### Trojans Drop 6th Loop Fray

It's a case of losing one close one after another this season for Clarenceville High's basketball team. The story Friday followed what now has become almost standard operating procedure.

dure.
Clarenceville hung close virtually all the way before finally being topped 69-54 by Milford

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With only three minutes left to go, Clarenceville trailed by only one point. 52-51.

FOUR STRAIGHT free FOUR STRAIGHT free throw opportunities then went up the drain for the Trojans and Milford turned the game into a quick runaway in sending the Trojans down to their sixth loss in seven Wayne-Oakland League games. League games

The teams finished the first quarter tied at 11-11, before Clarenceville took a 29-27 halftime edge.

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Mike Harris tossed in 12 of his 32 points in the third period to give Mifford a seven-point lead before Clarence-ville rallied to within a point of a tie as Chip Mercyelles, Phil Halstead and Randy Weddle scored.

Halstead had 15 points for the Trojans, while Mere-yelles scored 14 and Weddle

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Many of the veteran drivers who prefer to race at the 'Downs kept their stock in condition over the half-mile strip and they! He ready for the start of the 44-night cam-

The stage is set and the performers will go on Wednesday night when Michigan's earliest racing season opening takes place at North-wille Downs.

Racing Secretary Harry Peterson arrived on the scene 10 days ago for the screening of stall applicants and support such programs; steened the initial program on Saturday morning.

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### Ridge Bombs Monroe CC For No. 11

Orchard Ridge from Oak-land Community College, continues to boom along in basketball.

With Bob Brown tossing in 24 points, grabbing 19 re-bounds and blocking five shots, Orchard Ridge drubbed Monroe CC, 112-67, for its 11th win in 14 games.

# Wayne Victor Harrison High Walled Lake "Vestern's wrestling team crushed Farmington Harrison, 496, 510, a dual meet. Barlett 1121 pounds and Bernia (132) accounted for Harrison's only victories. He start of the 44-night campaign. These include such standtons All, Wall yand board board with the Canadian operation. We doubt whether the imqually take hold until three or four weeks of the 44-night have passed. Wayne Memorial carried for the earn title in the antime they started drivnounted for Harrison's only victories. Wayne Memorial carried for the team title in the antime they started drivnot the Uffice rewell make upfor the loss of interest during for the farmington intomore with Farmington into antime they started drivnot the Uffice rewell make upfor the loss of interest during for the farmington intomore with the Canadian opermore with the Canadian opermore

Wayne Memorial carried off the team title in the annual North Earnington Invitational wrestling meet. Wayne scored 68 points to runnerup North Farmington's 80. Redford Union followed with 57 points with Farmington scoring 51, Southfield Lathrup 50, Ferndale 32, Walled Lake Western 30 and Southfield 20.

The first three finishers in each class received medals. The results:

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#### S'craft Hosts Junior College Swim Meet

The state junior college swimming and diving cham-pionships will be held at Schoolcraft College on Feb.

The host Ocelors, coached by Jack Washka, will be one of the six squads entered.

Finals in the 1650-yard freestyle will be held at 10:30 a.m. and in the individual medley at 7 pm. on Friday. All other events will be decided starting at 1 p.m. Saturday.

### **Puck Benefit** Set By Irish,

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Others in the magic 700 circle included Bob femile 280 games of 278. Series 3 becomes 178. Has Baskin 710, and B.C. Numery 700, by Mere prized the 270 of the Prized the 270 of the Mere Prized the 270 of the 270 o

## observing sports

How mighty sports are!

There are those who contend that this wild world inwhich we live might be much more at peace if only the athletes cold dominate the way the political bosses do.

All bitterness, or at least much of it, seems to disappear every fourth year when the Olympic Games are held. Athletes from the so-called free world contest with those from within the "iron test group of sharpshooters." disappear every fourth year when the Olympic Games are held. Athletes from the so-called free world contest with those from within the "iron

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individually, for your team, for your country.

SPORTS CAN PULL people together...and one never saw it better on the local scene than the other evening at the March of Dimes Sports banquet in the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel in downtown

Detroit.

It was worth the price of admission just to sit there and rub elbows with most of the elite of our sports community...all of whom had come together for the same purpose to do their bit for the disease of polio.

You sat and looked at the featured guest at the head table...and said: "My gosh, can he really be 68 years old?"

But Charlie Gehringer is....and if you're a young sprout you might say: "Who's Gehringer?"

