

Oilers off to hot start

The crownwell Oilers are off to a jackrabbit start at the 12-team national junior men's softball championship in St. Catharines, Ont.

Oilers opened with a 2-0 win over Saskatchewan, as Ron Laschowsky and Earle Laforte checked Saskatchewan on two hits and Ross Yaremchuk rapped a homer.

Today Oilers meet New Brunswick and B.C. The qualifying concludes Friday with playoffs Saturday and Sunday.

Crown down

Victoria A's, representing British Columbia, blanked the Crownwell Royals 2-0 in the opening playoff round of the Canadian junior men's softball championship yesterday in St. Catharines, Ont.

The loss eliminated the Alberta champs, who managed four hits against the A's. Crownwell had qualified eighth overall with a 2-2 won-lost record in the round robin portion of the tournament.

Hosts one of three undefeated

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Three teams remain undefeated after the second day of qualifying round-robin play in the Canadian Junior Men's Softball Championships at Lancaster Park yesterday.

Newfoundland's St. John Junior 50's and the host team, St. Catharines Cleland Junior A's, are tied with 3-0 records while the Ontario provincial champions, North York Northminister United, are 2-0.

Newfoundland downed Manitoba's Pine Falls, Fort Alexander Aeros 6-1 while St. Catharines defeated the Cupar Dash Tours of Saskatchewan 11-2 and Ontario edged the Charlottetown, P.E.I. Junior Fawcetts 3-2.

Newfoundland got all but one of its players in yesterday's victory over the family-loaded Manitoba's Pine Falls, Fort Alexander Aeros. But it wasn't certainly wasn't because of a pitching problem. The 50's hurlers are stingy and Arnold Kelly struck out six in five innings to get the his

second win. He has fanned 16 in 12 innings while stablemate Jim Murphy (2-0) has 11 in seven. Bill Windsor, the 50's leading hitter with a .571 tournament average, had two singles in two trips. Vern Guimond, one of eight Guimonds on the roster, took the loss.

The North York squad got a homer and a triple from John Kemp while Mike Sedore struck out 14. Ken Gormley took the Prince Edward Island loss.

Alberta's Edmonton Crown Well Juniors, P.E.I. and British Columbia's Victoria Junior Athletics have 2-1 records.

Alberta split yesterday's games. They defeated New Brunswick 4-1 led by Ross Yaremchuk's fourth inning two-out solo homer. Then, in the day's finale with only the most dedicated still watching, they were handed a 9-0 drubbing by B.C.