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SET TO GO—Pictured on the eve of their departure for Bremerhaven and the Northern District playoffs are the Berlin Little League All Stars. From left to right (first row): Pat Williams, Tim Harrison, Bruce Hampton, Ray Williams, and Charles Spannare. (Second row): Duke Dubia, Hal Ingle, Bruce Jager, Jim Ingle, and Mike Glaser. (Third row): coach Don Thompson, Al Bradley, Ed Cole, John Reale, Ralph Freeman, and coach Bob Meece.

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LL Stars Head for Playoffs; Bisons Falter in League Play

Berlin's 14-man Little League All-Star team leaves today for Bremerhaven to play in the single-elimination Northern District playoffs against teams from Bremerhaven, Bonn, and Kassel, with the winner moving on to the Germany playoffs next weekend.

In league play, Bruce Hampton went 4-for-4 with two singles, a double, and a triple to lead the Bulls in a 16-12 slugfest victory over the front-running Bisons, keeping the winner's pennant hopes alive as the Little League season moved into the final week of play.

The Bears started the week off by nipping the Bisons, 7-5, behind an 11-strike out performance by Pat Williams. On the same day the Lions edged the Rams, 9-8, on Charles Spannare's two-run double in the last inning.

Tuesday saw Hal Ingle notch a 12-strike out shutout as the Bisons rebounded to trounce the Bears, 7-0. Ray Williams suffered his first setback of the season Wednesday as the Bisons slipped past the Colts, 11-9. The second game Wednesday saw Spannare slam a homer and double to pace the Lions' 12-9 win over the Bears.

In a return match the next day John Reale fired a no-hitter, striking out 16, as the Colts smacked the Lions, 8-0. Hampton hurled the Bulls to a tight 2-1 win over the Bears, giving up only three hits.

The Rams bested the Lions Saturday, 5-4, in a battle for the cellar.

Ingle moved into the top slot among the hitters last week with a .577 mark. Ralph Freeman of the Bisons continues to lead the long-ball belters, with five home runs. Ed Cole of the Bulls has the best pitching record, 5-1, while Williams' 70 strike outs leads the way.

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HUNTING—Captain Christian F. Dubia, new BC Special Services Officer, checks an old trophy at the Sports Office with high hopes of adding to BC's already bulging show-