

College baseball team dominates Brown Mackie College Saturday

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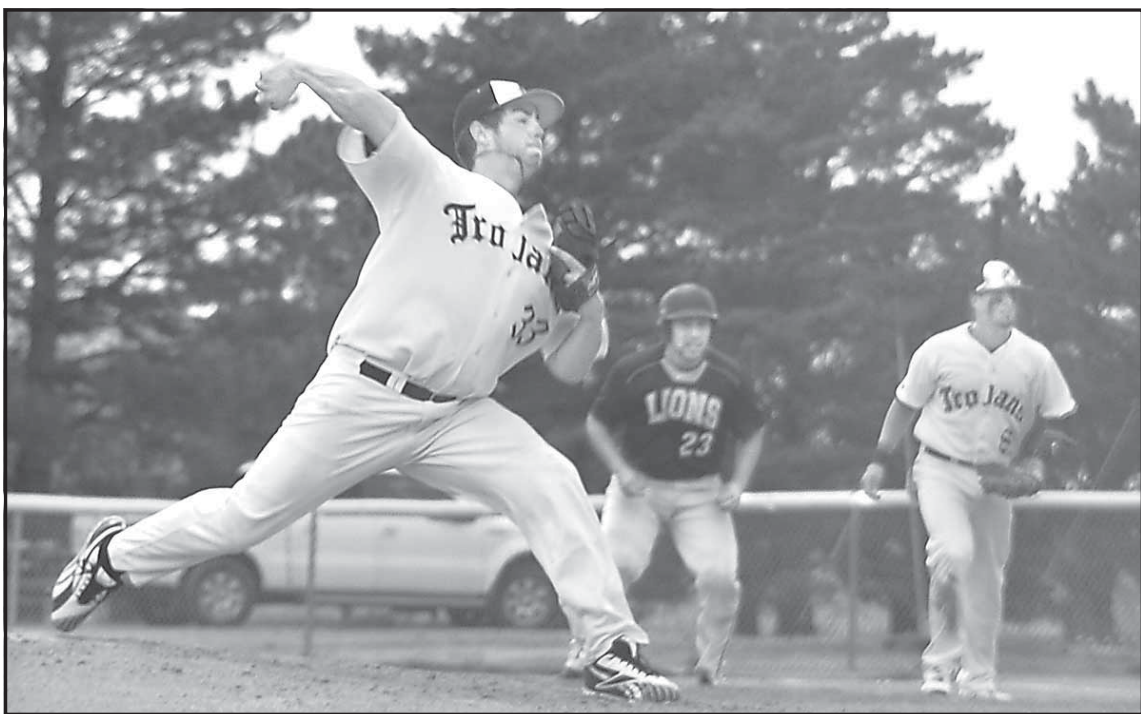
The Colby Community College baseball team dominated the Brown Mackie Lions in a double header here Saturday afternoon. The Trojans came out swinging and scored 4 runs in the first inning of both games. They wound up with 10 runs in each game, winning 10-2 in the first and 10-5 in the second.

By the end of the first inning in the first game, the score was as close as it was going to get, with 4 runs for Colby to Brown Mackie's 1.

The Trojans largely stole and walked their way around the diamond in that game, while the Lions generally did not get around the field at all. Infielder Daniel Bolte, for instance, got to first, and then stole his way to home, one base at a time, in the second inning. Hunter Brown, an outfielder, was tagged out as he tried to steal home, but the game was all but over by the end that inning, the score 7-1.

Daniel Mackay pitched the first five innings of for the Trojans, Andres Gimeno took over in the fifth, and Garth Helton finished up the game in the seventh. The Lions were three up and three out in the fifth inning, and in the second, fourth and sixth, they got one runner to first and no further. Ryan Ihle at second base and Fitley Perez at first for Colby helped keep Brown Mackie from moving around the bases with a double play in the sixth.

Emanuel Sanchez, second baseman and shortstop for the Lions, got on base several times, but



Freshman Daniel Mackay pitched the first five innings of the first game of a double header Saturday against the Brown Mackie Lions. Mackay kept the Lions to two runs, and Colby dominated the game, 10-2.

made little headway after that. He made it to third in the top of the seventh and might have picked up Brown Mackie's third run, but Trojan Jacob Nath caught a foul ball just outside of left field to end the first game.

The Lions came only slightly closer to evening the score in game two, but the Trojans were still on top of their game, scoring seven runs in the first three innings.

Matt Benn and Ihle both hit doubles, one after the other, in the third. Benn hit a long fly that almost hit the fence in center field. They both ran home the next play to rack up the Trojan's only two runs for that inning.

