

IN THE POCKET

By W.W. EDGAR

You won't find her name listed among the champions, but Sue Lynch, the 16-year-old who bowls in the Traveling Classic at Garden Lanes, stamped her name indelibly into the records of the Women's International Bowling Congress last week in Kansas City.

A graduate of the American Junior Bowling Congress, she posted games of 212, 234 and 236 for a 682 series to take second place in the singles—a feat almost unheard of for a girl bowling in her first major tournament.

Tenaed with Bev Patterson, a 19-year-old from Troy, they were the youngest doubles combination ever to bowl in the national tournament and she had a 542 and a 578 in the team event for a nine-game total of 1802 and third place in the all-events.

ASIDE FROM HER bowling Sue's name was on everyone's tongue for another reason.

Just as she was about to start bowling she suddenly discovered that her slacks were split. That would have upset most any bowler. But not Sue.

The little 5'6" lass just borrowed a pair from her six-foot partner, rolled them over at the waist line and went about setting the bowling world a glow.

It was a great climax, to a great year for little Sue.

As a member of the Eddie Coy 3-4-9 team she bowled in three leagues and posted averages of 186, 186 and 182.

So, paste her name in your hat. You'll be hearing more about her.

METROPOLITAN Detroit's strongest bowling team—Stroh's—is breaking up again.

As the season closed, Mike Smardzja, who has starred on the combination for several years, and the veteran Bob

Kwolek, one of the top average bowlers in the all-star classic, submitted their resignations.

Smardzja cited the extensive travel that gave him very little home life and is sufficient time to tend to his business as his reason for leaving the team. Kwolek, in leaving for the second time, is taking a new position in Ohio.

It is understood that the survivors—Capt. Bob Crawford, Mike Totsky, the city's top average bowler, Dale Seavoy, and Harry Campbell will be back on the firing line.

No announcements have been made regarding the successors to Smardzja and Kwolek.

WITH THE closing of the Detroit Woman's Bowling Association tournament over the weekend, the Motown Record team walked off with most of the actual scoring honors.

While Lily Marcacelle's "Swing Wonders" was the handicap section with 310, Motown took the actual pin crown with a 2804. And Livella Brown, of Motown, took the actual all-events with 1778.

In the handicap division Jo Ann Bern and Jolly Jolleycard teamed for a 1302 to win the doubles and Charlene Coppa paced the handicap singles with 1962.

THERE WAS good reason for the broad smile on Doc Reinsh's face at Westland Bowl last week.

The good doctor, one of the most enthusiastic of all bowlers, came through with a 610 series in the all-star league. After a rather fair 177 he followed with 228 and closed with 204 which was real tonic—even for him.

Tony Monastiere paced the league with a 694 on games of

237, 202 and 255. Right behind came Fred Vitali with closing 276 for 685 and Bert Newby, with a 289 opener, landed third on 684. Other high scores included Marc Milosevich with a 247 in 673.

MARLENE PINK'S Masters' Lounge team won a three way rolloff to take the Forest Park Lanes League title at Country Lanes. The other teams involved were the Shenk Construction combination and Blackner Equipment.

WITH A SCORE 66 pins over her average Yvonne Dainty won the Nite Owls title at Mayflower Lanes.

BOB WALKER, with a 693, showed the way in the Garden Lanes Classic. At this figure he had a 17 pin margin over John Grenrod. Tom Ranes landed third with 666.

Others with double century figures included Bob Rose, Richard Brennan and Henry Baskin, all tied at 652.

KERL OTTONERRI waited until the last night to set a high in the Lady of Sorrows League at Bel-Aire Lanes. She liked 234, 226 and 123 for a 623.

Ralph Sinek topped the men with a 270 in 620. In the doubles George Howes had a 269 and Jack Brown a 648.

In the Senior House League Ron Watson was high with 696 and Steve Kielian a 667.

MRS. MARGE KROPACEK, a member of the Saunders Mix-Ups—the Suburban Traveling League, had the bowling thrill of her life last week in Kansas City.

Bowling in the WIBC tournament she rolled a 575 in the team event, 552 in the doubles and 551 in the singles and saw her name in sixth place in the all-events on the big board as she left the building.



