

Palmer Favorite In British Open

St. Andrews, Scotland — (UPI) — Peter Alliss of England and British Amateur champion Joe Carr of Ireland turned in record scores today in the opening qualifying round in the British Open golf championship.

Alliss, a member of Britain's Ryder Cup team, fired a seven under par 66 to break the old course record at hallowed St. Andrews while Carr turned in a 68 to establish a new amateur standard for the same course.

Patterson, Stich Get NBA Honor

Providence, R.I. — (UPI) — Heavyweight Champion Floyd Patterson and Rudolph Stich, late welterweight contender, are co-winners of the National Boxing Association's "Boxer-of-the-Month" award, announced today.

Releasing its latest ratings, the NBA said Patterson had won his award by becoming the first man ever to recapture the world heavyweight crown in his knockout victory over Sweden's Ingemar Johansson on June 20.

Stich of Louisville, Ky., was honored with the award for his heroic death by drowning last month while trying to save the life of a companion.

Johansson was dropped to second place among the heavy contenders, one notch beneath Sonny Liston of Philadelphia.

Carmen Basilio of Chittenango, N.Y., sank to ninth among middleweight aspirants because of his second knockout by champion Gene Fullmer in their return title fight last Friday.

Fullmer holds the NBA version of the split 160-pound crown.

Littler Skids In Buick Golf

Flint, Mich. — (UPI) — Gene Littler became fallible on the back nine yesterday and the sudden skid threw the \$52,000 Buick Open into a wild scramble as the field headed into today's fourth and final round.

Littler, who flawlessly played through the first 47 holes of the tournament without a bogey, was in front all alone at the nine-hole turn yesterday.

But pressure finally got to the 29-year-old Navy veteran from Singing Hills, Calif., and after going two under par with a birdie on 10, he bogied four of the next eight holes for a 73 and a 54-hole total of 212, four under par.

Locked in a tie for first with Littler were Don Janu-rodolph with 72, Mason Rudolph with 71, and Gay Brewer Jr., who fired a three under 69 yesterday.

Player Plane Crash Warning Turns Out Hoax

New York — (UPI) — An airplane bomb scare gave the traveling New York Yankees and Detroit Tigers a few anxious moments Sunday night and brought out some of manager Jimmy Dykes' best humor.

Just before the two teams were scheduled to take off in separate chartered planes, an anonymous caller telephoned La Guardia Field and said, "the airplane carrying the ballplayers is going to crash."

A thorough inspection of the plane's compartments and the passengers' luggage proved the call to be a hoax.

The Yankees were bound for Washington; the Tigers headed home.

"Why would anyone want to 'bomb us'?" asked the Tigers' chubby skipper. "We haven't hurt anybody lately."

Myers Defeats Estey in SWO

Coos Bay — (UPI) — Kent Myers of Salem defeated Portland's Dick Estey Sunday in the quarterfinals of the Southwest Oregon Golf tournament here, 2-up.

Others gaining today's semifinal round were Dick Hansen of Coos Bay, Darryl Winn of Eugene and Sully Close of Prineville.

RETURNS TO DUTY

Philadelphia — (UPI) — Outfielder John Callison, who has been sidelined with a knee injury since Memorial Day, was restored to the Philadelphia Phillies' active roster Saturday and infielder Joe Koppe replaced him on the disabled list.

Crater Cub Nine Trips Albany 6-2

Central Point Crater Cubs piled up three runs in the fifth inning with the aid of just one hit to turn the tide against the Albany Reds last night at Cheney field.

The Cubs won the opener in a two-game junior baseball series 6-2. These two summer recreation diamond crews were to meet at 1 p.m. today at Memorial stadium, White City.

Central Point's state junior association defending champs had four-hit pitching by Pat Pepper, who struck out eight batters and walked just three.

Ron Williamson, pint-sized hurler for the Reds, held the Cubs to three safe blows but he issued 11 bases on balls.

Ron Malone, Albany, was the only player with more than one hit. He doubled twice.

The clubs were deadlocked 2-all when Crater went to bat in the bottom of the fifth frame.

In the inning the Cubs got the benefit of four bases on balls and an error. Pepper helped his own cause with a sacrifice flyout by Pepper, two bases on balls, a fielder's option, two pilfered bases by Alvarez and a steal by Darrell Summerfield.

The Reds knotted the mix in the fourth session on a base on balls, an error on a fielder's choice and a single by Marv Anderson. Central Point put over its final tally in the sixth stanza on a walk and stolen base by Sharp and a two-bagger by Steve Isaacs.

Another run would have scored had not Isaacs been caught trying to swipe third base. The three batters who followed him all drew bases on balls.

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Chavez Ravine Battle Ending

Los Angeles — (UPI) — The battle of Chavez ravine, which looked for a while like it might make the 100-Years War a mere incident, was all but over Saturday.

After three years of squabbling, the city council Friday took the final step toward giving the Coliseum-shackled Los Angeles Dodgers title to some 300 acres of land in Chavez ravine by authorizing the start of escrow proceedings.

The council, by a 10-5 vote, adopted an ordinance to turn the land near the Civic center over to the transplanted baseball club for the building of an ultra-modern, 252,500-seat stadium.

Following the vote, Jack Young of the Vinnell Construction company, which has the contract to build the \$12 million baseball emporium, said there was a chance the stadium might be ready for use during the 1981 season.

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