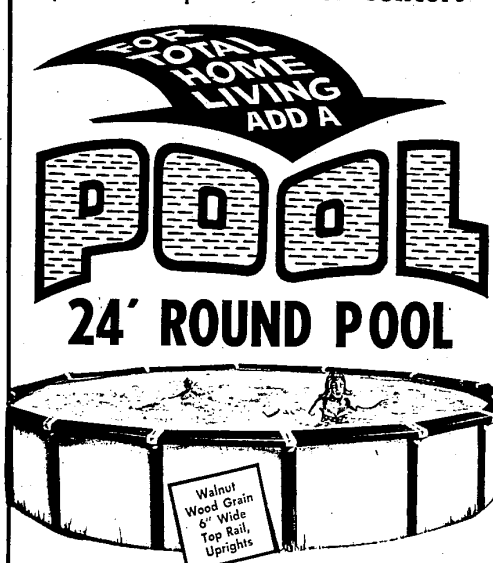


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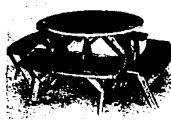
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THROUGH THE FENCE — This is the way a sandlot baseball game looks through a hole in the cyclone fence. Observer Photographer Craig Gaffield snapped this shot during Sunday's games at Ford Field in Livonia.

\$115 Longshot Wins Northville Derby

Butch's Time, a slick four year old pacer from Aurora, O., recorded one of the biggest upsets in Northville Downs history when he outpaced Rhyll, the odds-on favorite, to win the 19th renewal of the Michigan Pacing Derby Wednesday before a crowd of 4,458.

Placed in the mutual field because of his No. 10 post position, Butch's Boy, owned by V. C. Cochran of Aurora, O., went off at better than 56-1 odds and paid a record \$115.20 — most ever in the Derby.

The previous high payout was the \$75.60 for Express Hal's victory in 1951.

RHYLL, the six year old from the powerful Stanley Dancer stable of New Egypt, N. J., left the post as the 2-5 favorite off his recent victory in 2:00.4 at Yonkers Raceway.

But even the presence of the masterful Dancer in the sulky wasn't enough this time although he played all the part of a favorite by taking the lead from the start and holding it to the midway point in the stretch.

Rhyll duelled with Cashing Beauty, the five year old owned by Margaret Carpenter of Curfice, O., and R. M. Stone, a seven year old from the Glen Harmer stable of Utica, for half of the mile, turning the first quarter in :30 and the half in 1:01. Butch's Time was sixth at the quarter and moved up to fourth at the halfway point.

RHYLL was still in front at the three quarter mark in 1:31.3 and appeared on the way to a victory even though Butch's Time was coming up fast on the outside and Cashing Beauty was pressing the issue in the No. 2 hole.

Then as the field turned into the stretch, Rhyll suddenly started to wilt with a sixteenth to go. That's when Driver Dick Wood sent Butch's Time storming down the middle; he roared past Rhyll to win by more than two lengths in 2:01.1.

CASHING BEAUTY, also closed fast and managed to hang on for third by a neck behind Rhyll. Way To Go, a seven year old owned by the Glenhurst Racing Stable of Birmingham, was another length back in the fourth spot.



By W.W. EDGAR

Ted Baketselos, the big Greek bowler who boasted the highest average in Observerland last season, finally is going big time.

In a general shake-up of the John Ivory and Alexander Hornung teams in the All-Star Classic, Ted has been signed by the Ivory quintet.

Joining him on the Movers is Ray Williams. They will replace Don Way and Pat Lanzetta, who switched to the Alexander-Hornung combination after a year's absence.

In another switch Hal Jolley is moving over to the Coca Cola team.

Many other changes are rumored among the lower average teams. But, according to all reports, Johnny Ruperio is going to stand pat with the Stroh combination.

WHILE there may not be many changes among top teams there are rumors along the length of the front that at least four of the All-Star teams will be without

sponsors.

Hank Gulewek and Ray Petty who have jointly sponsored a team for years, finally have called it a day in the pursuit of the all-star championship. Jim Trevelor and Sal Tempe, who piloted teams under various sponsors last season, again are listed in the "orphans" division, while Michigan Shelving also has withdrawn from the circuit.

ONE OF the big puzzles is the fact that Dick Beattie, Observerland's top southpaw and one of the leading southpaws in the state, is being passed over by the All-Star teams.

