

IN THE POCKET

By W.W. EDGAR

Eddie Lubanski, the fellow who gave up a promising career in baseball to bid for fame in the bowling lanes of the country more than 20 years ago—and got it—showed that he has lost none of his old touch last week in the Westland Classic.

Hitting the pocket with frequency he posted a 715 series that not only paced the Classic but was the highest league series bowled in Observerland during the past seven days.

The big series enabled Eddie to jump a few runs on the average ladder, but he is still far behind the leader, Jay Dishong, who is showing the way with 207.

An even dozen bowlers in the Classic are averaging above the double century mark.

IN ANSWER to several requests here are the highest sanctioned league scores bowled in the nation in 1969:

In the men's division Reed's Bus Service, of Kansas City, topped the list with 3525. Ed Thomas and Bob Brown, Columbus, O., showed the way in doubles with 1497, and Michael Hartley, Wichita, Kansas, paced the singles with 841.

The Goebel Beer team of Detroit, was the only five-man squad on the list and placed fourth with 3455. Bud Mulholland, of Pontiac, with 812, and Tony Lindeman, of Detroit, with 803, in the singles were the only other Michigan bowlers on the Honor Roll.

In the women's section, Anita Cantaline's of Detroit Ladies Major, showed the way in the nation with a 3220 series and an 1150 single game, while Eleanor Timbrook, of Concord, Cal., had a 781 to lead the individuals.

As the season enters the second half Elvira Toepfer, anchor bowler on the Cantaline team, is making a runaway race of it in the competition to be the Detroit area bowling queen.

Winner of the honor for the past four years, to the mark first by Marge Merrick, she now is out in front of the parade with a mean average of 235. This is one of the highest averages posted by a woman in the nation this season.

Elvira's perennial rivals, Ann Setlock and Mary Mohacs, are far behind her. Ann has compiled a 1914 average and Mary has a 192.62.

DICK BEATTIE, the star southpaw, had one of his "off" nights in the Wonderland Classic. He bowled a mere (for him) 689. After opening with a

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DOUBLE TROUBLE for Bentley's Craig Rosenthal (51) as he fights for a rebound during the game with Franklin's Patriots. Jim Porter (52) accidentally puts a finger in Craig's eye and Dick McAdom (32) reaches up to cover the ball. Rosenthal came out of the melee without injury and also without the ball. (Observer photo by Craig Gaffield)

Trojans Hang On To Win, 67-65

There was a little extra free throw practice at Clarenceville High this past week.

The reason was understandable after the Trojans barely squeaked past South Lyon, 67-65, in a non-league.

Clarenceville led by as many as 10 points in the fourth period when the opposition started fouling in an attempt to get the ball back.

Nine times the Trojans went to the line and nine times they missed. Several were on one and one situations.

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Twins Pace Thurston Swimmers

Paced by the Glissman twins, Mark and Terry, Thurston high's swimming team downed North Farmington, 62-45, in a Northwest Suburban League dual meet.

Terry won the individual medley while Mark won the 200-yard freestyle and then came back to win the 100-yard freestyle.

THE RESULTS: MEDLEY RELAY: 1—Thurston (Noren, Holcombe, Barringer, Leel); Time: 1:47.4. 200-YARD FREE: 1—Mark Glissman (T); 2—McArthur (T); 3—Shahoto (NF); Time: 2:04.4. 200-YARD IM: 1—Terry Glissman (T); 2—Conklin (NF); 3—Swan (NF); Time: 2:24.8. 50-YARD FREE: 1—Kanno (T); 2—Bertsch (NF); 3—Smith (NF); Time: 2:31 seconds. DIVING: 1—Buchan (T); 2—Kring (NF); 3—Younger (NF).

