

Glenn High Star Blanks Garden City, 5-0

Two Out, Fisher Sees No-Hitter Vanish

Dramatics marked the finish of Nankin's 5-0 victory over Garden City in the Greater Livonia League Free Press Baseball League.

Larry Fisher, who'll become a senior at Glenn High in the fall, had a no-hitter going.

There were two out in the seventh and final inning.

All that stood between Fisher and the dream all pitchers strive to achieve was Larry

Shanks. But Shanks had a job to do... and he did it, lashing a single to ruin Fisher's no-hit effort.

The Fisher got the next man to gain the shutout conquest as he fanned four and walked four.

AL SMITH, recently returned from Adrian College where he won All-MIAA honors, was the big man with the bat for Nankin.

He stepped in the first inning to help Nankin score twice. In the third, he singled and scored again after a steal of second and an error.

After Kerry Webb singled and scored on Chuck Sheetz's double in the fourth, Smith singled again in the fifth and came around to score the final Nankin run.

Equally as dramatic was the way Nankin downed Farmington-Keating 4-2, the next day in the

windup of a doubleheader after Keating had taken the opener, 6-0.

The Nankin-Keating nightcap was a shutout until the sixth as Webb, for Nankin hooked up in a brilliant duel with Keating's Dan Wolfman.

Then in the sixth, Smith walked, Carl Goodney followed with a homer.

Archie Letz walked and Sheetz slammed one for a homer.

Keating bounced back for its two runs in the bottom of the sixth on singles by Bob Graese, Don Peterson and Bill Bullock.

BOB HENKE dished up the 6-0 shutout for Keating when he fanned three and walked three.

Keating scored in the first when Scott Jantz knocked in two runs with a single after Graese

slid and singled and John Barth and Garry Carr walked.

Then in the fifth, Keating wrapped up matters with four runs. After Carr was safe on an error, Henke, Jantz, Bullock and Larry Brover singled in a row. A sacrifice and two walks ended the uprising.

Sneeaps started the other two Sunday doubleheaders. Redford downed Northville, 7-2 and 1-0, and Cardinal Decorating of Livonia

downed Garden City, 2-1 and 14-0.

Northville, first half winner in the Free Press League, now has dropped three in a row in the second half while Redford and Cardinal have jumped off with 2-0 starts.

TIM CARR beat Jeff Taylor in the first Redford-Northville game. Carr from Thurston High, fanned seven and allowed three hits -- one a sin-

gle by Stu Mirider, which knocked out both Northville runs.

Leland Björke doubled in the first two Redford runs in the fourth. In the fifth, hits by Kirk Taylor, Carr, Faisey, Ben Howe, and L. Björke added three more runs.

Joe Himmelspach homered in the sixth, and then Taylor singled and Carr doubled for the final Redford run.

It was Dale Björke, allowing four hits, the master over ex-Flymouth high star Rick Filmore, who gave up six hits, in the 1-0 nightcap thriller.

The two hurlers were locked in a scoreless battle until the seventh when Jim Powers singled. He stole second, took third on a balk and scored on Faisey's sacrifice fly.

Northville squandered a good chance in the first inning by loading the bases.

Children Of Tigers' Show Dads How To Win



(Left) Mickey McLaughlin grabs his father's glove and awaits a throw from the catcher. But tiny Wendy Hiller isn't a bit interested in the game -- she has discovered something on the baseline. (Right) Mickey Trish sticks out his

tongue and takes a full swing at the ball -- just like his father Tom. Wanta know -- he gave the ball a good ride.

(Left) Denny McLain, Sr. carries Denny Jr. to the plate for his turn to bat. Junior doesn't seem to be too happy about the whole thing while Dad has a big smile. (Right) A tearful Junior is carried back to his mother by Daddy after doing what most pitchers do -- strikeouts.

(Observer photos by Harry Mauthe)

2nd Half Start Happy For Redford

The second half of the Class A baseball season in the Greater Livonia League quickly produced a happy result -- at least for Redford Township.