FINNISH BOWLING CHAMPIONS TOUR—After competing in America's national women's bowling tournament in Kansas City a week ago, the two top bowlers in Helsinki—and Finland—visited Helen Weston, one of Detroit's All-Stars and a former world champion. While here, they paid a visit to the Observer Newspapers plant to see how a modern American newspaper is produced, and to visit W.W. Edgar, conductor of the "In The Pocket" bowling column. From left: Elja Krogerus, an accountant from Helsinki; Lea Hikoski, an IBM operator from Helsinki; Miss Weston, Edgar and Emily Woody, production department typesetter. (Observer photo)

Prep Schedule

BASEBALL SATURDAY AT HARRISON Wayne vs Harrison AT WARRE MEMORIAL H. Farmington vs Thurston AT REDFORD UNION Carmichael vs Borgess Plymouth vs RU AT BENTLEY Bentley vs Farmington Chubb vs Glenn AT PLYMOUTH Franklin vs GC West Stevenson vs St. Agatha	DEARBORN at RU Berkley at Southfield Lathrup at Waterford
TRACK SATURDAY Regional track meets at Farmington, Ypsilanti	
TUESDAY Carmichael at Andover GC East vs Wayne Northwest Suburban league meet at Chubb High	
MONDAY Groves at Thurston Borgess at Gabriel Richard WL Central at Farmington Northville at Harrison Franklin at Oak Park Ann Arbor at GC East GC West at Cherry Hill Glenn at NF Kimball at Southfield Lathrup at Northern Waterford at Stevenson	WEDNESDAY Suburban Eight league meet at Belleville Inter-Lakes league meet at Farmington Suburban Six league meet at Mott
TUESDAY St. Agatha at St. Andrews RU at Bentley Catholic Central at Rice Liggett at Country Day Plymouth at Allen Park	TENNIS MONDAY Glenn at NF Rice at U-D GC West at Cherry Hill Lathrup at Northern Groves at Thurston Crestwood at GC East Bentley at Tarrant Franklin at Oak Park
WEDNESDAY Oak Park at Thurston NF at Groves Borgess at Bishop Riley Churchill at WL Western Farmington at Lathrup Kentonia at Harrison Glenn at Franklin Taylor Center at GC East Kennedy at GC West Southfield at Southfield Stevenson at Northern	WEDNESDAY Churchill at WL Western Oak Park at Thurston Glenn at Franklin Oak Park at Bentley NF at Groves Farmington at Lathrup Kennedy at GC West DelaSalle at Rice
THURSDAY Penick Catholic at Borgess Country Day at Harper Woods RU at Cranbrook	GIRLS TRACK WEDNESDAY Stevenson at Northville Thurston at NF Oak Park at Groves Franklin vs Glenn at Bentley
FRIDAY WL Central at Stevenson St. Agatha at AA St. Thomas Allen Park at Bentley Austin at Rice Northern at Farmington Lutheran W. at GC East Plymouth at Edsel Ford	FRIDAY Stevenson at WL Western
	GIRLS SOFTBALL WEDNESDAY Andover at Clarencville

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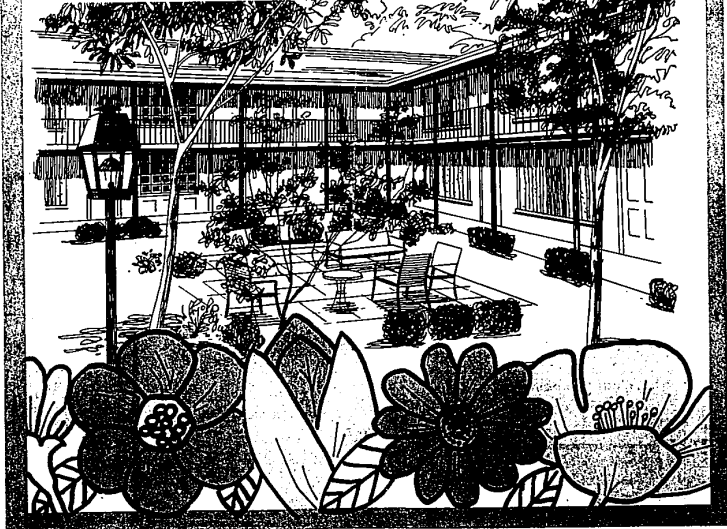
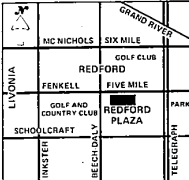
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Turf Tips, Quips

By Doc Minard

Business is good at Wolverine Raceway, and the bettors will be presented to the betting public tonight (Saturday) with a total of \$48,700 up for grabs in the 10 races.

