

Rice, Farmington Sparkle In Relays

The orchids went to distance runner at Brother Rice. . . .

HE STEPPED OFF a winning performance of 1:56.3, one of the best times for a prep in the Midwest this season.

Orlando has been one of the stars of Brother Rice's

Catholic League champs for the past two years.

His victory came after Rice's four-mile relay took a third behind Toronto (Ont.) Michael Power and Hobart, Ind.

Pete Wagner, George Marzone, Chuck Hotaling and Don Walker did the honors for Brother Rice with Hotaling's

time of 4:31.3 the best of the quartet.

It was a satisfying performance for Coach Mike Pison and his assistant, Bob Stark. Ten years ago, Stark ran on another Brother Rice four-mile relay, which placed fourth at Mansfield.

Brother Rice came up with

16 points to finish sixth in the team standings.

Farmington placed in two relays. . . .

THE DISTANCE medley relay of Kim Hildebrand, Dan Steinko, Mark Timmons and Mike McGlothlin came in third in 7:40.1.

In the mile relay, Farmington was fourth with a 3:25.6 time with the same quartet. The 3:25.6 clocking is the best turned in by a Michigan prep mile relay this year.

Randy Pender, of Farmington, ranked among the state's top hurdlers this

season, turned in a 14.8 showing to finish sixth.

Roger Blanchard of Redford Union, one of the top pole vaulters in the state, came in fourth at Mansfield with an effort of 14 feet.

Southfield and Southfield Lathrup both sent delegations to the relays, but neither was

able to muster a point.

The area track teams this Saturday will engage in several relay carnivals, tops of which will be the annual Brother Rice Invitational.

A week from Saturday, virtually all area schools will compete in the Observer Relays at Redford Union.



THE KIDS had their big day at the Detroit Race Course Saturday in the annual "Good Ol' Days" celebration which drew more than 24,000 including some 3,000 youngsters. It was bar-

gain day for hot dogs, popcorn and coke . . . and the kids enjoyed every moment including climbing the fence to watch the horses finish.

RU, Plymouth Victors In Suburban Six Tests

Redford Union and Plymouth got off to flying starts, but Bentley was not so fortunate Monday as the lid went up on Suburban Six baseball action.

Plymouth unloaded some mighty bats in whipping Belleville, 9-8, while Redford Union continued to get great pitching from Randy Ferguson in beating Trenton, 9-1.

Meantime, Bentley was whitewashed by Allen Park, 4-0.

BRAD TRUAX hurled four

innings and then was rested for the remainder of the game in the Plymouth run-away. He allowed one run and one hit while on the hill.

Howie Schryer and Jack Mathias each lashed triples — Schryer with three on in the third and Mathias with two on in the fourth — to spark the winners.

Jim Grimmer had two hits and also two runs batted in.

Plymouth put the game out of reach by scoring nine times in the second inning on three hits, along with four

walks, a hit batsman and two errors. Stan Britton knocked in two runs with one hit, Grimmer two more with a single and Hees one run with a hit.

Belleville pitching was most generous, giving up 17 walks. . . .

FERGUSON became one of the winningest prep pitchers in the state in posting his fourth win without a loss at the expense of Trenton. He toiled six innings, allowed four hits and fanned six. Joe Randolph finished up.

Farmington Upsets Stevenson In Duel

It was a dream pitching duel that Farmington High's John Fleming and Stevenson's Mike Gee staged to open the Inter-Lakes Conference season.

Fleming and his Farmington mates emerged the winners, 1-0.

A FIRST INNING

run decided the game when Ray Ponke singled, stole second and third and came home on Tony Wenson's single.

Thereafter, Fleming and Gee pitched shutout ball.

Fleming allowed four hits, struck out five and didn't

walk a batter. Gee didn't permit a hit after the first inning as he fanned 12.

A brilliant, running catch by Randy Eckerman in the third helped save the day for Farmington. Two were on, when Eckerman ran a long way to haul in a blow by Mike Geluso to retire the side.

Bentley was held to five hits in bowing to the pitching of Allen Park's Dick Goetz.

John Gentz had two hits and Al Hernandez, Bob Sitkauskas and Bill Duncan one each for Bentley.

Brian Dinsmore, the Bentley starter, lasted until the fourth when Duncan took over and finished up.

Longest Race

The longest stock auto race in the nation is run each year at Charlotte, N.C.

GC East Sweeps Bill From Crosstown Rivals

Go West? Not in Garden City, where East met West in high school baseball. It was East the winner twice, 8-4 and 3-0.

West outfit East, 12-7, in the opener, but six errors and a flock of walks helped East pile up more than enough runs. Ken Shaw was the only winner to collect two hits.

EAST SCORED THREE times in the fourth and then wrapped it up with four runs in the sixth when Greg

Puishes and Dennis Kesek drilled hits along with a pair of walks and two errors.

Puishes went the distance to gain the victory on the mound.

Chris Waronek turned in the shutout in the nightcap as he scattered three hits and struck out eight. The loser was Mike Voth, whose brother Jerry also pitches for West.

East scored two runs in the fourth when Jim Wisniewski singled and stroled in ahead of Kesek, who blasted a homer.

The final run resulted from a double by Waronek and singles by Bob Kleinbrook and Wisniewski.

Before losing to East, West edged John Glenn, 6-5, as Jerry Volas gained the victory.

Keith Muncy had two hits for West, including a two-run single, in the sixth which drove in the winning run.

Daryl Demaray went two-

for-four in a losing cause for Glenn.

Glenn wound up the week with back-to-back victories — over Wayne, 5-2, and then Inkster, 1-2.

Demaray allowed three hits and fanned 11 in holding Wayne in check while Bob Combs turned in a three hitter and walked only one in besting Inkster.

Dave Barrows had two hits for Glenn against Inkster.

Churchill Shuts Out Fordson

It was a scare, but everything turned out happily for Churchill High's baseball team in downing Fordson, 2-0, in a non-league game.

After Bob Filippes hurled two-hit ball for six innings, sophomore Ken Wood took over for Churchill and got into a bad jam.

Fordson loaded the bases on a hit, error and a walk with one out, before Mike Keller came on to squelch the rally.

Churchill scored in the third when Mickey Cron singled, moved up an error and came in on Denny Kolakowski's hit.

Then in the fifth Kolakowski singled, Steve Chilenko was safe on an error and Brian Sherman followed with a run-producing single.

Sheron's Arm Gives Mates Great Start

Thanks to Jerry Sheron's pitching, Bishop Borgess got off to a flying start by blanking Gabriel Richard, 4-0, in its Catholic League opener.

Sheron pitched a one hitter and struck out 15. The lone hit off the junior right-hander came in the sixth inning. It was a triple.

Jim Bush's two run single in the fifth inning was the big blow for the winners.



IT TOOK 32,366 hot dogs to satisfy the crowd that gathered at the Detroit Race Course Saturday and this is part of the reason. The kids made the most of the "Good Ol' Days" program to load up on the dogs. The concessionaires dispensed 25,800 cups of beer, 16,249 cokes and 3,200 bags of popcorn. The track ended the winter portion of its meeting with a daily handle of \$748,889 and an average attendance of 9,195. The mutual handle was \$22,466,675 for the 30 days.

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