Brown Mackie did a much better job getting on base in game two, though, and the visitors had a small comeback in the fourth. Trojans pitcher Nick Silva loaded up the bases twice in that inning; he hit the first two batters and walked a third before Colby had made a single out. Three Lions ran home before that inning ended, although it was the last time they would score. Silva, who had been on the mound for Colby up until that point, was replaced by Daniel Quintana.

Nath was tagged out when he tried to steal second in the bottom of the fourth. Ihle hit another double in the fifth, but nothing came of it.

The Trojans picked up 3 runs in the sixth. Nath hit a home run, with Trent Ham already on base. Ihle got on first when he was hit by the Lions' pitcher; he ran home when Perez hit a pop fly deep into center field.

Brown Mackie's Francisco Herrera was injured in the leg when he caught a pop fly in right field to end the 6th. He had to limp off the field.

Colby's Jorge Cruz took over for Quintana on the mound in the seventh. He allowed a base hit by Lions' Shawn Harrison, who stole second, but then struck out the next batter to end the second game.

Pass the ball



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Zoey Borell (right) went for the ball Saturday in the Colby High School gym. Borell, a fifth grader, and her friends on the Dighton Hornets made up one of about 20 teams that came here Saturday for a basketball tournament, to raise money for the Colby Recreation Department.

Softball team loses

The Colby Community College softball team fell 10-14 to Seward County Community College in a home game Wednesday.

Colby came out strong at the start, picking up 3 runs to Seward's 2. Later, the Lady Trojans were tied with the Saints at 6. But Seward pulled ahead with 5 unanswered runs in the fourth and fifth innings. Colby scored another 4 runs in the sixth, but the Saints picked up 3 in the last inning.

The Lady Trojans had 10 hits

and 4 errors while Seward racked up 15 hits and 3 errors.

Outstanding performances for Colby included Sasha Duran-Fong and Courtney Kinnet with two hits each, Gabi Palacios with 3 walks and Kaiya Canar with 2 runs batted in.

Skyler Mengel pitched 2 strikeouts in four innings for Colby, and Natalie Elmgreen had 3 strikeouts in two innings. Elmgreen had an average of 2.14 walks and hits per inning pitched.

After one season, Jets fire quarterback Tebow

NEW YORK (AP) — Tebow Time is over in New York — before it ever got started.

Tim Tebow was waived by the Jets today, the end of an unsuccessful one-season experiment in New York.

Coach Rex Ryan said in a statement by the team in announcing the move that had been expected for months: "Unfortunately, things did not work out the way we all had hoped."

The Heisman Trophy winner attempted just eight passes after his ballyhooed arrival in a surprising trade from the Denver Broncos in March 2012. He threw for 39 yards and rushed 32 times for 102 yards — and stunningly had no touchdowns as a member of the Jets.

Meanwhile, starter Mark Sanchez struggled amid constant questions about Tebow's playing time, and still Tebow remained mostly on the sideline. The Jets and new general manager John Idzik drafted former West Virginia star Geno Smith in the second round of the NFL draft Friday, giving New York six quarterbacks on its roster — and creating uncertainty about Sanchez's future as well.

Tebow arrived at the team's facility in Florham Park, N.J., this morning and was told he had been cut.

"Tim is an extremely hard worker, evident by the shape he came back in this offseason," Ryan said. "We wish him the best moving forward."

Tebow led the Broncos to the playoffs in 2011, but became expendable when Denver signed Peyton Manning as a free agent. The popular backup quarterback was acquired by the Jets for a fourth-round draft pick and \$1.5 million in salary. He was introduced at the Jets' facility to plenty of fanfare at a lavish news confer-

ence, with Tebow repeatedly saying he was "excited" to be in New York.

It turned out to be one of the few high points in Tebow's stay with the Jets. Along with his shirtless jog from the practice field in the rain during training camp, of course.

Owner Woody Johnson jokingly said last season that "you can never have enough Tebow." Well, the Jets apparently had their fill after just one year.

From the day the Jets made the move to bring Tebow in to compete with Sanchez, many fans and media predicted it was only a matter of time before the former Florida star stepped in as the starting quarterback. There were billboards outside the Lincoln Tunnel in New Jersey welcoming Tebow, and sandwiches named after him at Manhattan delis.

Meanwhile, the Jets insisted having both Tebow and Sanchez would not be a distraction. The plan was that the team would benefit from having both players' different skill sets: Sanchez as the traditional quarterback, and Tebow running the wildcat-style offense.

While everyone from Johnson to Ryan to former general manager Mike Tannenbaum to former offensive coordinator Tony Sparano said they were all "on board" with Tebow, it became evident early that he had no clear role.

And Tebow simply didn't impress enough in practice to earn more playing time.

Ryan refused to start Tebow in place of a struggling Sanchez late in the season, choosing instead to go with third-stringer Greg McElroy ahead of him for one game — despite Tebow's multitude of fans taking to Twitter and begging the team to give their favorite player a chance.

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