

SPORTS

Tigers Win; Denison Next

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(Sports Editor)

Carroll kept their Midwest Conference record clean at 9-0 here Monday night, turning back Perry, 6-1, to set-up Wednesday night's showdown against the second-place Monarchs at Denison.

Southpaw Eric Siemer breezed to his third victory of the season against no setbacks, limiting the third-place Bluejays to three hits and striking out nine.

The Tigers, 13-1 overall, managing only two hits, both by left fielder Jerry Hamers, but took advantage of wildness by Perry starting pitcher Randy Shirbourn who walked nine in 4 and two-thirds innings and also

had two wild pickoff attempts that scored a run.

Perry grabbed a short-lived 1-0 lead in the second as Shirbourn reached base on a throwing error and stole second. He came around to score on Pete Lester's sharp single up the middle.

The Tigers evened things in their second as Mark Steffes walked and stole second, but he was thrown out trying to steal third.

Carroll's run scored as Jim Molitor was hit by a pitch. Shirbourn tried to pick off Molitor at first, but his toss was wild, sending the Tiger catcher to third. Moments later, Shirbourn tried to pick Molitor off again, but that too was wild, sending home

Molitor.

Carroll wrapped things up in the third, scoring three times on just one hit.

Jim Petersen walked with one out and Siemer received a base on balls with two down. Then Hamers, who entered the game hitting .324, drilled a single to center to score Petersen which proved to be the winning run.

Steffes then hit a grounder to short, but the throw to first was wild and Siemer and Hamers scored for a 4-1 bulge.

Carroll got their final two runs in the fifth as Siemer walked, Hamers singled and Steffes walked to load the bases with no outs. Then Molitor and Todd Pettitt walked to bring home Siemer

and pinch-runner Gary Luchtel.

Tiger Notes:

"The kids looked a little tired," commented Carroll Head Coach Ted Edwards afterwards. "But I thought Siemer pitched well, walking only one batter."

The Tiger coach also cited Hamers for his two hits and Molitor for calling a good game behind the plate.

Siemer has now worked 32 innings, allowing just 13 hits and eight earned runs. He has fanned 39.

Pettitt leads the Tiger staff in wins with six. Tom Reiman and Siemer are 3-0 and Edwards 1-0.

Prior to the Perry contest, five Tigers were hitting over

.300. They were Siemer at .380, Petersen at .348; Buck at .325; Hamers at .324 and Edwards at .323.

Siemer led in hits with 16 and in runs batted in with 15. Petersen led in runs scored with 15.

Box Score:

Perry

Tice, LF-RF	3	0	1	0
Overton, SS	3	0	0	0
Lapp, C	3	0	0	0
Royer, DH	3	0	0	0
Shirbourn, P-1B	3	1	1	0
Tierney, 1B	2	0	0	0
Raner, P	0	0	0	0
Sheeder, PH	1	0	0	0
Lester, 3B	2	0	1	1
Zagar, CF	3	0	0	0
Seelye, RF	1	0	0	0
Ingram, 2B	2	0	0	0

Dunphy, 2B-LF	0	0	0	0
Totals	26	1	3	1

Carroll

Buck, CF	4	0	0	0
Petersen, 3B	2	1	0	0
Edwards, 1B	4	0	0	0
Siemer, P	1	2	0	0
Hamers, LF	3	1	2	1
Luchtel, PR	0	1	0	0
Steffes, RF	1	0	0	0
Molitor, C	0	1	0	1
Pettitt, SS	2	0	0	1
Reiman, 2B	2	0	0	0
Totals	19	6	2	3

By Innings:

Perry 010 000 0-1
Carroll 013 020 x-6
Errors — Perry 4, Carroll 2.
Left on Base — Perry 5, Carroll 7.

Pitching Summary:

Shirbourn (LP)	4.1	2.9	6.6	3
Raner	2.2	0.0	1.0	0
Siemer (WP)	7.3	1.6	1.0	0



Called Out —
Perry's Pete Lester gets ready to put the tag on Carroll's Mark Steffes at third base during Monday night's Midwest Conference game here. Steffes was called out on the play, but the Tigers won, 6-1, to send their league mark to 9-0, heading into Wednesday's showdown at Denison.

Pate Has Done it All; Dent Captures VIP

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — "I've played basketball, football, shot pool," says new U.S. Open champion Jerry Pate. "I've done it all. Women. But to me, golf is everything."

Just last week, the 22-year-old was hoping he'd luck out and be invited to the Amana VIP pro-amateur golf tournament here Monday.

But Pate's instant acceleration from obscurity with his first PGA victory made him the big attraction in Iowa City.

"I bet I signed 2,000 autographs," the contented youngster said after shooting a four-under-par 68 on the University of Iowa's Finkbine course.

He didn't win the Amana, but his score was just two shots off the pace.

before winning it. But the only way to be 100 per cent satisfied with golf is to win every tournament for two or three months.

"There's always the day when you shoot 62, then think back and say, 'If I'd just hit that one putt, I'd have shot a 61.'"

"This is a game where you think you never can achieve the highest spot."

Pate said he would enter the British Open in July.

The 10th annual Amana VIP was claimed by Jim Dent in a sudden-death playoff involving six of the 40 pros entered.

