Suburban Six Victor In Champions Track Meet

The Suburban Six League --that's the loop which boasts Livonia Bentley, Redford Union and Plymouth - showed its might in an Inter-League track meet held at Farmington.

Going against the best of the Northwest Suburban League (which includes Franklin, Thurston, North Farmington and Glenn) and the Inter-Lakes Conference (Farmington, See conterence (Farmington, Stevenson and Lathrup), the Sub-urban Six won with 59 5-6 points.

The meet was conducted on the same grounds as a regular dual-meet affairs with points scored for first, second and third places. . . .

THE TOP FINISHERS in each of the respective league meets contested in the Inter-teague spectacle which has become a feature on the prep schedule in the area.

Farmington's Mark Bender, rated as top sprinter in the area, won the 220 but had to be content with second in the century, finishing behind Chuck Rollins of Oak Park

Russ Meredith, of Thurston who won the regional crown at Detroit Mackenzie High two weeks ago, turned in his best

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SHOT PUT: 1-Reckinger (Allen Park), 2-Lindh (Thurston), 3-Kresback (Waterford), Distance: 55 2" (Position N.), Height): 12 feet, 5 inches,

Sorrows Nips Gabriel, 6-5, To Near Final In League

Our Lady of Sorrows moved a step nearer to playing for the Catholic League Second Tuesday by downing St. Gambriel, 6-5, in the first round of the playoffs.

Sorrow was to face Immaculate Conception in a second playoff encounter with the winner advancing to the big game in the Tiger ball park. The control of the second in Catholic League action to 11-26 for the season. The team took the Northwest Division flag in the Tiger ball games. Dan McGrath turned in another victory for Sorrows as he allowed seven hits, famed I and was the second that the control of the second in the second played played

II and walked three. He was touched for a run in

Borgess Out

The Catholic League hopes of Bishop Borgess ended Wednesday when Gabriel Bichard downed the Redford Townshippers, 30 in the final phase of a playoff after Borgess had ended the regular season in a three-way tie for the First Division West lead. Dan Gaudette hurled a five-hitter for the winners and struck out nine. He's now 7-1 overall and 4-0 in the league play.

Bob Beck's single drove in two runs for Gabriel Richard in the first inning.

Foes, Rain Whip Ridge Golf Team

Oakland Community College-Orchard Ridge fired a four-man, 27-hole total of 481 to finish second to St. Clair in a rain-shortened National regional junior college golf fournament at Willow Woods near Flint.

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Paul McIntosh was low for Orchard Ridge with a 117 while Ed Easterby and Pat McGaughey each had 129.

St. Clair won with a team score of 470. Jackson was third with 483 and Schoolcraft was fourth with 486.

Orchard Ridge finished the season with a 13-3 record in dual meets and was second to St. Clair in the league.

Redford Wins No-Hit Gem

Redford's Class A baseball team downed Detroit North-western. 2-0, as Bob Smoots turned in a brilliant no-hitter. He fanned 14 and helped his own cause by scoring the team's first run.

the first inning, two in the second and two more in the fifth.

Sorrows Force loose with three runs in the second with Ross Fatton and Nat Hurst walked and advancing on a divancing on a manufer Schiffman hit.

Turf Tips, Quips

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It's worth your time to go to Northville just to enjoy a night of racing from the clubhouse.

The design is much different from that of any other Detroit

from that of any other Detroit area track.
Executive Manager John Carlo, the prime mover in the new facility, hasn't skimped on money this time.
There is a new entrance off Center Street. a wide entrance to the second level of the club-ouse and then winding stairs to the plush dining room on the third level.

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Every effort has been made to provide for the comfort of

to provide for the comfort of partons and Carlo promises the bill of fare will be better than that offered at any of the other area tracks. Perhaps the one thing that may be detrimental is the fact that Northville Downs will not have the Big Perfecta or a small perfecta as far as that goes.

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Of caces," says Carlo, "I am not a believer in the extra betting gimmichs. It is my belief that those betting will have jiest as many chances to cash tickets without the Big Perfect as the would with it."