Well, your dad and grandpas remember Gehringer, the greatest second baseman ever to play for the Tigers and in many books the best second baseman ever in the history of baseball.

He still looks fit enough to be able to get out there and field a few grounders with the ease that allways identified his play.

Two seats away from him sat another "old" man...Lathrup's Gordie Howe who in his 40s remains one of the greats in the National Hockey League.

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mains one of the greats in the National Hockey League.

Howe was among the others honored. So were the "Pistons" Dave Bing and the Lions" Mel Farr....but these guys are almost young enough to be Howe's son. (We're kidding. Gordie).

At the next table, there was another oldster, Al Kaline, and sitting beside him was one of the Wings' young hopefuls, Gary Unger...What a contrast....Kaline with the "old-fashioned-type" hairdo, Unger with the long curls now identified with so many men. with so many men.

with so many men.

There, too, sat Alex Delvecchio and Gary
Bergman of the Wings and their new coach Doug
Barkley, but the major attraction at the table was
Pam Eldred, Miss America of a year ago. Ah, to
be young again, and be able to date a Miss Amer-

NOT TOO MANY eyes rose when two late arrivals at the dinner strolled through the ball-

room.

One was Hank Aguirre, the former Tiger pitcher who has decided after a long career in the majors, to call it quits and as he says: settle down to making a living the harder way.

With him was the guy who came off the bench after Johnny Unitas was hurt and sparked the Baltimore Coits to victory in the Super Bowl. Earl Morrall was back home to settle down to his off-season job and after 15 years of quarterbacking in the National Football League he admitted he wasn't too sure that he'll be back for another year. Right now, he's interested in how his 13-year-

old son is doing and says that the kid probably will wind up playing football for Al Fracassa at Brother Rice in a year or two.

Another Morrall at quarterback! How nice

Another Morrall at quarterback! How nice that would be.

ONE'S EYES WANDERED around the room...There was Terry Dischinger from the Pistons...Lem Barney, Wayne Rasmussen and Charlies Sanders from the Lions...Art Houtteman, who noce hurled for the Tigers.

And, so the list ran....

There were others, too, who unquestionably have aspired to be standout athletes over the years, but always failed. Should we mention the name of Phil Power, among this group?

Except for being a little lengthy it was a banquet of banquets...and, as we said at the outset. only sports can bring together such an assemblage on a night when the temperature read almost zero...the wind was howling at 40-65 miles per hours...and driving was perilous.

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Close behind these leaders at Garden Lanes came George Hollenhaugh 694, Paul Isken 688, Don Campbell 687, Jim Shulock 686, Dave Waters 669, Jerry Johnson 665.

BY COMPARISON scoring dropped off in the Westland Classic where Mike Mathis was high with a 695 on games of 256, 192 and 247. At this figure he beat out Lou Haydu by a single pin. Haydi opened with a 279 and followed with 198 and 217 for 694

694. Third place went to Dick Lewis with a 673 that in-cluded a finishing game of 259.

Dick Lang still is leading the averages with 216 and is enjoying a six edge on his closest rivals.

THERE SEEMS to be no stopping Jack Brown at Bel-Aire Lanes.

For the fourth time in the past three weeks he has posted a 700 ceries.

This time, bowling in Our Lady of Sorrows League, he closed with a 278 after games of 221 and 212 for a 711. It also was his third 278 game in as many weeks.

DEAN PUTROW and Rick DEAN PUTROW and Rick Brandenberg will have good cause to remember their showing this week at Bel-Aire where each had visions of a perfect game only to bow to a stubborn No. 10 pin.

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Bowling in the K. of C.
League Putrow got the first
10 strikes. Then, as his mates
gathered round, he was
stopped on a solid hit and had
to settle for a 288 and a 688
series.

Brandenberg also opened with a string of 10, only to be denied on the 11th ball. He settled for a 287 in 656.

Scoring honors in the Classic, however, went to Jay Pepple who opened with a 269, followed with 202 and closed with 229 for 701.

Meanwhile three women in the Thursday Mixed league had every reason for their smiles. They posted their first 200 games. Helen Simp-son had 214. Dorothy Wil-liams 204 and Sharon Orrico

"HUMAN NATURE is a rather funny thing when it comes to howling. Fred Hamlin pointed out at Farmington Lanes. "For a long time we waited for the women to hit 200 and then, after it was posted, others quickly followed. It's funny how easy it seems after the goal is reached."

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