That is the most ever offered by the track for a regular program and it has brought the most outstanding card of the entire year... best ever for the 50 nights of Wolverine's winter-spring meeting.

Time was when the biggest purse of the evening was \$5,000 for the fastest class pacers or trotters. Tonight the top pacers will go for \$10,000 with two preferred events with purses of \$6,000 each.

It certainly is a far cry from the Saturday programs of as recent as three years back. Then the purses for 10 races totaled around \$30,000 and the horsemen considered that as excellent pay for an evening's work.

Now the owners of the fast class pacers and trotters are complaining mildly about the \$10,000 prices.

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BE THAT as it may, there'll be horseshoe flying in all directions as the pacers... there isn't anything else on the card... do battle for the rich purses.

For instance, the \$10,000 invitational is headed by Game Gene, a four year old with three consecutive victories in times of 2:04.2, 2:00.1 and 2:00.3.

If the track remains fast, then there is every reason to believe that the winner of the feature will have to better 2:00 for a victory. And if so, it would be only the second sub-2:00 mile of the meeting.

Appropo, a three year old owned by Katherine Eastin of Wayne, is the only one to break the 2:00 barrier during the first 50 nights of the 84 night campaign. The son of Knight Time did it two weeks back in 1:59.3.

This time Appropo is entered in the seventh race which goes for \$6,000 and lists a field of seven.

Most of the attention will be focused on the invitational where Game Gene faces five challengers, each of which is capable of hitting the wire in less than 2:00 and thus of winning.

THE LIST includes: Raye Forsyth's Local Time, who sped to a 1:58.1 mile a year ago in a losing effort and is just now regaining that form; Knox Patch, who held the track record for the better part of two years; Tricky Dale, from the Bob Kalish stable, who has won three invitational; Shilaway Lad, handled by Chris Boring, who has been flitting with 2:02 in most of his races this spring; and Gene Riegler's Baby Tears, a six year old with winnings of \$62,000 and a time of 1:59.2 a year ago.

That should be enough speed and experience to keep the crowd on edge from the start to the finish of the mile.

The seventh race, a preferred with a \$65,000 purse, has seven starters including such fast ones as: Chief

Okemos, Appropo, Bedford Jet, Prince Knox, Mighty Fire, Keystone Aaron and Aksel Hanover.

The second preferred event, the fifth race with \$6,000 in the pot, also lists seven starters. Heading the group is Sid Lockhart's ancient Gaviland, an eight year old with earnings of \$188,000 who can still go with the best.

The others include: Saratoga Dale, Shado Travel, Baron Philip, Beta Bill, Johnny G. and Kimtruder.

The three races are the best of what could be tabbed as Wolverine's top program of the 50 nights.

WORD FROM Lexington, Ky. is that Wolverine's ailing racing secretary Bill Connors is recovering from the heart attack he suffered here almost a month ago.

Bill was taken to his home two weeks back and had a slight setback shortly after arriving. However, a couple of days in the Lexington hospital and he was himself again.

Whether Bill will be back for any of the Wolverine meeting remains to be seen. He is making plans to return for the Hazel Park campaign beginning in August.

THERE ISN'T any question in the minds of anyone close to harness racing but that Wolverine is in the midst of its best season.

The first ones to attest to that are the horsemen who received a fourth hike in purses a few nights ago, effective with Monday's races.

The new increase boosts the minimum to an all-time high of \$1,800. Just imagine the horses went for a \$1,300 minimum two months ago and now are competing for purses unheard of a few years back.

The latest hike boosts purses for the lower class events by \$200 and the top races by \$300.

Thus, the \$7,200 invitational will go for no less than \$7,500 for the remainder of the meeting and for \$10,000 when stand-out horses are shipped in.