Be that as it may, the operators of the Ilazel Park trusts and the Detroit Ruce Course runners are equally as strong in their belief that the Big Potes attract crowds. The same times are considered as the control of the same times are considered with the popular Big Potes attract crowds. The same time to be seen how Northville Downs does without the popular Big Potes attract crowds. The same interesting horses to watch in the remaining highst at Hazel Park.

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St. Agatha Trackmen Win Titles

Mike Sweeney of St. Agatha emerged a double winner while teammate Frank Higgins set a record in the Catholic League's Second Division track champi-onshins.

Second Division track champi-conships.

Sweeney won the high jump with a leap of 5 feet, 8 inches, and came back to take the high hurdles in 158 seconds.

However, the second in the the record time of 9:93.4.

Our Lady Of Serrows came up with a second in the 880-yard relay and a fourth by Dennis Kiley in the 220-yard dash.

Ann Arbor St. Thomas won the team title with 35 points, followed by Wayne St. Mary with 30 and St. Agatha with 27. Serrows scored six points.

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Okay, let's go back to school on baseball rules .

Suppose it's a Little League game and the batter comes to the plate without his helmet. Should an ump call him out, as the rules prescribe?

Well, a technical ump would. But an ump who knows the kids are out there to have some fun usually will find some reason to call "time" until the batter gets a helmet.

It doesn't happen very often to make an issue ~

On the sandlots, it frequently happens. A runner slides into a base and knocks it loose. The fielder sticks his glove down and tags the runner, who's no place near the base now. What does the ump do?

The rule says that when a base comes loose, the

runner doesn't have to follow it. In this case, he'd be called safe, assuming he would have been safe had the base stayed put.

HERE'S ONE that came up twice in area base-ball games the other week: Batter popped one up. Infielder settled himself on the baseline and was brushed by the runner from first to second or the batter-runner in another case. The fielder dropped the ball. How does the ump

Well, this is one time the runner must leave the baseline. He should be called out for interference.

THERE'S A RUNNER on third with one out.

Batter skies a fly to center. Outfielder catches ball, then juggles it, then catches it firmly. Runner on third breaks for home as soon as the original contact with the ball was made by fielder.

Then the defensive side makes an appeal, claiming runner left too soon, that the run shouldn't count. Run does count. The instant the outfielder first touched the ball, it's legal for him to go.

If rule didn't read this way, defensive team might juggle the ball all the way into the infield and keep the run from scoring.

It obviously makes sense.

WHEN THERE'S ONLY one umpire working a game, where should he stand with runners on base? That's for the ump to decide. Wherever he stands, he's got his problems.

Some like to stay behind the plate because he has a better chance to judge on foul-fair balls. He's also in better position to call balls and strikes. Baseball is not for one official. If it were the majors wouldn't spend the money they do to use four men on every game.

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WHAT ABOUT the half swing? Say what you want to, it's probably the toughest call of all.

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It's strictly a matter of judgment and there's
nothing to guide an ump but what he thinks he's seen.
Sure, he can ask for help from his partner or
partners... and when more than one man handles a
game, the base umps generally help.
But the plate ump doesn't have to ask for their
advice, if he's a stubborn guy. Some are.

THIS IS ONE you should always remember. Runner from first breaks for second on an attempted steal. The ball scoots away from the catcher and rolls into the bench area or dugout as the runner con-

times on to third.

But the ump sends the runner back to second .
and there's always an argument.

There shouldn't be any squawks. The rule is spe-

cific

"Runner is entitled to one base on a pitch from

"Hunner is entitled to one base on the rubber that results in a dead ball."

Since the play started with the runner on first, he's only entitled to second, even though he might have made it clear home on the wild heave into the dugout.

CAN AN UMPIRE change his mind and rule a

CAN AN UMPIRE change his mind and rule a runner safe after calling him out?

He can, but very few ever will. You stick with your calls. If you make them sound emphatic, some people will believe you are right when actually you are wrons.

WHAT ABOUT TV reruns that might prove an ump wrong?
What about them? The ump is a mighty man.

GETTING BACK to just "one off the rubber," if it's a wild pitch on a third strike or fourth ball and the ball winds up in the bench area or in the stands ... all the batter-runner can do is get to first."

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