

OU swimmers take Motor City meet

Oakland University swimmers won the eighth annual Motor City Invitational Championship for the second consecutive year. The Pioneers out-distanced Notre Dame to collect 781 points to runner-up Notre Dame's

661 points. Northern Michigan finished third with 655 points followed by Bradley University with 268.

The Oakland leaders captured five individual first places led by Gary Laugier's two victories. Laugier won the 100 and 200 yard backstrokes with respective times of 36.7 and 2:02.2.

Paul Karas, last year's 500 yard freestyle National Champion, won his specialty in a meet record time of 4:50.1. Tim Brooks set a meet and school record with his 200 yard breaststroke in 2:16.

The Pioneers set a meet record in winning the 800 yard freestyle relay as Tom Boyd, Rod Mitchell, Kevin Kirchner, and Paul Karas were clocked in 7:15.

Karas gained two second place finishes with a school record 1:30.4 performance in the 200 yard butterfly and a 1:46.6 clocking in the 200 yard freestyle. Tim Brooks was second in the 100 yard breaststroke time in 1:52.2. Tom Boyd finished second to Northern Michigan's Dave Bradshaw by one tenth of a second in the 1050 freestyle.

Lary Christensen, Jim Hanson, Dale Kelley, Mark Herzhberger, and Byron Gibbs consistently placed in the top eight finishers to gain valuable points.

Women cagers finish season

The Oakland University women's basketball team finished its season with a 53-51 loss to league rival Saginaw Valley. The loss lowered the Pioneers' record to 8-7 for the season and 4-4 in conference play.

The 4-4 record against league competition was good for third place behind conference champion Grand Valley State, College and runner-up Ferris State.

Sophomore Diane Zatkoff led Oakland scoring against Saginaw Valley with 15 points while Nancy Guntow had 14 and Julianne Brooks added 10.

Nancy Guntow led the women in scoring with a 15 points per game average while Zatkoff and Brooks averaged 10 points apiece.

OU cagers season 5-22

"A disappointing season but not a disaster," is how Oakland University basketball coach Gene Boldon describes this year's results. After four consecutive winning seasons, the Pioneer cagers dropped to a 5-22 record, the worst in the school's history, and a 2-4 conference mark. Boldon looks on the brighter side, "we gained some valuable experience, the rough treatment we received this year will make ours a better team next season."

Junior Kevin Williams, a starter for the past two seasons, was the only player with any real varsity experience. He averaged 10 points and 11.7 rebounds this season and 10 points and 13.3 rebounds against league opponents. Another junior, Craig Covington, also saw plenty of playing time as a starter.

The young freshmen were led by guards Ellis Stephens and Lewis Bryant who won starting assignments for their aggressive play. Ellis averaged 13 points a game while Lewis carried an 11 point average after breaking into the starting line-up. Ellis' 18.3 average in conference action was good for fourth place among league scorers. The fifth starting position was usually shared between freshmen Perry James, John Gardner, and Derek Leonard.

Coach Boldon and assistant Steve Mahoney, former Madison Heights Lamphere coach, have been viewing high school tournament games almost nightly in search of talented ball players. "We need some front-line help,

someone to assist Kevin with inside scoring and rebounding," said Boldon. Except for one trip to Kalamazoo, the recruiting has been limited to the Tri-County area, especially Oakland County. Such familiar Oakland County names as Weiss-Kettering, Miller, Lake Orion, McGowan, West Bloomfield, Gervais-Kimball, and McCool-Stevenson are players that Boldon believes would be an asset to Oakland's program.

Detroit public school players like Keiser-Henry Ford, Knight-North-eastern, King-Murray Wright, and Harris-Kettering would also be "welcome additions to our programs," according to Boldon.

"We have the nucleus for an excellent team next season," says Boldon. Strength at the guard position with returnees Stephens, Bryant, and Covington, the continued excellent play of Kevin Williams, the return of leading scorer Tim Billingslea, and the addition of a couple of returners who can play in defense should be enough to reverse the 5-22 record of this season.

Horse owner is honored

Al Rosenberg of Southfield, co-owner of the paper Huff N Puff, was honored by the Harness Tracks of America at their annual convention in Boca Raton, Florida last week.

The HTA, an association of 50 major pari-mutuel harness racetracks in the United States and Canada, presented Rosenberg with the antique English silver trophy emblematic of national championship among pacing mares five-years-old and over.

Huff N Puff, owned by Rosenberg in partnership with Joseph Secco of Oak Park, recorded 11 victories, four seconds and five thirds in 30 starts last year. Campaigning as a five-year old during the 1974 season, the Michigan-bred daughter of Adios Cleo and Patsy Strong turned in three sub-3:00 miles, including a 1:59.1 trip at Wolverine Raceway.

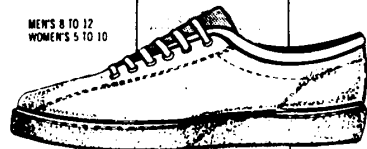
Signs with Mets

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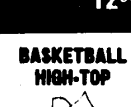
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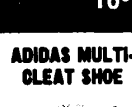
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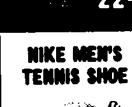
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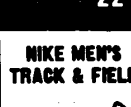
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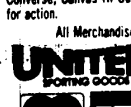
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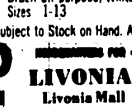
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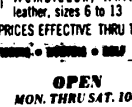
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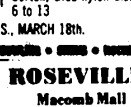
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