



PRETTY EDNA CLARK, Detroit Race Course Club Party hostess, and Ronald Salmer, 6, of 30388 Westland, Linoia, visit with the thoroughbred horses on the Mall at the Wonderland Center. Daisy Zipper was the feature of the thoroughbred exhibit in connection with the Center's sixth birthday celebration.

# DRC Has Tight Race for Jockey, Trainer Honors

A tight battle for jockey honors, a belated bid by Jack Van Berg to retain his title as the top trainer, a prize contest for fans and eight major stakes races for attention as the 84-day Detroit Race Course meeting moves into its final three weeks.

An old timer and a promising youngster are engaged in the duel for riding honors. They are 44-year old Robert L. Baird, who has been a headliner at the DRC since the Linoia track opened in 1950 and James H. Bowdais, an 18-year old apprentice.

Bowdais had a 10-victory margin over Baird and appeared to be well on his way to the riding title when he received a five-day suspension from the Stewards.

During Bowdais' enforced absence Baird was in top form and won nine races. As a consequence when the youthful Baird resumed riding his advantage was cut to one victory.

Now, through the stretch run of the meeting the pair seem certain to remain in a tight battle. No other rival is in a position to threaten them.

A year ago, Apprentice Glynis Bernt and Danny Garand tied for riding honors with Bowdais and Baird. Baird and Baird have already topped that figure.

Van Berg, whose father, the

# Rocks Blasted In 52-0 Defeat

It's just a long, long year... What else can John McCall say? He took over as head football coach at Plymouth when the campaign began.

Now with the year better than half over, Plymouth still is to show a win. The Rocks have lost four and tied one.

Last Friday was a night the Rocks would just as soon forget. They knew they were up against a power in Trenton. But Plymouth never figured the game would end up the way it did—Trenton winning by a 52-0 score.

It was one of the most lopsided contests ever involving Plymouth team.

Trenton rolled to 165 yards in the first half and added 243 more in the second.

For Plymouth, the net yardage figure stood at a feeble 22 yards.

There was little McCall or any of his assistants could say. The unbroken-united down-

# Senior Citizens Need Bowlers In Linoia

If you're 55 years or older interested in bowling and desirous of becoming a member of a senior team, then officers of the Linoia Senior Citizens Bowling League are looking for you.

The league, which bowls at the Linoia Lanes and also has a traveling circuit, needs six to eight more bowlers to complete the roster of the 14 teams.

The league bowls on Thursdays at 1 p.m. at the Linoia Lanes for fun and recreation.

If you feel you'd like to join in this fun and recreation, call Mel Barker at GA 1-8588 or the Linoia Lanes and let his face be known.

# Raiders Surge on To 5th Victory

There's no checking North Farmington high school's football coach to succeed Franklin as Northwest League champions.

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# No Groans From East

No coach sings with joy after his team has been scalped by 42-0 score.

The Bill Wilson wasn't crying last Friday night when he left the gridiron following Garden City East's drubbing against Riverview.

"We knew that Riverview had much too much for us," declared Wilson.

All they have an all-veteran team, just about everybody back from last year's Mid-Wayne League championship.

"We were hard hit by graduation. (Only two of East's first 24 returned).

"We're playing mostly sophomores. Heck, we'll have veterans to throw against their new guys next year."

For Riverview, its win over East extended an unbeaten streak against Riverview to five. East has managed only one triumph since.

There were some bright spots for Garden City East.

Marvin Martin continued his great two-way play. He stole all the way on offense and defense.

Steve Fughan, East's young quarterback, also showed he'll

# OBSERVING SPORTS

By George Maskin

If you're a football bug, you may suggest an interesting weekend trip.

Why not skip down I-75 to Toledo, turn eastward on the Ohio Turnpike, follow it to the Canton exit and pull your buggy up to the entrance of Pro Football's Hall of Fame?

You'll find the time and money consumed more than worth your while.

We visited the Shrine last Wednesday when the Pistons invaded Canton where they scalped Wilt Chamberlain and the Philadelphia 76ers. We hadn't realized that the basketball arena was along side the football stadium (where the Lions lost to Washington in an exhibition, which in turn is along side the Hall of Fame building).

So we lured Morrie Moorawitnick and Bill Rodgers and hopped the 100-yard route in almost nothing.

It was just a shame that we had only 45 minutes at our disposal. To fully digest what the Shrine has to offer requires three or four hours.

To us the most thrilling of all the presentations were those honoring the great Earl (Dutch) Clark. That's because we have known the Dutchman for something like 20 years and frequently bump into him around the University of Detroit.

Dutch is ensnared at the Hall of Fame. His plaque stands with names like Cal Hubbard, Bronco Nagurski, Bob Waterfield, and many others.

You see the famed "No. 7" uniform that Clark wore when he was with the Lions. There, too, are his helmet, his jersey, his shoes.

