

Dead Heat in the 'Mile' By Going Abroad

The rains came, the track was a sloppy mess but an amazing crowd of 19,102 witnessed the greatest Michigan Mile (and, a sixteenth race in history) Saturday at the Detroit Race Course and saw four-year-old Going Abroad get up in the final stride to dead heat with four-year-old Tibaldo for the winner's share of the \$72,300 stake.

It was a dismal day from early morning until dusk but this was Michigan Mile day and the crowd kept pouring into the huge plant much to the surprise of DRC President Dale Shaffer. Naturally it fell below the expectations of 25,000 but the handle was a surprising \$1,329,134 so everything wasn't lost.

The Mile drew a field of 12 and Crimson Satan, the 1963 champion from the Crimson King Farm owned by Detroit and Livonia industrialist Peter Sarnen, was the sentimental favorite of the spectators. Matter of fact, the unpredictable five-year-old was bet down to the co-favorite's spot with Going Abroad, who carried the odds of Chicagoan E. N. Seltzer. Each went off at \$2,801 odds.

It was Swoosen and Red Gax battling for the lead through the early going with the former moving to the front in a hurry and then relinquishing that post to Red Gax at the quarter pole. Puss N Boots, an invader from the East, pressed the leaders and finally made the top spot at the half-mile with City Line, the star of the \$25,000 stakes stable, making a bid for the lead but never getting any closer than second at the three-quarters point.

All this time Tibaldo was content to stay off the pace in fifth with Close By sixth and Going Abroad two lengths farther back in seventh. Then the field turned into the stretch in the rain and sloppy going and Tibaldo quickly zoomed into the lead pursued by Close By and Going Abroad. There was barely a length between the three leaders as they settled down for the grim duet to the finish line.

And it was a head and head battle for the remainder of the distance which found Tibaldo holding a half-length margin over the fast closing Going Abroad with 110 yards to go. Close By faltered under the pressure and dropped three lengths back before making another belated bid. Tibaldo still had his nose in front with only a few yards to

go when Going Abroad caught him at the wire for the dead heat with Close By only a half-length back of the co-leaders. Tibaldo, who carried the 41-1 odds, appeared to have an edge at the wire over Going Abroad but the latter was moving fastest of all on the wire.

The judges studied the photo finish for a long time before calling it a dead heat. Then came a second jolt — Jockey Billy Phelps astride Lemon Twist, the entry from the T. D. Buhl farm, of Detroit, entered a foul claim against Going Abroad, claiming interference at the three-eighths pole. That brought an additional delay while the judges studied the films of the race and listened to reports from the patrol judges. After viewing the movies, the decision up-held at the wire and the race was officially dead heat.

Tibaldo paid \$32.80, \$22.20 and \$8.80 across the board while Going Abroad rewarded his backers with \$430, \$450 and \$3.40.

The victory was worth \$30,727 to each. Close By was third and paid up \$7.20 and Lemon Twist wound up fourth for \$3,615.

Crimson Satan? He performed in his usual unpredictable style, showed little liking to the slop and beat only one horse as he wound up a dismal 11th.

Now most of the field is preparing for the \$25,000 stakes slated for next Saturday. Once again Crimson Satan looms as the early favorite but bettors may shy away from the temperamental speedster this time.

The competition is expected to be much the same as that for the Mile with the possible exception of Going Abroad and one or two others.



PROOF POSITIVE: Here's the classic Going Abroad (No. 5) hitting the wire first on Saturday at the Detroit Race Course. Tibaldo (No. 10) on the rail and was the 16th running of the stake.

THE SPORTS ROUNDUP: Lions Share 1st Spot

PRO FOOTBALL
The Detroit Lions share the Western Division Lead with the Los Angeles Rams after their 17-17 tie Saturday night. It took some "rescue" work by Earl Morrill to save the Lions who fell behind after taking an early 10-0 lead.

Meanwhile, the Baltimore Colts stunned the Green Bay Packers, 29-20, when Paul Hornung missed one of those "inch" extra point tries. Johnny Unitas heated two long TD passes for the Colts. The Chicago Bears ended Minnesota's winning ways, 24-28, while in the Eastern Division the powerful Cleveland Browns and St. Louis Cardinals traded a 33-33 standstill when Jim Bakken of the Cards booted a field goal with five seconds left in the game.

