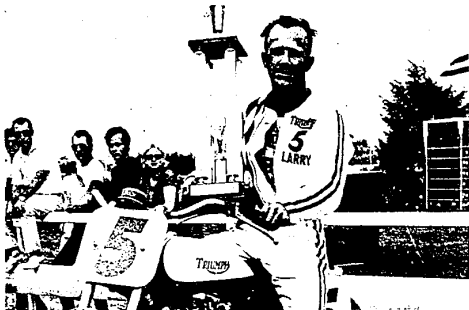


Redford Drops Opener In Two-Loss Playoff



BACK TO DEFEND championship trophy he won a year ago in the nationals at the Detroit Race Course will be Larry Palmgren, of Freehold, N.J. Larry captured the 20-mile championship motorcycle race before a crowd of more than 12,000. He hopes to win another trophy just like the one he's holding.

Round One of the Greater Livonia Adray League baseball playoffs produced a rihubarb.

Defending league and state champion Redford got off to a flying start by downing Northville, 4-1, while Westland, the third team in the two-defeat-and-out playoff drew the bye.

Then Westland met and downed Redford, 8-6, and Westland drew another bye while Redford was to face Northville again Tuesday night.

"That's not the way it should be," said Redford manager Pat Sheridan. "We should have received the bye after winning the first game. The way it is now Westland gets into the finals by playing only once."

Whatever the ultimate result of the Livonia playoff, which is to end Wednesday night at Ford field, the winner advances into state Adray competition beginning Saturday.

REDFORD HAS had a string of titles on the league and state titles for several years and has represented outstate Michigan in the All-American Amateur tournament held annually in Johnstown and Altoona, Pa.

The combined pitching of Jim Horton and Tim Carr won for Redford against Northville. Horton worked five hitless innings and Carr finished up, allowing two hits and the one run.

Redford scored once in the sixth inning when Tom Roy doubled and Gordie Eszes singled. Then in the seventh, Bill Herbert and Carr walked and rode home ahead of R. J. LeRoux who homered.

An error, followed by singles by Dennis Benedict and Pat Uley brought in the only Northville run.

BOB BRIGGS hurled the distance for Westland and had to escape a series of jams as he allowed 10 hits, fanned 13 and walked five.

His biggest jam came in the bottom of the ninth when Redford loaded the bases with two out. Briggs struck out the next man for the final out as he actually retired the side on strikes in the final inning.

Redford took a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Exzes homered after LeRoux doubled. Then Westland scored in the third on a walk to Briggs and double by Pat Burke.

Westland scored three in the fourth when Ken Gawkowski homered, Dan Cesarz singled and Phil McMillan followed with another homer.

But the lead didn't last long as Redford rebounded with four runs in the fifth. Dennis

Poppenger started thins with a homer. Walks to LeRoux and Tom Roy and a single by Tim Fox brought in one run and another scored on a wild throw. Then Burke singled in another Westland run.

Westland came back with one run in the seventh on hits by Terry Mills and McMillan with a hit batter and walk in between. Then in the eighth, two walks and singles by Gawkowski and Mills netted another Westland run.

when Steve Kuhlman walked and went to second on a wild pick off attempt. McMillan bunted and was safe on a wild throw, which permitted Kuhlman to score. Then Briggs knocked in McMillan for the final run.

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This will mark the 13th annual national championship program held at the Livonia track during which attendance has grown from 5,000 for the initial venture to the more than 12,000 in the stands a year ago.

Heading the list of entries is Larry Palmgren, of Freehold, N.J., who won the race a year ago and Gene Remers, of the Triumph team, currently the leader in points in the national standings.

The riders will check in from California to New York and from Minnesota to Texas. They will battle for positions in the finals in the qualifiers, slated to start at 2 p.m. Workouts will begin at 9 a.m. when the track will be opened for spectators.

The afternoon card will consist of eight races climaxed by the 20 mile national championship.

Honor Loken

ANN ARBOR Michigan coach Newt Loken, whose teams have won the Big Ten Gymnastics title 10 times in the last 11 years, has been selected to the United Savings-Helms Hall of Fame.

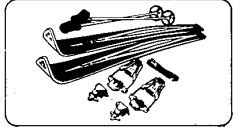
Long Kick

Michigan State junior kicker Borys Shlapak of Park Ridge, Ill., established an all-time Spartan record when he booted a 54-yard field goal against Northwestern.

Sets Record

Pam Bagain, Wayne State University sophomore distance runner, surpassed the women's 1,000-yard world indoor record of 2:46.2 with a 2:41 clocking at Ypsilanti in January, 1971.

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