There are films of the Lions in action in some of their most memorable moments and they have tapes of famed broadcasters from NBA cities recalling big moments of the past. You can listen to Van Patrick, Bob Reynolds, Don Kremer and Bruce Martyn heralding former feats of the Lions.

As you walk around the encircled shrine, you are amazed over the changes that have come in football equipment in 25 years. The football itself has been slimmer down from its once soccer-size to make it possible for passing to become the integral part of the game it now is.

The old helmet resembles the winter hats our little kids wear. There was no such item as a face guard.

The Shrine has its own library jammed with every book on football there is.

There are thousands.

There is a special theater where movies recap the championship games of years gone by.

One thing which disturbed us, however. No referees are saluted in the Shrine.

Somewhat, we feel that the men in the striped shirt have played a just as important a role as the players and the owners in putting across pro football.

Or for that matter, any sport.

Maybe the Shrine should herald men like Ron Gibbs or Charley Berry, two of the best with whistle the game of football ever has seen. Gibbs has quit working actively on the gridiron proper. He now sits in the press boxes and supervises the NFL arbiters.

But when we saw him a few weeks ago in Springfield, Ill., he looked fit enough to be able to keep pace with the modern gridiron warriors.

The admission to the Shrine is a buck for adults, less for youngsters.

You can stay as long as you wish.

They tell me that the fall is the best time to see the building. The crowds aren't as great. You aren't pushed in seeing what's to be seen.

The ride itself to Canton is comparatively a short one. Our bus took about four hours. By private car, you can make it in 3 1/2 hours. It's virtually all expressway.

The football shrine offers just another reason why we Americans should choose someplace within our own confines when looking for a place to visit.

Some day we want to go to Cooperstown, N.Y., where Baseball's Hall of Fame is located, and still another "must" for us is Springfield, Mass., and the new home of basketball's Hall of Fame.

# R. Union Swamped on Defense

How to have the offense and the defense click at the same time!

Coach John Rogers of Redford Union high's football team would like the answer.

Rogers was happy with the way the RU attack improved against Allen Park last Friday night.

But, oh, the RU defense.

The net result: Allen Park triumphed by a 32-18 score.

Yet, you wouldn't have guessed RU could have lost, by looking at the first downs fastidiously in the game. The Townshippers ran up 17 to just seven for the Parkers.

Yardage wise, Allen Park made 297 to Redford Union's 233.

"We just let them slip away for too many long runs," moaned Rogers after the game.

"It all started for the Parkers on the third game of the play. They had received the kickoff and moved for a couple yards."

Then John Jenkins drove over the line and roared for 62 yards. The Parkers led, 7-0.

Minutes later, another gallop carried the Parkers to the RU one from where Jenkins pushed in for the marker.

Redford Union stormed back to start the second quarter. Rod Ferguson broke away on a six-yarder and it looked for a moment like the Townshippers were ready to do something.

But the RU defense went to Bill Szoszek on the Parker 15. He ran up the middle, did a fancy step or two... and there he was all himself with RU men chasing him.

He wasn't caught and the Parkers had improved their lead to 14-0.

Once more, RU bounced back. This time on a 19-yard pass from Glen Davis to Mark Ross to make the score stand 19-12 at halftime.

The lone score in the third period came on an 18-yard run by Szoszek.

Earlier in the fourth, Ross struck paydirt for RU on a seven-yard run and the score stood at 26-18.

But before the final buzzer, Jim Pailing of Allen Park picked off a RU pass and scored 63 yards to put the game out of reach.

Now it's RU vs. Plymouth this Friday night. Both teams are struggling to record wins, but this won't mean a thing in a game between such arch rivals.

# St. Agatha 'Lucky' to Tie, 13-13

St. Agatha high's football team made the most of two breaks Sunday.

The results: a 13-13 standoff against Vpsanti St. John's.

But Coach John Trellay of St. Agatha had to admit his team was lucky.

"They pushed us around pretty good," he said. "Yet, we easily could have beaten them, and then were fortunate that we didn't lose it."

Here's what happened:

St. John's moved with the opening kickoff to the St. Agatha four. Then followed a fumble which was picked by Larry Rigley.

He didn't stop running until 90 yards later and a touchdown. A Mike Walzmark to John Mancoske pass sealed the point.

Not much later, St. John's fumbled again. This time around midfield.

Walzmark quickly fired a scoring pass to Sam Swenney, sophomore, to make it 13-0 for St. Agatha at half time.

The score remained that way until the last period when a St. Agatha fumble on its 30 led to St. John's first touchdown. The try was good and the Townshippers clung to the lead, 13-7.

St. Agatha had the ball with two minutes to go on its own 25. It was just a matter of running out the clock.

But on a rollout, the ball was bobbed. St. John's linebacker made the tackle and ran for the touchdown.

This tied the score at 13-13.

St. John's still could win it by converting. But St. Agatha banged up the runner and was able to walk off the field with a tie.

