Clarksburg By 10-6

Surprising Panthers Meet Huntington Central In Semi-Finals In Charleston Tonight

The unpredictable Purple Panthers of Charles Town High School came through with a story-book finish, scoring seven runs in the final inning, to defeat Clarksburg Roosevelt-Wilson 10-6 in the opening round of the West Virginia Scholastic Baseball Championship last night at Charleston.

The win put Charles Town in the semi-finals and tonight at 9 o'clock the Jefferson county lads will meet Huntington Central, victors over St. Albans, to decide which team will face the winner of the Newell-Williamson tilt for the State championship Saturday.

Score Three In Fourth

Coach Harold "Zip" Lorenz' aggregation, which scored three runs in the fourth inning to take a short lived lead, had to come from behind to win after Clarksburg tallied all six of its runs in the bottom half of the fourth on just three hits.

Melvin "Whip" Zombro, sturdy right-hander for the Panthers, pitched a brilliant game, but was hurt severely by shoddy support in the clutch. The lanky hurler allowed only three hits and walked but two men as he went the distance to record a well-deserved victory. All the runs scored off him were unearned.

Not content with his pitching feats, the vesatile baseball star pounded R-W pitching for four consecutive hits, including a single in the last-inning rally, to take batting honors for the day. One of his hits was a long three-bagger in the fourth inning.

In reaching the semi-finals of the state tourney, Charles Town has had to win five consecutive games and last night was the closest they have come to tasting defeat in any of the encounters.

Smith Probable Starter

Lorenz is expected to start A. Smith against Huntington Cen. tonight but if the going gets rough, Zombro will be ready for duty again. He was listed as the possible starter for the game while Don Whitmore who relief pitched for Hunt. in the St. Albans game, will be on hand for that team.

Wells High of Newell and Williamson's Wolfpack, only undefeated teams remaining in the playoffs, will play each other in the initial game tonight beginning at 7 o'clock. The Newell team, which defeated Beckley in the opening round by a 2-0 score, sports a 14-0 record while Williamson, victor over St. Mary's by a 7-1 count in

Charles Town. 000 300 7-10
R-W 000 600 0-6

Errors—Longerbeam, Zombro, Crowley, Colombo, Payton, Kelly. Runs batted in—Whittington, Strider, Mills, Boyd, Zombro, Crowley, Lopez. Three base hits—Zombro, Crowley. Two base hit—Whittington. Stolen bases—Seti, Lopez, Kelly Payton, Sager, Strider. Sacrifice—Strider. Left on bases—Charles Town 4 R-W. 5. Bases on balls off—Kelly 2, Zombro 2, Struck out by Kelly 6 Zombro 3. Hit by pitcher, by Kelly (Owens). Wild pitch—Kelly, Zombro. Passed balls—Lopez 2, Umpides Howell, Bordok and Noyes.

(1st Game)

Beckley 000-000-0 0-5-1
Newell 100 100-x 2-4-1

Carl Legurski and Jim Turner; Stan Franczek and Ron Stephens.

(2nd Game)

Williamson 104 002 0 7-9-3
Saint Marys .. 000 010 0 1-3-6

Gaston Jude and Doc Hall; Ted Cummings and Ralph Locke.

Huntington Cen. 502 000 0 7-5-4
Saint Albans 000 320 0 5-5-5

Bob Dunlap, Jim Samples (1), Bob Dunlap (4) (cf) and Ted Bishop; Dave Caldwell, Don Whitmore (5) and Bert McCormick.

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Scouts from Big Leagues

Scouts from at least seven major league clubs witnessed the proceedings last evening. They were representing the Brooklyn Dodgers, Chicago Cubs, Boston Braves, St. Louis Cardinals, Philadelphia Phillies, Chicago White Sox and Philadelphia Athletics.

The boxscore:

Charles Town	Ab.	R.	H.	O.	A.
Longerbeam, 2b	4	0	0	1	0
Boyd, cf	4	0	0	3	0
Zombro, p	4	2	4	1	3
Whittington, 1b	3	2	1	7	0
Owens, rf	3	2	1	1	0
Strider, 3b	3	1	1	1	2
Crowley, c	4	1	1	3	1
Sager, ss	4	1	2	1	2
Smith, lf	2	1	0	3	0
Totals	31	10	10	21	8

R-W	Ab.	R.	H.	O.	A.
Colombo, 3b	4	0	0	0	0
Payton, 2b	3	1	1	2	1
Seti, cf	3	1	0	1	0
Mills, ss	4	1	1	1	3
Lopez, c	4	1	0	5	3
Krivosky, rf	3	1	0	0	0
Carter, lf	3	0	0	2	0
Kelly, p	3	1	0	0	3
Krivosky, 1b	3	0	1	10	1
Totals	36	6	3	21	11