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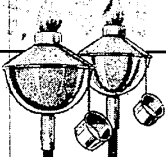
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Sorrows Loses To Lads In Its Sports Finale

Auld Lang Syne...
In the days and weeks and years to come, there'll be many who drive in the area of Powers and 10 Mile Roads in Farmington and stop for a moment to remember how it was when Our Lady of Sorrows had a high school and some of the finest athletic teams in the Catholic League. Now, it's all history for Sorrows, as a high school. The final classes in the senior high have been held. The last class to graduate has received its diplomas.

THE FINAL TEAM to represent Sorrows in sports on a high school level also has done its bit...and while Sorrows was routed, 11-1, in the Class C state regionals Saturday, it was nonetheless a great way for a dying school to breathe for the final time on the athletic field.

After all, Sorrows was one of the final 16 teams in state Class C competition.

In facing Hamtramck's St. Ladislau at Capas, Sorrows was going against one of the perennial schoolboy powers in the Detroit area.

For many years St. Ladislau competed in the Catholic League's first division and held a virtual monopoly on baseball titles. Now St. Ladislau is in the second division and winning.

A 10 run first inning settled matters in a hurry for St. Lads. In that wild outburst, St. Lads strung together seven hits with three walks and two errors.

Two homers, one with two on and another with one on, marked the explosion against losing pitcher Tom Centers who was suffering only his third defeat against 10 victories. Those 10 wins set a Sorrows record, since no previous Sorrows pitcher—or will there be any in the future—ever had recorded 10 victories in a single season.

Under the tournament rule, when either team has a 10-run lead after five innings, the game had to be suspended at that point.

THE ONLY SORROWS run was scored in the third inning when Bill Walesky and Centers walked and Newt Hurst singled.

St. Ladislau went on to win the regional title after defeating Sorrows and now shapes up as the team to beat for the state title at Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

"Well, this is it," said Coach Bob Kelley of Sorrows when

the team arrived back home from Capas.

"We can be very proud of the boys who played for us this season in baseball and who played for us in all sports. It's a shame that we must depart from the scene just at a time when our school appears to have reached the top in the sports picture."

The high school at Sorrows

is closing in a revamping of operations by the parish.

The undergraduates, who have competed in sports this past year, will be eligible to transfer directly to other high schools next fall and play for their new schools.

Most are going to Farmington High. A few will wind up at North Farmington, Harrison, Livonia Stevenson, and Southfield.

Turf Tips, Quips

By Doc Minard

The biggest day of the year comes up Saturday for the Detroit Race Course with the 23rd running of the \$100,000 added Michigan Mile. The distance has been stretched an eighth making it a mile and an eighth.

The story is a bit different in money. The first running in 1969 was for \$2,000 and the event was listed as an overnight event.

The purse was boosted first to \$30,000, then \$75,000 and now to \$100,000 added, making it the fourth richest stake in North America and the biggest pot of gold in Michigan.

The Mile is to Livonia and Detroit what the Kentucky Derby is to Louisville and Churchill Downs. It attracts the largest crowd of the year and generally the handle goes well past the \$2 million mark.

Whether the attendance and wagering will measure up to the past can't be determined until Saturday. All indications

are that both will but the economic situation is a bit tight in the area at the moment and that may make a difference.

The race itself should measure up to past runnings with standout horses from the east, midwest and far west nominated and word received by DRG officials that most names will be in the entry box come Thursday morning.

Jim French, one of the favorites in the Kentucky Derby and a third place finisher in the Belmont, was slated to arrive Tuesday afternoon.

THAT NAME along with the speedsters already on the grounds assure a field of as many as 14.

Harbor View Farm's Native Royalty, winner of the \$58,800 Carter Handicap and \$34,900 Rosebush Handicap in New York, and Paul and Robert Schleicher's No No Billy,

winner of the \$35,000 Better Bee Handicap and \$20,000 Col. Matt Winn Handicap in Chicago, tested the mile track Saturday.

It was Native Royalty who won with No No Billy in second and Pat Devereaux's Royal Harmony third.

All three will be in Saturday's field.

As usual, the DRG is arranging a full afternoon of entertainment for the anticipated crowd of more than 23,000.

There'll be an old time jazz band furnishing music starting at 1 p.m., a pony race, and entertainment by North America's most outstanding bagpipe organization—the famed St. Andrew marching unit from Detroit.

That's only part of the program, along with the 10-race card, that will thrill patrons throughout the afternoon.

IT'S THAT time of the season when the pacers and trotters will begin casting eyes in the direction of Northville Downs where the 35-night meeting opens on Thursday, June 24 with every evidence of a highly successful campaign through Aug. 3.

Jackson Raceway rings down the curtain on its very successful season Saturday and Hazel Park follows on Wednesday, June 23.

Although the winter meeting wasn't anything to write home about, Northville Executive Manager John Carlo believes the summer session will be even more successful than that of a year ago.

Carlo believes the momentum started at Hazel Park will hold through the summer and Northville's best meeting ever is just ahead.

The Downs will have the Big Q. perfecta and daily double wagering in addition to that on the 10 races.

Post time has been set back to 8:30 p.m., for the first race.

FROM BRANDYWINE Raceway in Wilmington, Delaware, comes word that Sandra Fisher, former wife of Driver-Trainer Harold Fisher of Adrian, has become the first licensed lady owner-trainer-driver in 19 years at the track.

Sandra is co-owner of a four-horse stable with Harriett Ebbetts, daughter of a former middleweight prize fighter and referee in New York.

Sandra entered the winner's circle for the first time recently when she guided Louie's Express, a seven-year-old pacer, to victory in 2:06.

She also put up a great fight with her Jero, a six-year-old Adios Clew pacer, but got nosed out at the wire.

Sandra was well-known in Michigan harness racing circles when she served as an assistant trainer for her former husband. She has been missing from the Michigan scene for the past three years and has been handling her own stable in Atlantic Seaboard tracks.

SONG CYCLE, the spectacular Chicagoan pacer star who first gained acclaim with a stunning victory in the Motor City Pace at Wolverine Raceway with Bobby Williams at the reins, is still making folks sit up and take notice in the Windy City.

Song Cycle, reportedly sold for \$40,000 after his Wolverine triumph, recently won his 23rd victory in 55 starts at Sportsman's Park.

That triumph boosted his earnings to \$453,643 of which \$326,656 came from wins at Sportsman's Park.

By George Maskin observing sports

Two significant dates of a personal nature to this operator once more make a guy quiver at where has time gone, like 25 years or maybe just 17 1/2 years.

There's the upcoming 25th wedding anniversary of Jackie and Harold Klein and the remembrance of how I crashed the affair on a beautiful June night in Detroit, little realizing at that moment that the day would come when Jackie and I would be battling for space in these Observer newspapers.

THE KLEIN celebration follows on the heels of the toast we marked at the Maskin home the other afternoon when our "baby," Julie culminated her high school career. And, now comes the realization that comes the fall, she'll be flying off to attend the University of Florida.

So, take your pick: the 25 years since you busted in on the Klein wedding or the 17 1/2 since that evening at what then was Women's Hospital in Detroit, Dr. Morrie Bachman slipped into the corner where fathers wait and said:

"Well, you finally got the girl you want."

So much has happened in those 17-25 years around us.

Take just the communities which are served by these Observer newspapers.

Towns like Livonia and Southfield and Garden City and Westland and Plymouth. They hardly were very much a quarter of a century