

# Plymouth, Warholak Gain Connie Mack Playoffs

They were to meet Tuesday night to decide the Connie Mack League baseball playoffs. Strangely enough, there'd be a reward for both teams, since the winner goes to the Recreation tournament, the loser to the Inter-City.

EACH SWEEP to a pair of wins in the Mack playoffs, restricted to eight teams which finished the regular season with better than 500 records behind the champion Thurston and Livonia Royals.

Thurston goes to Flint for the state Mack Regionals this week while the Royals will play in a similar regional in Livonia.

Plymouth downed B.J. Rattigan, 6-3, while Warholak rallied over the Livonia Optimists, 4-3, to gain the playoff final.

The Elks scored five times in the first inning and dominated the rest of the way, although starter John Owens gave way to Howie Schryer in the fifth. It was against Schryer that Rattigan scored all its runs.

In the first inning, Ken Rollo

single to start things. Schryer walked and so did Jack Mathias. Then Jim Grimmer beat out a punt to force in one run and when Lou Herick bunted two runs scored on the play and two more on an error.

Plymouth added another run in the third. Hitters by Dave Lee and Tony Kasala led to the Rattigan first run, then singles by Lee and McAdams, a double by Jim Waring and two walks brought in two more runs.

REDFORD HAD to rally in the bottom of the seventh on a pair of errors which put Kirk Taylor and Dave Martin on — then Bill Herbert singled and Randy Ferguson doubled to bring Warholak back from a 3-2 deficit.

Ferguson went the route for the winners. He fanned 13 and walked one, while allowing five hits to best Bill Duncan.

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The Optimists counted three times with two out in the sixth when Bob Sitkauskas walked, Ken Grant singled, Jim Wollshied singled and Doug Kennedy doubled.

Here's the way the teams fared in the first round of the tournament:

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OPTIMISTS 2, HUBERT 0  
A ball between the junior varsity team from Livonia Bentley and the varsity from Stevenson — with the Bentley JV's dominating thanks to a brilliant pitching effort by Brian Dinsmore, who bested Mike Gee.

Dinsmore allowed five hits while Gee gave up six.

The two teams were locked in a scoreless duel until the fifth inning when Dave Boehm singled to start matters for the Optimists.

He stole second and raced home when Bob Sitkauskas singled. Then for good measure, Dick Boehm doubled to score Sitkauskas.

Dick Boehm also had a single to lead the winners while Herbert's Stu Rose rapped out a pair of safeties in a wasted cause.

WARHOLAK 6, GCWEST 1  
The pitching of Kirk Taylor, who scattered four hits, struck out 10 and didn't walk a man featured the victory for Warholak's Unroyal team from Redford Union High.

Four walks helped Warholak score twice in the first inning. R.J. Leftoux, Randy and Kirk Taylor and Dave Martin each drew a free ticket. Then Bill Herbert singled in another run.

In the third, Warholak tallied three more when Dennis Blazok walked; Randy Taylor was safe on an error and Kirk Taylor and Herbert singled.

Garden City West struck for its run in the fourth when Craig Sylvestor was safe on an error and Al Poland singled.

The final Warholak run came across in the fifth when Martin walked, was sacrificed to second and then pushed in by Mike Johnston.

# Duelo Pitches S. Farmington To LL Honors

Dave Duelo, who's just 12, has to be the hero of South Farmington.

Little wonder — on his pitching arm, the South Farmington Nationals swept through five games and the Livonia Optimists, 4-3, to gain the playoff final.

All Duelo did was pitch in three games.

He posted a shutout in each — first a pair of one-hitters — then a brilliant perfect effort — nobody reaching base — in beating Southfield American North, 1-0, in the title game Saturday at Southfield.

DUEL FOCED only a minimum of 18 men in the six-inning title game as he chalked up his 10th victory of the season. He fanned 10.

He had to be brilliant because the losers' Tom O'Rourke deserved to win — and would have under most circumstances.

O'Rourke's trouble, of course, he was up against Duelo, the game's only run was scored when Dave Cleveland

single, Pat Cummings was safe on an error. Paul Duels walked to fill the bases and Jim Vogl hoisted a sacrifice fly on which Cleveland was able to score after the catch.

Duelo hurled two shutouts, while Jim Cummings buried two other victories, to put South Farmington into the title game.

Duelo started with a one-hit gem against Beverly Hills. He fanned 13 and was supported by the big bat of Kevin Hickey, who homered and singled.