BUTTERFLY: 1—Barringer (T); 2—T. Glissman (T); 3—Panasian (NF); Time: 1:01. 100-YARD FREE: 1—Mark Glissman (T); 2—Bertsch (NF); 3—Amere (NF); Time: 55 seconds. BACKSTROKE: 1—Doran (T); 2—Conklin (NF); 3—Dolan (NF); Time: 1:06.1. 400-YARD FREE: 1—Shakoto (NF); 2—Matovsch (NF); 3—Kizuka (T); Time: 4:47.2. BREASTSTROKE: 1—Stevenson (T); 2—Krenz (T); 3—Swan (NF); Time: 1:11.4. FREESTYLE RELAY: North Farmington (Worack, Weaver, Elliott, Amperel); Time: 4:01.1.

THE FARMINGTON winners: Medley relay: Tom Jayroe, John Karasas, Bob Jamison, Phil Millman; Time: 1:54.1. 200-yard free: Rick Hansen; Time: 2:08.6. Individual medley: Randy Jenks; Time: 2:22.2. Diving: Dale Priemer. Butterfly: Jamison; Time: 1:04. 100-yard free: Al Schmoder; Time: 58 seconds. 400-yard free: Rick Hansen; Time: 4:43.9. Freestyle relay: Bob John, Steve Niemi, Todd Jenkins, Paul Allen; Time: 4:15.9.

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CLARENCEVILLE came back from a 20-16 deficit after the first quarter to lead, 42-39, at the half when Chip Meyralls and Bob Ridling led a comeback.

It was 53-51 for the Trojans after the third period and the two-point margin proved the difference at the end after South Lyon roared back.

Ridling wound up with 25 points while Meyralls had 12, Ron LaMontagne 12 and Mike Duman 11.

LaMontagne also had 12 rebounds while Ridling grabbed 10 off the boards.

Dave Brandon's 29 topped the losers.

2,700 Compete In C'ville Swim Meet

The Clarenceville Swim Club is sponsoring its first AAU sanctioned "B" Age Group Swim Meet Sunday at 8:30 a.m. in the High School pool at 20155 Middle Belt.

Some 2,700 swimmers from all over Michigan have been invited to compete. Even Ohio and Canada are expected to be represented.

The Club has scheduled many 100 and 200 yard events for the older swimmers.



I'LL TAKE IT. Neither Craig Rosenthal (51) nor Brian Dissmore (13), of Bentley, made it known who was going to grab the ball with this result. There wasn't any question that Bentley had possession but the two wrestled for a moment before realizing they were on the same team. (Observer photo by Craig Gaffield)

Balanced Attack Helps Stevenson Bag 7th Victory

It was typical of a post-holiday game... when two teams come back fresh from the Christmas-New Year's "vacation" from school classes.

There was more scoring than anything else, but as matters turned out, Stevenson High emerged with an 82-73 win over Birmingham Groves in a non-league.

The victory was the seventh in eight starts for Stevenson, which must rank among the top rated teams in Observerland.

But it wasn't until the final period Stevenson pulled away. Groves lagged by only a 42-40 count at the half and it was

69-56 for Stevenson going into the last period.

THEN MIKE SWIFT hit 10 of his 13 points and that enabled Stevenson to finish well in front. Swift stands 6-2.

He was part of a well-balanced Stevenson scoring attack. Paul Van Wagner and Randy Hickerson each had 15, Ted Exarhos 11, Pat Swift 12 and Rusty Gregg 10.

Stevenson played without star guard John Jetchick, who suffered an eye injury; Jetchick's return is unknown, which could hurt the Livonians in their bid for Inter-Lakes Conference title honors.

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These are happy days for Jack Cotton, the athletic director of Farmington's public schools.

And, it's not because we're just into the new year and it's the thing to say: "Happy New Year."

Reason No. 1 for Cotton's happiness stems from an item he spotted in a sports publication which reached his desk the other morning.

Scanning through the contents, Cotton found a section devoted to the top track performers in the world during the "Sensational 60's."

One name struck Cotton more than any other—REX CAWLEY.

The reason was obvious. It was Cawley who raced into the state prep spotlight during the late '50's when he won hurdle title after hurdle title in the colors of Farmington High.

He not only won Michigan's Class A crown, but his record of 19 seconds set in winning the low hurdles in 1958 still stands.

FROM FARMINGTON Cawley went on to warmer climates to run for Southern California (remember the Trojans in the Rose Bowl Michigan?) and also to represent his country in Olympic and other world competition.

