

Martin To Coach Michigan Trackmen

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ROCHESTER, N. Y. — It's been a year of the "new breed" dominating on the golf tour and in the National Open the story was no different.

Lee Trevino, 28, who never had won a tournament before, walked off with the championship by staging a final-round rout that gave him a 275 to equal the Open record set a year ago by Jack Nicklaus.

Nicklaus this time was second at 279, while Bert Yancey, who had led in the '68 Open after the first, second and third rounds, collapsed on the closing 18 and wound up in third place with a 281.

Trevino went into the final day's play trailing Yancey by one stroke, 205-206, after being five shots back with eight holes remaining on the third round.

He caught Yancey early on Sunday's round, then pulled away to withstand a closing surge by Nicklaus as Yancey's game fell apart.

IN ADDITION to equaling Nicklaus' record, Trevino made Open history by becoming the first to better par in all four rounds.

Consistent all the way, he fired a 69 the first day, a 68 the second and then 69 both on Saturday and Sunday to pick up the first prize money of \$30,000.

Despite the fact he never before had won a meet Trevino hasn't done badly on the pro circuit this season. The loot he collected in the Open liked his year's earnings past the

Trotters Lose Out To Pacers

Trotters are just fading away in harness racing and Tommy Winn for one is unhappy to see such a development.

Winn, who is celebrating his 37th year as a driver-trainer, blames the lack of competent trainers for the dearth of trotters.

"Most of the young fellows in this business today aren't willing to take the patience and time required to break a young colt to the trot," Winn tells you.

"Trotters have to go without hobbles and they normally have difficult maneuverisms. It's easier to break a colt to the pace where hobbles are normally used."

Winn still likes a good trotter ahead of him.

REEDS WAYLAY is a notable exception. The Harold Fisher-trained horse won over \$50,000 as a trotter before being converted during the past year to a pacer where he has now won some of the big stakes in the midwest.

Winn is back in the sulky at Northville Downs after a week's

\$44,000 mark.

The 11th and 12th holes proved the "big ones" for Trevino, a school dropout who has made his name in golf.

He was five behind Yancey coming to the 11th on Saturday. A birdie on 11 and 12 and then another on 14 while Yancey bogied the 18th sealed Yancey's lead after 54 holes to one stroke.

ON SUNDAY, Nicklaus made matters tough for Trevino until Trevino again birdied the 11th and 12th.

From then on Trevino led by four strokes. Nicklaus muffed three chances on the finishing holes for birdies when short putts failed.

Meantime, Trevino defied the tradition of golf by wasting no time between shots. Run into closing pars to emerge as an early winner.

Bobby Nichols was third at 282 while far back, 19 strokes over par at 301 came a gent by the name of Arnie Palmer.

Arnie's army had deserted him long before the final round. He was the last player to finish and his score was not much better.

Next stop for the touring pros is the Canadian Open this weekend.

Two weeks hence the scene will shift to Warwick Hills near Flint for the annual Michigan Open.

absence. While training a horse recently his cart collided with a horse and he was thrown to the track injuring a wrist and some ribs.

Spills are not unusual to the 62-year-old Farmington resident. Several years ago he piled up in New York and was out of harness racing for nearly two years.

Winn, who competed in Northville's first meeting 25 years ago, says he has never seen the track faster or in better shape. He believes that the warm temperatures of late has helped make the strapping fast.

AS WINN LOOKS to the future of harness racing he can see few improvements ahead.

"They've done just about everything to the sport to make it attractive and competitive," Winn feels you.

Winn, who ranks 11th among all-time national dash winners, has lived through two generations of harness racing. He's a fellow who should know what he's talking about.

New Breed Golfers Dominating Opens

ANN ARBOR—Dave Martin, assistant track coach at the University of Michigan the last five years, has been named head coach of the Wolverine track squad.

The appointment was approved by the Board in Control of Intercollegiate Athletics. Martin succeeds Don Canham, the Wolverines' track coach for 20 years who takes over the athletic directorship July 1 from retiring H. O. (Pete) Crisler.

Two former Michigan track stars, two-time Big Ten shot put champion Jack Harvey and sprinter Ken Burnley, were

named as Martin's track assistants. Burnley becomes Michigan's first varsity level Negro coach.

The 31-year-old Martin was an outstanding runner for Michigan during the 1959-60-61 seasons, setting a school record of 4:08.9 in the mile, which Tom Kearney broke last year with a 4:06 effort. Martin also ran the half-mile and set a Michigan record in the steeplechase and was an All-American selection.

DURING MARTIN'S three years of competition the Wolverines won four Big Ten championships. A native of Flint, where he ran for Michigan's former track great Don McEwen, Martin was a member of five relay units that won titles in the Penn Relays.

Martin married the former Nancy Brady of Grosse Pointe and they have two boys, Dave 6, and Matthew, 3.

Harvey, who won Conference shot put titles in 1966 and 1967, returns to Michigan after serving a year as an assistant track coach at the University of Nevada. He married the former Judy Wilder of Grand Blanc.

BURNLEY, three-year sprinter for the Wolverines in the early 1960's, has been com-

Birmingham, took second in the NCAA indoor championships and was fifth outdoors. He also was an All-American choice.

peting as a member of the Ann Arbor Track Club and served as its president. He has been teaching at Ypsilanti East Junior High and has degrees in physical education and special education and is nearing completion of his masters. He has been closely associated with Michigan track the last few years.

The 26-year-old Burnley, from Mumfordsburg in Detroit, competed in the 440, 220, 100 and 60-yard dashes and ran on the mile relay unit. He ran on teams that won Big Ten titles

in 1962-63-64. He married the former Eileen Brown of Highland Park and they have a daughter, Traci, 2.

Martin said Harvey will work with the field event competitors and Burnley with the runners and hurdlers.

Plunky Putter

MINNEAPOLIS — Richard Sorenson, angry because an iron shot went astray, picked up the golf ball and threw it at the green 94 yards away. Plunk.

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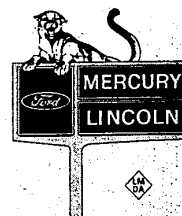
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