Tied at 66, six under par on the 6,837-yard course, at the end of 18 holes were Dent, Frank Beard, Mark Hayes, Mason Rudolph, defending Amana titlist Bobby Mitchell and 1974 champion Charles Coody.

In the playoff, Dent and Beard birdied the first hole as the other four fell out with par fours.

On the 520-yard No. 2, Dent drove 345 yards, hit the green with an eight iron and dropped a 25-foot putt for an eagle.

Beard finished with a birdie four.

Dent joined the tour in 1971 and the Amana marked his

first victory. The \$3,000 for first place "is still money even if it isn't the tour," said Dent.

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Here is the scoring in the \$25,000 Amana VIP golf tournament Monday on the 6,837-yard, par 72 Finkbine Course:

xJim Dent	33-33-66
xFrank Beard	32-34-66
xMark Hayes	33-33-66
xMason Rudolph	31-35-66
xBobby Mitchell	34-32-66
xCharles Coody	34-32-66
George Archer	32-35-67
Leonard Thompson	33-35-68
Larry Ziegler	36-32-68
DeWitt Weaver	35-33-68

Jerry Pate 33-35-68
Billy Casper 34-34-68
John Mahaffey 35-33-68
Bob Goalby 35-34-69
Roger Maltbie 35-34-69
Bobby Nichols 35-34-69
Tommy Jacobs 35-34-69
Rod Funseth 35-34-69
Tom Watson 32-37-69
Lou Graham 35-34-69
Dave Stockton 36-34-70
Gibby Gilbert 33-37-70
Don Iverson 33-37-70
Ben Crenshaw 34-36-70
Bruce Devlin 35-35-70
Bill Collins 36-36-72
Dale Douglass 36-36-72
Bud Allin 36-36-72
Ernie Boros 36-36-72
J.C. Snead 33-39-72
Miller Barber 35-37-72
Homer Blancas 35-37-72
Tom Kite 38-35-73
Gene Littler 37-37-74
Don Bies 36-38-74
Julius Boros 36-38-74
Jerry Heard 38-36-74
Bert Yancey 38-36-74
x denotes playoffs

Midwest Conference Baseball Standings

Conf.	W.	L.
Carroll	9	0
Denison	8	1
Perry	6	3
Audubon	5	4
Sac City	2	6
Lake City	2	6
Jefferson	2	6
Manning	0	8

Wednesday's Games —
Carroll at Denison
Jefferson at Audubon
Lake City at Sac City
Manning at Perry

Monday's Results —
Carroll 6, Perry 1
Denison 9, Sac City 4
Audubon 15, Manning 14
Jefferson 7, Lake City 2

Blancas Against Big Golf Courses

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — "Golf is suppose to be finesse," laments Homero Blancas. "But it's not finesse the way we play it now."

Other pro golfers agree, some don't.

"I'm against big greens and big golf courses which just favor one guy — the long hitter," Blancas continued. "We're getting away from the concept of short courses."

Ben Crenshaw, who finished third in the 1975 U.S. Open and tied for eighth in this year's classic, said he's an "astute fan" of golf course architecture.

"The courses built in the last 20 years are of poor quality," he noted. "They are big, with long greens like football fields. They are no fun. Golf is a game of accuracy."

Bobby Mitchell, second in the 1972 Masters, doesn't agree with Crenshaw.

hit it again and you are on the green.

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Carew Not Worried About .309 Average

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (AP) — Where are you, Rod Carew?

The man generally considered the best hitter in baseball isn't among the Top Ten hitters in the American League one-third of the way through the season, but he's hardly worried.

Carew was hitting .309 through games of Sunday for the Minnesota Twins — 19 points below his lifetime average and almost 100 points below where he was a year ago at this time. It was also nearly 40 points behind Detroit's Ron LeFlore, who was leading the AL.

"I'm hitting the ball," Carew said. "For a while this spring I didn't feel real good at the plate, the bat wasn't comfortable in my hands and I wondered if playing a new position was affecting my hitting."

The 30-year-old Carew was moved to first base this year by new manager Gene Mauch after nine seasons at second base.

"Sure, the switch is taking time," continued Carew, who has developed into a dependable, if not standout first baseman.

"Listen, I don't have anything to prove to anybody," Carew said. "Sure, I'd like to

Manning Girls to 9-1 Mark

Manning's High School girls' softball team upped their record to 9-1 Monday night with a 13-6 victory at Audubon.

Karie Haskins pitched a three-hitter in gaining her seventh win against one loss.

Last Friday night, Manning took a twin bill from Lake City, 15-2, in the opener that lasted four innings and 19-1 in the second game which went five innings.

In the opener, Donna Sturm was the winning pitcher. She also had two home runs. Teammate Debbie Wagner also homered.

In the nightcap, Manning pounded out 19 hits in support of Haskins' three-hit pitching and four strikeouts.

Becky Rowedder led the winners with four hits. Sturm and Kathy Willenborg added three-hits apiece and Haskins and Norine Felker chipped in with two hits.

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Swims 125 Miles

Walter Poenisch swam 125 miles in the Gulf Stream off the Florida Keys, breaking his own long-distance ocean swim.

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