As a result of his brilliance, Cawley has been hailed as the premier 400-meter hurdler in the world for the '60's.

"That's sure wonderful news," declared Cotton. "What an athlete Rex has been."

In announcing the ratings and the selection of Cawley, it was stated:

"Cawley not only was brilliant in the Tokyo Olympics, but his achievements over a multi-season period certainly made him the best in his event."

While Cawley was rated No. 1, Roberto Frinoli of Italy was listed second, Salvatore Morate of Italy third and Ron Whitney of the United States fourth.

SWITCHING AWAY from Cawley, Cotton talked about the new Harrison High School which springs open in the Farmington district next fall.

Youngsters, who complain about attending Harrison, will have to have their heads examined.

- Especially the athletes.
- Just look what is in store for the Harrison boys and girls who participate in sports:
- 1—A football stadium, surrounded by an all-weather track.
 - 2—Two baseball diamonds.
 - 3—Special practice fields for football.
 - 4—A girls field hockey field.
 - 5—A tartan floor in the school's three gyms.
 - 6—A special wrestling area.
 - 7—A two-station swimming pool with a separate tank for divers.

Oh, boy... and when we went to high school, we were lucky to have a dark gym and pool, and the football field was five blocks away.

Try that on a cool, rainy day?

THERE'LL BE SEVERAL promotions in the coaching departments at Farmington and North Farmington Highs in order to stock the staffs at the new Harrison High.

"We're working on it now," said Cotton.

But first things must come first, and according to the rumor bird, Farmington High's new football coach will be announced.

The name probably will be released after the Board of Education votes on the selection this week.

BOUNCING AROUND: If we dictated by sympathy, we'd pick the Kansas City Chiefs to beat Minnesota in the Super Bowl Sunday.

About 12 years ago, we conducted a banquet in Detroit for All-State football players. One of the special guests who drove up from South Bend, Ind., was Hank Stram, then an assistant coach at Notre Dame.

He was there to try and persuade a few of the boys to attend Notre Dame and his remarks had to encourage the preps to make certain they went on to college... whether they continued to play football or not.

There was nothing "fritzy" about Stram then. They say he's the same now.

But it would appear his Chiefs don't stand a chance Sunday. Ah, yes, neither did the Jets a year ago against Baltimore!

FISHERMAN'S CALENDAR FOR JAN.-JUNE '70

JAN. 1
Start of spearing through the ice with sturgeon not included as legal targets until Feb. 1. Lake trout protected from spearing in all waters, ice fishing continues for rainbow trout, brown trout, lake trout, and splake on all lakes, except designated trout lakes. More than 50 Great Lakes streams remain open to year-around steelhead, salmon, and brown trout fishing.

JAN. 15
Start of spearing through the ice. Closure on walleye, muskellunge, and northern pike covers all waters except northern Lake Huron. End of sturgeon fishing in nontrout streams and inland lakes.

FEB. 1
Sturgeon spearing season begins on inland waters, not including designated trout lakes and trout streams.

FEB. 28
End of all spearing through the ice. Closure on walleye, muskellunge, and northern pike covers all waters except northern Lake Huron. End of sturgeon fishing in nontrout streams and inland lakes.

MARCH 31
Finalize for fishing walleye, muskellunge, and northern pike in northern Lake Huron.

APRIL 1
Start of archery and spearing season on certain rough fish in designated Lower Peninsula streams.

APRIL 4
Start of early trout season in designated streams.

APRIL 25
General trout opener.

MAY 1
Start of archery and spearing season on certain rough fish in designated Upper Peninsula waters. Fishing resumes on muskellunge, northern pike, and walleye in certain part of Lake Huron.

MAY 15
Opener for fishing muskellunge, northern pike, and walleye in all waters except Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers.

MAY 30
Black bass opener in all waters except Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers.

MAY 31
Archery-spearing season on rough fish closes in certain streams throughout the state.

JUNE 6
Muskellunge fishing opens in Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers.

JUNE 27
Black bass season extended to Lake St. Clair and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers.