

# Ohio uses 16 hits, 20 runs to roll past West Virginia in OVAC game

The Ohio All-Stars pounded out 16 hits and put up nine runs in the eighth inning en route to rolling past their West Virginia counterpart, 20-7, Wednesday night in the OVAC Baseball All-Star game at Perkins Field in Brookside.

Ohio scored three runs in each of the first two innings and added a solo spot in the third. The Buckeye state added a trifecta in the fourth frame and tallied one more in the fourth.

West Virginia, meanwhile, pounded out 14 hits but was victimized by eight errors. The Mountain state scored two runs in the second and three in third with single runs in the fifth and eighth frames.

The Buckeye state used six pitchers on the evening with Bellaire High stand-out Chris Ofat gaining the start. He went two innings with four strikeouts and one walk.

Caldwell's Brian Schehl was next to toe the rubber for Ohio, going entering in the third and pitching two innings with three strikeouts and no walks.

Union Local's Robert Steadman entered in the fifth and tossed two innings with one strikeout and no walks, while Shadyside ace Matt Stottlemeyer came on in the

seventh and pitched one inning with three strikeouts and one walk.

Frontier's Glynn Goodwin pitched the eighth inning, before Buckeye Local standout Larry Boroski pitched the ninth with two strikeouts and no walks.

West Virginia used seven pitchers on the night.

Leading the Buckeyes at the plate was Chris Schloss of Steubenville with a home run and a single with four RBI. Goodwin added two singles and plated two runs, while Edison's David Gorby singled and tripled.

Rob Crowe, also of the Big Red, added a double and a single at the plate.

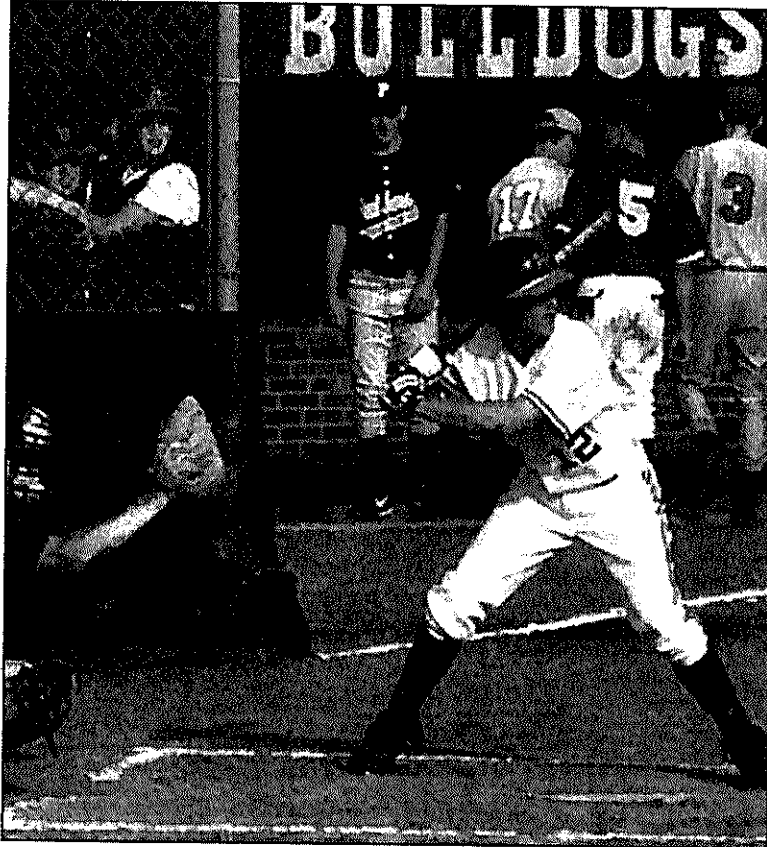
West Virginia received a two-run home run from Linsly slugger Dan Stephens. His Cadet teammate, Ryan Saari, also homered and singled with two runs batted in.

Wheeling Park's David Van Camp donated a double and two singles.

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West Virginia 023 010 010 - 7 14 8  
BATTERIES: Ofat, Schehl (3), Steadman (5), Stottlemeyer (7), Goodwin (8), Boroski (9), and Gorby, Crowe (4), Emery (7); LaFlam, Moninger (3), Richmond (5), Cross (6), Saari (8), King (8), Cross (9) and Van Camp, Birkheimer.



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**TOP PHOTO:** Union Local's Robert Steadman awaits a pitch during Wednesday night's OVAC All-Star Baseball Game at Bridgeport.

**RIGHT PHOTO:** Scampering back to first base is St. John Central standout Josh Shutler.

