

10 Walks Spell Difference In RU Loss

A six run sixth inning proved the difference in the Suburban Eight baseball clash between Redford Union and Livonia Bentley, with the Bulldogs from Bentley holding a 10-4 edge.

"We just fell apart at the seams," said RU Coach Bob

Atkins after watching his hurlers give up 10 walks and his defensive unit make five errors.

It was a 4-4 game going into the sixth when Bentley put together four walks, two hits, two errors and two wild pitches to tally six times.

Joe Kearney went the route for Bentley for the win and allowed seven hits, walked four and struck out four.

TOM MILLER started for RU, was relieved by Gary Fuiks, Tom Nippa, and Marlon as Coach Atkins was having trouble finding

someone to put the ball over the plate.

Bentley scored one in the first when Gregg Neale was safe on an error. Bob Deacon and Pat Perino followed with singles and the Bulldogs were up by one.

Bentley spurred ahead by

three in the top of the third with Neale starting the rally again. He was hit by a pitch and Perino and Gentz walked. Two errors and a sacrifice by Bob Wasilewski brought home two more runs and it was Bentley, 3-0.

RU got one back in the third

on walks to Miller and Steve Friedman and a one base hit by Kurt Fritz.

THE BULLDOGS pulled ahead by three again in their half of the fifth on a home run by Gentz.

But the Panthers fought back to tie it at four all in the bottom of the fifth, with the help of the long ball.

Mark Durance and Friedman singled and Fritz unleashed a tremendous drive to left field for a three run homer off Kearney.

Then came the sixth inning.

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WHERE'S THE ACTION -- Franklin's Gar Frantz is nailed at the plate by Thurston catcher Mike Robinson (with ball in hand), with the umpire signaling the out.

Bob Ghannam is pointing towards third base as Robinson eyes another close play in the making. (Observer photo)

PREP Results

BASEBALL SCORES

Green 10, Oak Park 2
St. Agathe 4, St. Andrews 0
Clarenceville 6, Clarkson 5
Bentley 10, RU 4
Groves 8, Glenn 0
N. Farmington 1, Mt. Western 0
Allen Park 6, Plymouth 2
Harrison 3, Mead 1
Thurston 6, Franklin 2
Oak Park 4, Groves 2
Churchill 6, Mead 0
Andover 4, Clarenceville 2
N. Farmington 6, Franklin 0

TRACK RESULTS

GC West 90, GC East 33
Farmington 70, Groves 53
Kimball 72, Southfield 51
GC West 90, Mahwahide 33
Farmington 90, Waterford 33

TENNIS SCORES

Harrison 7, Mt. Western 0
Clarkston 4, Clarenceville 1

BENTLEY

ab	r	h	bi
Neale 1b	3	1	1
Deacon 2b	3	1	1
Friedman 3b	2	1	1
Gentz cf	2	2	1
Sevigny lf	4	0	1
Wasilewski c	1	0	2
Houghton of	1	0	0
Kearney p	3	1	0
Total	23	10	6-9

REDFORD UNION

ab	r	h	bi
Kahl 1b	4	1	0
Durance cf	2	1	0
Friedman 3b	4	1	2
Fritz lf	4	0	2
Ridmond c	4	0	0
Campbell 2b	4	0	0
Yonchock 1b	3	0	1
Johnson rf	2	0	0
Miller	1	0	0
Jordan p	3	0	0
Bentley	1	0	0
Total	38	4	4

Neale and Deacon walked. The RU shortstop booted a

Eagles Continue Assault; Franklin Fails To Rally

Thurston continued its assault in the Northwest Suburban League with a 4-2 triumph over Livonia Franklin. The Eagles stand 2-0 in the conference and 2-3 overall.

Thurston was the visiting team but the game was played on the Thurston diamond. Bad weather had prevented playing on the Franklin field, thus the Eagles were at the advantage before the game started.

Bill Fraser was safe on an error to start the Thurston first. He moved to second on an error and scored on a single by Bob Ghannam. Franklin had scoring opportunities in

the second and third stanza but failed to capitalize.