BASEBALL
It begins to look more and more like a New York Yankee-Philadelphia Phillies world series. The Phillies should wrap up their pitching staff this week. They went west and prospered, ending up on a happy note Sunday when Jim Bunning beat Los Angeles, 3-2.

COLLEGIATE FOOTBALL
University of Detroit dropped a heartbreaker this past Saturday night in Kentucky, 12-12. The hosts were a two or three-touchdown favorite, but had to struggle against the Titans who rallied to tie the score at 6-6 in the final period. Kentucky took the kickoff and moved down the field to count the deciding marker with less than four minutes remaining on the scoreboard. This Friday night the Titans make their home debut, meeting the University of Toledo.

The season openers are scheduled on Saturday for Michigan, Michigan State, Wayne and Notre Dame, Michigan, with a cover-up of eleven, entertaining the Air Force and should have no problem winning. Michigan State should get the nod at North Carolina, which lost to North Carolina State, 14-12, last Saturday. Wayne starts at Allegheny and Notre Dame goes to Wisconsin, which beat Kansas

State, 17-7, in last Saturday's game seen locally. Syracuse fell in last Saturday's too collegiate upset . . . when Boston College scored a pass with three seconds to go.

HOCKEY
The Red Wings got off and running in Red Wings style in exhibition play when they scored on their old pal, Terry Sawchuk, in something like 10 seconds at Olympia. Detroit then went on to beat Toronto, 5-1. The Chicago Bears ended Minnesota's winning ways, 24-28, while in the Eastern Division the powerful Cleveland Browns and St. Louis Cardinals traded a 33-33 standstill when Jim Bakken of the Cards booted a field goal with five seconds left in the game.

PRO BASKETBALL
It's exhibition time for the Detroit Pistons. They started in Kirksville, Mo., Tuesday night. . . play in Centerville, Ill., Burlington, Ia.; Beckley, W. Va.; Bluefield, W. Va.; Arnold, O.; and Chillicothe, O., in the next week. By that time Coach Chas. Feeney will should have an idea on how some of his new faces shape up. . . and about two or three other hands whose jobs might be in jeopardy. Pistons heard their "rapeseed" last week that Dave DeBusscherre will be back with them in a few weeks—as soon as DeBusscherre winds up his pitching stint with the Chicago White Sox.

TENNIS
The Davis Cup Challenge Round is scheduled in Cleveland this weekend. America meets Australia and bearing an upset, the Cup is headed for a long ride—back to the land down under. Roy Emerson and Fred Stolle give the Aussies a combination, one-two knockout. United States will pin her hopes on Charles McKinley and Dennis Ralston. You can see the matches on television (Channel 4) this week.

GOLF
Bill Campbell of West Virginia captured the U.S. Amateur at Cleveland last Saturday. He's been a veteran campaigner who had tried almost 20 years to win the coveted event. Who says youth must be served?

SAILING
The American Cup challenge by Great Britain proved another flop. This time it was the Sovereign from England which tried . . . and failed worse than any of the English craft which have tried in the last 113 years. The American Constellation roared away in each race . . . and won by decisive margins each time. All the critics could say was that the 1924 renewal of the Cup was "a mismatch."

OLYMPICS
All of the U.S. teams now are in training for the Games. Most

Boys To Compete In Punt, Pass Kick Contest
Now is the time for boys to practice for the Pass, Punt, Kick Contest to be held on Saturday, Oct. 3, at 8:30 a.m. at the Henry Ford Athletic Field located at Farmington Road and Lyndon in Livonia. Sponsored by the Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation and Bill Brown Sales, 32222 Plymouth, the contest is open to boys from eight years through 13 years of age. All interested boys must pick up entry forms from Bill Brown by Oct. 1. There will be three awards for each age group in the combined total distances in passing, punting, and kicking, minus accuracy in these events.

Thurston Nipped by Point

It's never easy to lose, especially when: 1—This is your first game as the school's head coach; 2—Your team finishes on top in every department, but the final score; 3—The weather strikes; 4—It probably would have been different had not your best place-kicker suffered a fractured thumb early in the game and you elected not to take any further chances; 5—The weather strikes a cruel blow, bringing a steady rain which bogs down the passing attack you had planned.