During the first round, Red-

ford lost four in a row to Hubert Realty of Livonia, which swept on to emerge as the champ.

But when the second round began, it was Redford

by a 6-5 count over Hubert, thanks to a comeback in the fifth inning when Gary Schaefer tripled, Bruce Johnson singled, Big Barringer singled and then Dave Woloch slammed a triple.

Redford had started in high with a two-run first inning when Mark Carow and Garry Schaefer singled and each stole a base and Barringer singled.

IN THE POCKET

By W.W. EDGAR

The Hamlin family that long has been associating with bowling in Farmington wrote a new chapter into the history of the temple sport this week when three of its members were named to the All-State teams.

The honored trio--two boys and girl--are the children of Fred Hamlin, owner of Farmington Lanes.

Bobby and James, who earlier in the season won the state doubles championship in the Peasant Division, were named to the honor roll in that group, while Barbara won a place on the prep girls team.

IT WAS THE first time three members of a single family were named to an All-State team. It beat the record posted by the Warren Hoffman family who formerly lived in Plymouth, when Jill and Wes, the two children, won positions on the mythical team a year ago.

Two other Observersland bowlers were given places on the All-State selections.

Darcy Flynn and Rich DeLuca, representatives of Livonia Lanes, were placed on the junior teams. It marked the third consecutive year that Livonia Lanes junior bowlers were honored on the All-State selections and the second year in a row that Darcy was named.

CECIL WARD, well known sponsor of junior bowling, celebrated the happiest birthday of his life during the Freedom Festival tournament in which home and home matches were held between the Detroit area stars and their Canadian rivals.

"It is the first time in my 10 years of promoting the Freedom

Festival tournament that the bowling day fell on my birthday," he said, "and what a time I had."

"We had 62 teams of juniors and 108 teams of adults for a new record and you wouldn't believe it, but we had a birthday cake that was 42 feet long."

Incidentally, Cecil, who also sponsored a bowling party at Northville Downs each year, was 73 years old on his birthday.

ANOTHER MAJOR CLASSIC is going to make its debut in Observersland next season.

Thirty-two teams have been signed at Garden Lanes and the rosters include many of the all stars who compete on Tuesday and Thursday in the All-Star Classic.

Numerically, the Garden Lanes Classic will match the Westland circuit that has been in operation for the past few years.

Sandlot Schedule

AMERICAN LEGION

Wednesday - Farmington at Watertford, 6 p.m.

Friday - Farmington at Troy, 8 p.m.

CLASS A

Wednesday - Redford vs. Northville Merchants, Thurston; Plymouth K.C. vs. Village Rambler, Plymouth. Games at 6 p.m.

GONNIE MACK

Thursday - Phillips vs. Northville, Northville; Farmington vs. Plymouth Elks, Plymouth; Farmington vs. Livonia, Livonia; Spartans, North Farmington; Cass Benton, Bryant; Walker, Cass Benton.

Friday - Redford vs. Nankin, Thurston; Keating vs. Darin, Garden City; Northville vs. Cardinal, Northville. Games at 6 p.m.

McKay's Partyville vs. Ratiem, Ford, 8 p.m.

Saturday - Rogien vs. Spartans, Ford; Big Boy vs. Chester, Cass Benton; Eddie Moss vs. Phillips, N. Farmington; McKay's Partyville vs. Northville, Bryant; Walker vs. Warholak, Thurston; Holman vs. D'Elano, Plymouth; Hubert vs. B&V, Haggerty. Games at 8 p.m.; Tom's vs. Allen, Ford, 8:30.

FREE PRESS LEAGUE

Wednesday - Northville vs. Nankin, Ford, 8 p.m.; Redford vs. Farmington, Farmington; Redford vs. Livonia Cardinal, Cass Benton, 8 p.m.

Friday - Redford vs. Nankin, Thurston; Keating vs. Darin, Garden City; Northville vs. Cardinal, Northville. Games at 6 p.m.

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