# Pacers to Open On Thursday In Windsor

Over 500 standardbreds, most of them familiar to racing fans of the Detroit and Windsor vicinity, are stabled, poised and ready to open the initial meeting of Windsor Raceway, Thursday evening.

In addition to those now occupying Windsor's barns, Racing Secretary Joe De Frank will also have at his disposal another 150 head that will be quartered of nearby farms and "commute" to the track.

A portion of the regulars scheduled to compete during the 51 night stand through Dec. 18 include Ray Gauthier and a dog en of his string from Hazel Park, Fred Goudreau with another 12 from the East Side Detroit oval, Wally Macmillan (12), Warren Macmillan (4), Mac McQuarrie (12), James and Tom Merriman (10) and Howard Niles (10).

Heading the Wally Macmillan-race contingent will be the consistently popular mare, Imperial Gal, and the four-year-old Yellow Bird.

The minus 51 yards rushing to which Michigan State held Michigan in 1965 set a defensive record for the Spartans in that department in Big Ten competition.

# Brothers Pace Trojans Harriers

Clarensville high's cross-country brother act of Gary and Larry Buchheit continues to make money.

Gary remained unbeaten with brother Larry second last Friday as the Trojans knocked off Northville, 15-50.

Clarensville runners grabbed off the first eight spots in the meet.

# LaFond's 3 TD's Win for Seniors

It may require a cage to check Cliff LaFond, Our Lady of Sorrows' great halfback.

He has become the finest runner in the school's grid history. So says Bud Webster, a man who should know.

Webster coaches at Sorrows and has for a long time.

A week ago, LaFond scampered for 177 yards.

Last Sunday he outdid himself as Sorrows struck from a 13-0 deficit to beat Nativity.

All LaFond did was:

1—Pick up 255 yards in 23 carries, which is an average of 12.5 yards.

2—Score all three Sorrows touchdowns.

3—Add one extra point.

It was a wide-open game. Sorrows rushed for 418 yards and picked up 69 more passing. Nativity garnered 195 yards on the ground and 211 more through the air.

But Sorrows was able to adjust, defensively, in the second half, to hold back Nativity.

Two long bombs had put Nativity in front, 19-0, in the first quarter. Mike Vitale tossed 55 yards to Jerry Sommers for the first score and then hit the job done against Nativity.

At the moment, North Farmington stands 5-0 with a 3-0 record in the league.

Paul Santangelo turned in the "hat trick" in pacing Thurston to its conquest against Oak Park.

The fleet junior halfback scratched for three touchdowns.

First he went 30 yards to the end zone.

Next came a 24-yard dash into paydirt.

Finally, Santangelo turned loose on a 16-yard gallop that landed him in the end zone.

Oak Park had its problems with Thurston's crackerjack pass defense which picked off five passes.

One of the interceptions was Reggie Barringer who turned the grab into the afternoon's most spectacular scoring dash. Barringer threaded his way (for 70 yards to the goal line, a half dozen times, he had to work his way free from would-be tacklers.

Dan Harris' fine toe accounted for three of the four Thurston conversions.

# Thurston Romps, Now For Battle

It'll be do or die for Thurston high school's football team this Saturday against North Farmington.

The Townshippers must come forth with a victory over the Raiders to keep alive their bid for a title in the Northwest Suburban League.

Once beaten in the loop, Thurston should be ready for Saturday's clash at North Farmington.

Turning loose a brilliant all-around effort, Thurston swarmed over Oak Park by a 27-0 score last Saturday.

"This was a dandy," said Coach Bill McDonald. "I think if we play like this, we can get the job done against North Farmington."

Sorrows fought back with one touchdown in the second period and won it with two more scores in the fourth.

With LaFond and Dave Hickey pounding away, Sorrows pushed to the Nativity five from where LaFond went through on a dive for the TD.

Sorrows' conversion left Sorrows trailing, 13-7 at halftime.

After a scoreless third period, Bob Urban intercepted a pass for Sorrows and returned it 14 yards to the Nativity 34. Two plays later, LaFond cut a swing pass from Jim McGrath and scooted for a touchdown.

A penalty nullified the extra point on the first try, but then Jim Barnes went over from the eight to put Sorrows on top, 14-7.

Late in the game, a great Nativity punt stopped dead on the Sorrows' eight. On the next play, LaFond ripped through, going 92 yards to put the game out of reach. Again Barnes ran the point.

This Sunday, it's St. Rita at Sorrows.

# Risk Records

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Colman clicked on four of eight for 72 yards. Belleville picked up 65 yards the air.

Friday's game at Trenton figures to attract upwards of 4,000 fans. It shapers up as the "game-of-the-week" in the suburbs.

"We won't have any problems getting our kids up for this one," says Bentley coach Joier.

Neither will Trenton's coach.

Michigan State assistant basketball coach Bob "Bevo" Nordman has an outstanding center at St. Louis U. under Coach John Benington, now his boss at MSU.

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