Dick finished high on the average list and was considered the best bowler at Wonderland Lanes last season. As a matter of fact, Observerland's top southpaw, Dick Beattie, and one of the best right-handers in the state, Ted Baketselos, who averaged close to 220 in the Industrial Circuit at Westland.

FOR THE third year in a row there has been a 100 per cent response from the leagues affiliated with the Detroit Bowling Association for the annual year book.

According to Tom McKay, secretary of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association, the year book again will contain the averages of more than 140,000 bowlers.

It is now considered the most complete year book sponsored by any bowling association in the country. It will be off the presses on Aug. 25.

LARRY Kellogg, well known All-Star bowler who appears throughout the area during the season, added his name to the list of "300" bowlers in the summer leagues. He rolled 12 strikes in a row at Harbor Lanes.

LEONARD Schemanske, of Livonia, will be installed as president of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association with fitting ceremonies at Mr. P's at 14 Mile Road and Van Dyke on Thursday, July 31. His uncle, Judge Frank Schemanske, of Recorder's Court, will officiate.

By George Maskin

observing sports

How good is the calibre of amateur baseball played in the Greater Livonia area?

It shapes up with the best in the state, perhaps even better than anywhere else, and that includes Detroit.

Remember last year?

Redford Township out of the Greater Livonia Free Press League carried the state banner into the national All America Boys tournament at Altoona, Pa.

From the Detroit League, operated by the Friendly Free Press, went highly touted Adray Appliance.

And what happened?

Adray and Redford met head-on. Redford won, knocking the Detroiters out, and going on to reach the national finals before finally being ousted.

THE RESULT WAS SHOCKING to many ... especially one Morris Moorawniak, the best statistician for sports the state knows. Morrie always accompanies the Detroit teams to tournaments. They've been good—darn good—over the years. They've won the state championship. But to have a team from the suburbs leave a Detroit entry ... that left Morrie a little limp, although he was still strong enough to rebound and accompany us down to Houston and the Astrodomes a few months later.

Free trips and free food are something that Morrie never passes up.

Nor does he pass up any opportunities to score baseball games.

He was in Tiger Stadium the other afternoon when four teams of All-Stars from the Free Press League performed.

One team came out of the Livonia League ... a second from Detroit ... a third from the Midland sector ... a fourth from Oakland County.

Morrie had to admit that the most impressive of the teams was the Livonia bunch which beat the best of Oakland County, 6-1.

"Yep, they hustled and looked right smart," confessed Morrie.

He argued about whether the Livonia-area kids were better than, say, the Detroiters. After all, to admit as much might cost Morrie a free ride to the national tournament next month. And wouldn't that be a tragedy?

OTHERS IN THE STANDS, like the various major league scouts, continued to be impressed by the upswing in amateur baseball around Livonia.

"It's really something the way the program out there has advanced," said Louie D'Annunzio, the veteran Tiger scout.

"Time was when we didn't pay much attention to what was going on around that area. There'd be an occasional player who rated attention."

"But now we start looking at the kids when they're 15 in high school because they have some fine young prospects in the schools. You never know."

The Tigers are happy they signed Harry Kendrick, the ex-Redford Union High star who had three fine seasons at Michigan State. Kendrick already is doing well in the minors.

The Cincinnati Reds made Bernie Carbo from Franklin High a first-round draft pick a few years ago. Bernie now is one of the top hitters in the Pacific Coast League and would appear about ready to land himself a promotion to the majors.

Redford Union's Rick Clark failed in his first try with the California Angels. But he's doing right well for Honolulu and the word is that the Angels probably will call Clark back in the near future.

Farmington Rips 'Old' Friend, 5-3

Friendship means nothing on the sports battlefronts.

During the high school baseball season Greg Main was a teammate of most members of the current Farmington American Legion team.

They played together on the Our Lady of Sorrows nine which won the divisional title in the Catholic League.

But they have gone different ways this summer. Most of the Sorrows players have performed for Farmington while Main has pitched for Southfield, where he makes his home.

Came last Monday, Farmington met Southfield and there

was Main pitching against his prep pals. But they didn't have much respect for him. They lashed out 10 hits in jumping to a 5-3 victory.

Farmington then squandered leads to lose to Waterford, 8-2, and Berkley, 6-3.

FARMINGTON had a 2-1 lead against Waterford thanks to a two-run homer by Hickey until Waterford scored six times in the fifth inning.

Against Berkley, Farmington gained a 3-0 edge as Dave McCoy, Tony Severs and Kouris

singled for two runs and Hazel-roh doubled in Hickey for a third counter.

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