The Patriots notched it at one all in the bottom of the fourth. Tim Livesay singled, stole second, advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored when Dave Holland's swath went down swinging on a bad pitch that got by Thurston catcher.

THURSTON spurred back in the fifth. Mike Robinson tripled, Bill Fraser singled him home, stole second and scored on a single by Don Murdock.

The Patriots came to life in an error and scored on a single by Bob Ghannam. Franklin had scoring opportunities in

scoring Crowe but the rally ended with Franklin one short.

Thurston added an insurance run in the seventh off reliever Griffin. Robinson walked and scored on an error and a single by Ghannam.

FRANKLIN was far from dead in the bottom of the seventh. Jeff Waterstone walked but Wayne Darragh grounded out. Gar Frantz singled but Crowe grounded out and Livesay struck out to end the game.

Ghannam went the distance for Thurston chalking up the win and Franklin starter Rick Frayer took the loss.

FRANKLIN

ab	r	h	bi
Derdarian 2b	3	0	0
Waterstone cf	3	0	0
Darragh ss	4	0	0
Frantz lf	2	0	0
Crowe rf	4	1	2
Livesay 3b	4	1	1
Wakins 1b	3	0	1
Hollandsworth c	3	0	1
Frayer p	0	0	0
Giffin p	1	0	0
Total	27	2	7

THURSTON

ab	r	h	bi
Fraser cf	2	1	1
Pome ss	4	0	0
Ghannam p	4	0	2
Murdock 3b	4	0	1
Fontana rf	3	0	0
Stain lf	3	0	0
Irwin 1b	3	0	0
Rob 2b	2	0	0
Johnson c	2	0	0
Total	29	4	4

FRANKLIN.....0 0 0 1 1 0 2 4
THURSTON.....1 0 0 2 0 1 4

C'ville Loses To Clarkston

Clarenceville dropped a Wayne-Oakland tennis match to Clarkston, 4-1, and now stands 2-2 in league action and 2-4 overall.

The lone win for Clarenceville was in the first singles with Bob LaForest beating Ben Lawrence, 6-1 and 6-2.

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Thornbladh, Mutch Show Well U-M Grid Jobs Beckon

By W.W. EDGAR

Two former Observerland high school football stars - Bob Thornbladh, of Plymouth, and Craig Mutch, of Thurston - served notice on Coach "Bo" Schembechler Saturday that they'll be ready to do their part when the University of Michigan begins defense of the Big Ten title next fall.

Michigan also put some speedy backs on display. Among them was Harry Banks, a shifty speed merchant, and "Cowboy" Walker who was the backup man for Billy Taylor a year ago.

Among some of the other newcomers who will bear watching is Dennis Franklin, a black quarterback, who is not only a sharp runner, but a fellow who can throw a long pass.

Even though they were on the "Blue" squad that lost to the "Whites", 14 to 12, they were in the thick of competition all the way.

Thornbladh, who was the third string fullback last fall and automatically moved up to the second string upon the graduation of Fritz Seyferth, played most of the annual spring practice finale and gave an excellent account of himself.

It was his 60-yard pass to Gil Chapman, another sophomore wingback, that gave the "Blues" their first touchdown.

Throughout the game the coaches kept experimenting with the passing game and it was evident that Schembechler, stung by the criticism of a year ago for the lack of a passing game, will go to the air frequently next fall.

But the most pleasing showing was that of Mutch, who missed last season because of an injury. Craig captained the "Blue" defensive unit and was in on most of the tackles. His lone miscue came near midfield when he dropped the ball after correctly diagnosing a pass play. He had the ball in his hands with an open field ahead.

Other than that he romped over the offensive backfield and, unless some misfortune strikes again, he'll be heard from in a big way next season.

FIVE QUARTERBACKS were on parade throughout the afternoon. The lone newcomer was Franklin and whoever wins the starting assignment may have to beat him for the job.

Otherwise it appears like another battle between the two juniors - Kevin Casey and Tom Slade - who handled the job a year ago.

While neither caused any thrills by his passing ability last Saturday, Casey was pressed into service as a punter - and did a remarkable job.

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