

Troy-Birmingham sweeps Auburn Heights

By MARTY BUONER

The Troy-Birmingham legion baseball team is finding that once you get to the top, everybody's after you. Coach Tom Lakos' young group of players currently own a 15-3 record—the best in the eight-team 18th American Legion District. And they almost had their two-game lead cut drastically over the weekend by a deter-

mined group of Auburn Heights players. However, Troy-Birmingham squeaked out a doubleheader victory, taking the first game 4-2 in the last inning, and holding on in the nightcap, 6-5. "They (Auburn Heights) played two good games against us," said Lakos. "That was our 12th and 14th straight wins, and each game just seems to be getting tougher. Everyone wants to beat the best team."

The teams were tied entering the final inning of the first game as Auburn Heights scored a pair of runs in the seventh. Terry Schultz relieved starter Scott Dear in that inning, retired the side with a pair of strikeouts, and registered the win. The victory was Schultz' fourth straight after opening the season with a pair of losses. Dear, who had a one-hitter going into encountering control problems in the seventh, struck out seven batters.

Pat Caputo won the game for Troy-Birmingham with the team's only hit of the afternoon—a two-run homer by Derek McGlothlin on base.

The winners scored two runs in the first as a result of a walk, an error, a

double steal of first and home, and a sacrifice fly from Charlie Cossey. Auburn Heights was limited to a pair of hits.

TROY-BIRMINGHAM was pressed again in the second game, with Steve Lewis striking out the last two batters with the potential tying and winning runs on base. Lewis relieved starter George Salzman who struck out three and walked three.

Jeff Buchanan, Mark Seontine and McGlothlin each had two hits in the second game, and Lewis scored one run besides hitting a triple. Seontine mustered two RBIs.

Earlier in the week Troy-Birmingham blanked Milford 2-0 as Schultz threw a one-hitter. The former Troy

pitcher struck out 10 and walked three.

The game's key hit belonged to Buchanan, who delivered a two-run single in the second inning.

Lewis is the team's leading hitter with a .379 average, which includes five RBIs. Nine runs scored, two doubles, three triples and one home run. Seontine is batting .367 with 15 runs-batted-in and two home runs.

Charlie Cossey is hitting .352, and is followed by Mark Marangon (.320) and Buchanan. Marangon, the former Athens Redhawk, has 12 RBIs this season.

Schultz has pitched 53 innings, striking out 64 and walking only 19 batters. Dear, whose 4-0 record includes a pair of early-season shutouts, has struck out 36 batters in 45 innings.

Salzman owns a 2-0 record, and Lewis is 1-0.

"It's been a great season so far," said Lakos, whose team lost three of its first four games. "We hope we can keep it up. The players are all enthusiastic."

"It's been a team effort all the way as the kids keep battling back from behind," he said. "Barring injuries to key players, and a substantial lapse, I think we should win the championship."

Troy-Birmingham's next game is this evening (Thursday) at Farmington beginning at 6 p.m., and tomorrow against Waterford at Troy's Boushan Park. The team will then engage Southfield in a doubleheader on Sunday, at Southfield.

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Charter No. 16660

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Acting Comptroller of the Currency

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

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\$23,000.00 1977 General Obligation Improvement Bonds (District No. 76-67)

City of Farmington

County of Oakland, State of Michigan

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BOND DETAILS: Said special assessment bonds will be coupon bonds in the denomination of \$5,000.00 each, and said general obligation bonds will be in the denominations of \$1,000.00 and \$5,000.00 dated July 1, 1977, numbered in direct order of maturity from 1 upwards, and will bear interest from their date payable on September 1, 1978, and semi-annually thereafter.

Said bonds will mature without option of prior redemption on the 1st day of September, as follows:

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\$ 5,000 1978;
\$10,000 1979;
\$ 5,000 1980; \$10,000 1981 to 1986, inclusive.

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\$ 5,000 1979 to 1982, inclusive.

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LEGAL OPINION: Bids shall be conditioned upon the unqualified approving opinion of Miller, Canfield, Peck and Stone, attorneys of Detroit, Michigan, of which opinion will be printed on the reverse side of each bond, and the original of which will be furnished without expense to the purchaser of the bonds at the delivery thereof.

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THIS NOTICE IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

ENVELOPES containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for 1977 Special Assessment/General Obligation Bonds."

