

RU Pounds Harrison In Season Finale

By BOB McCLELLAN



SCORING A TD — Bill Herbert, Redford Union's quarterback, slams through one would-be tackler...



... barrels up the middle with the help of a well placed block...



... and slashes down the right sideline for a 47-yard TD sprint. (Photos by Harry Mauthe)

Redford Union quarterback Bill Herbert scored twice as the Panthers pounded a stubborn Farmington Harrison squad into submission, 20-6, in a nonleague game that wound up the season for both teams at North Farmington High.

Glen Richmond kicked two extra points. Junior back Steve Bernia accounted for all of Harrison's scoring when he blocked a punt on the RU 32-yard line and fell on the ball in the end zone for a TD.

Richmond converted to put the Panthers ahead, 7-0. RU SCORED again with 8:42 to go in the third stanza after taking over a Manos punt on the Harrison 27.

Herbert cashed in from the one three plays later. His second TD gave the Panthers a 20-6 lead as his pass failed to click on a two-point conversion attempt.

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RU FINISHED with a 6-3 won-lost mark and Harrison wound up with a 4-4-1 record. Considering that theirs was a first-year team with no seniors, it was an excellent campaign for the Hawks. And head coach John Herrington will have all his boys back next year.

With ONLY 3:38 to go in the game, Harrison tacked its first points on the board. Bernia rushed in and blocked an RU punt on the Panther 32 and covered it in the end zone. A Harrison two-point conversion attempt failed.

observing sports

PUTTING ONE WORD AFTER ANOTHER... So the thoroughbreds have run their last race in these parts for the year.

Big meetings have ended at the Detroit Race Course and Hazel Park and now the horses are going to warmer climates for the winter.

But we all know that they'll be back earlier than ever next year and run later than ever, something this observer has been suggesting for a good many years.

All indications are that the Hazel Park and DRC meetings each will increase by some 30 days which means about 10 months of running races commencing in 1971.

The trotters also are going to have extended campaigns and you'll find them in action for almost the entire year, except for a brief period around Christmas.

We know that there are those who object. Let it be said we've never been one to visit the tracks, except on rare occasions. But we also have learned over the years that if the fans want something, give it to them.

In this case, there have to be a great many benefactors, especially the state treasury which reaps something out of every buck wagered at every track.

As Michigan has discovered, if you don't race here, the fans merely cross the river to Windsor...and how ridiculous that is...for our money to go elsewhere.

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GERRY WILSON paced the Ladies Classic with a 529-105-634, with her best game being 196-25-231.

Mary Schaefer took high single with 201-37-232 and two others tied for third place.

Carolyn Niederkorn posted a 179-44-223 and Ruth had a 173-50-223.

BELA FUERST earned the pace making role in the Bel-Aire Classic with a 695 on games of 245, 220 and 230.

Barry Kendall had a 268 for high game.

At Wonderland Tommy Rains showed the way with a 179-44-223 and 225 and 235.

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