Little wonder Bill McDonald of Thurston High was a sad gent Saturday evening after his charges had dropped a 13-12 verdict to Southfield on the Thurston field. "You can say we deserved to win this one," declared McDonald, who was proud of the show-down turned in by every one of his players. "We had a tough break early. One of our kids slipped while going for a Southfield pass. Their receiver not only caught it, but he had pretty easy sailing all the way for a touchdown to seal our Lady of the Sorrows' defeat. I was frank to admit, he thought his team outplayed Southfield. "We outgained them at least, 3-1.

"Look at the first half statistics. We had 97 yards to their 32. We had something like 190 for the game to their 60," added the coach. "And the first downs were about 13-3 for us."

But McDonald couldn't deny that the scoreboard at the end of our fumble," related McDonald. "And not any statistics. When it came to satisfying moments in defeat, McDonald got many from the way Thurston stormed from behind after trailing, 13-0. "The kids could have collapsed, since the second Southfield touchdown came from one of our fumbles," related McDonald. "And, the way the weather was, the chances of catching up weren't very good. "But we sure made a run for it," lamented the coach. Rick Smigelski scored both the Southfield touchdowns. He took a pass and went for the first down. That's when a Thurston back slipped. The second TD was a "here you take it" affair. Thurston took a pass and went for the first down. That's when a Thurston back slipped. The second TD was a "here you take it" affair. Thurston took a pass and went for the first down. That's when a Thurston back slipped.

light began to shine for Thurston. The Thurston defenders showed Southfield back almost to their goal line. Then Big Jerry Sotack crashed through and knocked the ball out of Southfield back's hands. Rick Stefani roared in behind Sotack, and plopped on the ball in the end zone. It was a touchdown for Thurston.

Minutes later, Thurston had the ball and went in for some piggish doodle. Barry Sinescu passed to Mike Shaner, who slipped it to Stefani and Stefani ran 25 yards to make the score 13-12 for Southfield. Thurston had a chance to get even, but the wet ball was fumbled, and the conversion try never worked. . . and defeat came to the South Townshippers and their new coach the hard way. Sinescu in his debut at quarterback did an excellent job, considering he's just a sophomore. His coach sees a very bright future for this young man. Shaner and Stefani drew praises for their work at end. . . Pete Maralese in his driving jobs at quarterback.

This Saturday, Thurston hosts Highland Park which is reviving football after a year's layoff because of tax problems.

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Rocks Win

(Continued from Page 2) attempted to kick enabled the Rocks to get the ball on the opposition's 10-yard stripe. Grady pushed upward to the one yard where quarterback John Daniels slipped over on a sneek. Four minutes into the third period, Northville began its comeback. Kurt Kipfer went around end for 55 yards and raced all the way. In the fourth period, Jim Baughman of Northville flipped a pass to Dave Inland for 23 yards and another TD. Fortunately for Plymouth, the conversion try failed. Happier yet, the Rocks' line stood up before Kipfer got the ball right back. This Friday afternoon, it's Plymouth at Farmington. . . . Something will have to give Farmington beat Bentley in its opener.

Reserves Help In 1st Win: St. Agatha Runs Away

The depth problem solved! Coach Dave Brazil of St. Agatha high school's football team is hoping he finally has found some second and third stringers to back up his regulars—a nagging source of anguish in the past few seasons at the parish school. Brazil liked what he saw in the second half last Saturday night when he played his second and third stringers after the regulars had piled up a 34-0 lead against Immaculate Conception at Hamtramck Stadium. Although the second- and third-handers didn't score, they gave up just one touchdown and showed that they can be counted upon for more duty as the season continues this coming Sunday afternoon with the campaign's home opener against Our Lady of Sorrows at Lola Valley Junior High. The kickoff will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday night's final score read 34-7 and the explosives of the St. Agatha attack against a much bigger foe was another

U.D. Picks Calihan as Sport Chief

Hats off to Bob Calihan, the newly named athletic director of the University of Detroit.

Calihan is well known in the Greater Livonian area for his numerous appearances in recent years as the Titans' basketball coach.

He will continue to guide the U.D. gridders and serve as the head man of the University's athletic department.

Before assuming coach of the Titans, Calihan starred at the university in basketball and later played on professional teams.

Wayne to Open Harrier Season

Frank McBride hopes his Wayne State Harriers will return to championship form Saturday when they open against Central Michigan at the River Rouge Course at 11 a.m. Last year the Tartars completed a 7-3 overall mark and finished second in the Presidents' Athletic Conference tournament. Before that, they had gone undefeated in four consecutive conference championships. Under McBride's mentorship they finished last year's season with a 7-3 record.