It was Cummings against the South Farmington Americans in the second game as his mates pulled out a 4-3 victory. Cummings allowed five hits. Hickey again provided the big punch with a double and single.

South Farmington Americans began their march to the finals by downing North Farmington West Bloomfield, 4-0.

Tom O'Rourke hurled the shutout, allowing four hits, fanning seven and not walking a man. Hobby Wienzek rapped a homer for the winners.

Southfield National-East became the next victims of the Americans, bowing 6-1.

Don Hendricks hurled for the winners. He fanned eight and gave up four hits while his mates clubbed out nine.

Paul Konopecke and O'Rourke each had a double and a single while Jerry Gumbert rapped out two singles.

Ernie Cassell, made the de-



# Announce Plans For New Net Facility In Bloomfield Area

Mention tennis to someone 70 years ago and chances are you had someone on your hands who didn't know Pancho Gonzales from Pancho Segura — not to mention Pancho Villa.

Mention tennis today and chances are better than even that the person will grab his racket and challenge you to a game.

The reasons for the upswing — may a boom — in tennis are many and varied.

First, people have more leisure time; secondly, this is a more affluent society; thirdly, they're more acutely aware that physical fitness really is "in"; and, fourthly, they've discovered that tennis has become a great deal more than an event you see twice a year on television from Wimbledon and Forest Hills.

Experts in sports say that tennis is the fastest growing of all participant sports. So it is understandable that there is a great boom in tennis construction to keep pace with the demands of this family sport.

THE NEW BUILDING will feature eight courts (the same as Franklin) with the finest mercury vapor lighting in the world.

Former Australian star Trish Faulkner has been hired as the club professional for Square Lake. She has been serving on the staff at Franklin.

It'll be difficult to improve on the Franklin Club, but owners say they will.

Memberships will range from \$25 for a junior to \$150 for a full

family. Franklin Club members can become members at the new club for half-price.

Operators of the two clubs plan to establish several leagues at various levels — juniors, ladies and men's.

"I'd like to see the day in the near future when we have an indoor high school league," general manager Gordie Preston said.

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JUST LIKE BIG LEAGUERS — S. Farmington's Dave Vogl slides high as he scores in the championship game in Southfield's Civic Center. The catcher had the ball but couldn't make the tag in time. S. Farmington blanked Garden City Continental, 4-0, in the final game. (News-Observer photo by Bob Woodring)

# Duelo Carries Hopes In State LL Finals

There's no question who'll pitch for the South Farmington Nationals Thursday when they start their quest for the state Little League baseball title against Harper Woods at St. Clair.

The nod will go to Dave Duelo, the ace of the Farmington pitching staff.

It was Duelo who recorded three shutouts in the district tournament and then with only two days of rest came back Monday to blank Garden City Continental by a 4-0 score and land the Farmington team in the state meet.

This time Duelo allowed three hits — his previous three games consisted of two one-hitters and perfect effort — while fanning 10. He didn't walk a man.

Farmington took a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Dave Cleveland and Jay Cummings were safe on errors and Jim Vogl came through with a single.

single and Jim Brown doubled and Vince Eyged tripled them both in. Kevin Hickey followed with another single to send in Eyged.

Two Observeland residents have been elected to positions in the Western Wayne chapter of National Association of Accountants.

Terry West of 530 Byron, Plymouth, has been chosen special activities director of the group. West is branch manager of the Sheldon Road office of National Bank of Detroit.

Charles H. Williams of 34757 Arundel, Farmington, has been selected public relations director for the chapter. He is president of F.B.S. Associates, Inc., Farmington.

2 Finish High In Drag Races  
The race, held recently before 2,000 spectators, was the group's last contest of the season.

Rose M. Rose of Garden City picked up a second-place ribbon for her finish in the Powder Puff Class B Stock competition.

Michael Candia of Westland garnered a third-place prize for his effort in a Men's Class C race.

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**GM Official To Speak To Engineers**  
William L. Mitchell, vice president and general manager of General Motors styling, will give the keynote speech at the kick-off dinner when the American Society of Body Engineers holds its 23rd annual convention at Detroit's Cobo Hall on Oct. 14, 15 and 16.

Mitchell will give his views on the next 25 years in automobile design. His theme will be in with the convention theme, "The Next 25," which also refers to the next 25 years in the automobile industry.

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