

High School Nines Decide City Championship Today

THE big event of the prep baseball season is on tap today for Cardinal field, when the McClatchy Lions and the Christian Brothers Gaels meet to decide the city championship. The teams have faced each other four times to date, each winning a pair. The game will start at 3:30 p. m., admission free to public.

Coaches Jack Woerner of McClatchy and Brother Bertram of the Gaels sent their charges through brief drills on the Solon field yesterday afternoon and then decided their starting lineups for the title fray.

Knezovich Gets Call

The Lion head man announced his pitching selection was a toss-up between George Vernatchi and Bill Hampton. Al Knezovich was definitely named to start for the Brothers.

Vernatchi, with a win and a loss over the Gaels, and a brilliant shut-out victory pitched against the Sacramento junior college nine, has the edge on the starting chore. Hampton holds a victory over the Gaels, too, a one-hitter, and this may prompt Woerner to send the right-hander against the Irish again.

Knezovich, who has been the stabilizer in the Gael scheme of things through the season, playing in the outfield as well as on the rubber, has beaten the Lions once before. Don McKenzie, Al's receiver today, checked the other win over McClatchy.

In the hitting department both teams are even up. Good stickers for the Lions include: Ray Gallagher, Carl Tomei, Bob Carder, Lou Gregorio and John Gaudio, but most anyone in the lineup has a hit or two in the clutch.

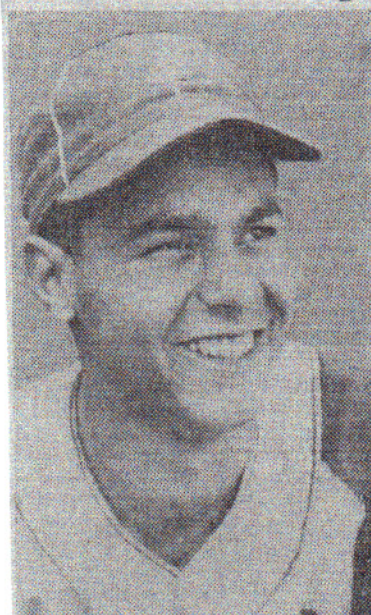
Dangerous batters for the Irish are Gil Urbano, Bob Barbeau, Frank Raton, John Boroja, who has switched his stance to come on as able hitter; Bob McKenzie and Knezovich.

Starting lineups are:

McClatchy: Carl Tomei, c; Vernatchi or Hampton, p; Bob Carder, 1b; Ray Gallagher, 2b; Glenn Ferry, ss; Lou De Gregorio, 3b; Bud Faughnan, lf; Ray Voss, cf; Frank Rios, cf.

Brothers: Al Tony Stanbuck, cf; Clyde Haskell, ss; Gil Urbano, 1b; John Boroja, lf; Frank Raton, 3b; Bob them, rf; Bob Barbeau, 2b; Don McKenzie, c, and Al Knezovich, p.

Baits Lions Today



AL KNEZOVICH, Gael pitcher, named on the Union's all-city team, will face the Lions today for prep title at Cardinal field.

Brothers Take Baseball Title

The Christian Brothers School won the city prep baseball title by defeating the C. K. McClatchy High School nine, 1 to 0, in 12 innings yesterday at Cardinal Field. It was the fifth meeting between the two teams, each having won two.

The winning tally was squeezed home by the Irish, Gil Urbano reached second on a hit and an error by Ray Gallagher at second base. After Bob Barbeau fanned John Boroja hit to Glenn Ferry and the Lions' shortstop threw to third in an effort to get Urbano. Louie DeGregorio, Lions' third sacker, got the ball in time, but figuring he had a force play he failed to touch the runner and all hands were safe. Frank Raton bunted Urbano home.

Al Knezovich for the Brothers and George Vernatchi for the Lions pitched exceptional ball giving up but six and five hits respectively. Clyde Haskell handled 12 chances at shortstop for the winners. Buster Habecker and Urbano were the hitting stars. Glenn Ferry and Bob Carder did the rapping for the losers.

Lions	0	6	1
Brothers	1	5	6

Batteries: Vernatchi and Tomei; Knezovich and McKenzie.