NEDRA VIANE
City Clerk
City of Farmington, Michigan

Approved: July 12, 1977

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August 22, 1977

Southfield splits twin bill

By TOM BAER

Southfield's encounter with Bloomfield Hills in an American Legion 18th District baseball doubleheader last Sunday afternoon at Andover High School was one of those good news-bad news situations.

First the good news. Southfield won the opener, 3-2, on a four-hitter

by winning pitcher Jon Vigi. The bad news: Southfield committed eight errors and dropped the nightcap, 6-1. The split gave Southfield a 9-8 won-lost record in 18th-District play this summer.

Southfield won the first game by breaking a two-all tie with a run in the top of the sixth inning. Doug Menzies and Jim Wissing drew walks from losing pitcher Doug Proha, and then Gary Ritten delivered a single to score Menzies.

Southfield scored a run in the first and another in the second. The opening run came when the winners loaded the bases on walks to Steve Gantz, and Paul Kono-packe and a bunt single by Dean Platt. Menzies

knocked in the run with a sacrifice fly.

Southfield's next run came on a freak play. Blaze Gatti drew a walk. He stole second, and then rounded the bases to score when the catcher's throw to second hit his helmet and bounced into the outfield.

"The ball bounced up the gap between the

right and center fielders," said Southfield manager Milt Thacker. "Neither man was quite ready for it, and the throw to the plate was bad."

Vigi, a righthander, went the distance and lifted his Legion pitching record to 2-1. He struck out three and walked five. "Vigi's not what you'd call a fastball

pitcher, but he has great control when he's on. Thacker said, "He has an assortment of pitches, and he really mixes them up."

Heat can't stop area runners

It's ironic that a group of young men accustomed to running in harmony with the back woods staged their most grueling challenge on a flat, oval track in Rochester last week.

A band of 10 cross-country runners representing Rochester High School, unexpectedly accompanied by their coach, dogged record-setting temperatures and an aggravating rainfall for 24 straight hours to successfully complete the historic Rochester Marathon.

Beginning 4 p.m. last Friday, John Canar, Greg Flynn, Kurt Kehehn, Paul Carlisle, Dan Sargent, Keith Taylor, Mark Bentley, Dave Eberle, John Cryderman and coach Hal Commerson—in that order—ran 225 miles

to raise money for the school boosters club.

Canar started the marathon with a sub-six minute mile, and his 10 mates took turns conquering the 440-yard cinder track on an average of 6½ minutes. Cryderman completed the 22½ mile—the approximate distance from Rochester to Traverse City—Saturday afternoon shortly after 4 p.m.

Commerson replaced Eberle, who was forced to withdraw because of a knee problem after 100 miles. All totaled, eight runners completed 24 miles and Eberle accounted for the remaining 10.

"When we finished all the parents

were there, and there must have been more than 100 people encouraging us," said Commerson. "It was really a tremendous thing, but, at the end, we got to a point where we just wanted to finish."

"It was 102 degrees when we started out, then we had to fry rain and chills early Saturday morning. We really had to hang on for several hours, and the pains didn't start until early that morning."

"The entire run was an extremely difficult thing," said Commerson, who spent two years in the Marine Corps, part of the time in Vietnam. "It was easily the most physically demanding thing that I've ever done."

ACCORDING TO COMMERSION, the pace started swiftly as runners averaged less than six minutes through the first 100 miles. He then instructed his group to slow down, easing to a time of 6:30.

Bentley maintained the fastest pace of the entire group as he stayed under six minutes for 18 of 24 miles. Although Canar logged the group's best time of 5:26 in the race's fifth hour, Bentley, incredibly, ran a four-lap time of 5:44 in the 22d hour.

The marathon runners stifled the pace at the race's end, with Cryderman finishing with a mile time of

8:13. However, the group purposely slowed up so that Commerson wouldn't have to participate in the last hour.

After each of the runners completed his required mile, he normally kept loose on the infield by walking and stretching muscles. The runners' parents supplied the necessary food and refreshments.

Although some runners managed to catch a few minutes of sleep, the majority stayed awake for the entire time.

"We were all pretty well wiped out," said Commerson. "And, it was really the parents of the boys who kept us going."

"The entire experience is something that we'll never forget. It's probably something that you wouldn't want to do too many times in your life."

"But, when we run a tough meet in the fall, we can run it and say that it's no harder than what we did back in July," he said.

Each of the runners gained pledges from their respective neighborhood residents, and Commerson anticipates a gross earning of close to \$400. The money will be used to send the team to a cross country camp in Sauble Beach, Ontario, later this summer.

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