DRC Reviews Expansion, Names New Director

The appointment of a new Director and a comprehensive review of the $2,500,000 expansion program highlighted the annual meeting of the Board of Directors and stockholders of the Detroit Race Course Wednesday (April 21.)

Named to the Board of Directors was Dr. Robert C. Bennett, who has been prominent in Detroit's civic cultural, professional and athletic activities for many years.

In announcing the election of Dr. Bennett, DRC President Shaffer said:

"I am delighted to have Dr. Bennett join the other outstanding men on our Board of Directors. Through the years, they have contributed heavily to the progress thoroughbred racing has made in Michigan and to the success of the Detroit Race Course."

Dr. Bennett

Shaffer said Dr. Bennett's broad scope of activities and his deep interest in sports made his addition to the Board of Directors a significant one.

"It always has been our aim to have our Board of Directors one which would be truly representative of the community," Shaffer said. We strive for a cross section of interests."

Dr. Bennett is Chief of Staff at Kirwood General Hospital; Chief Medical Examiner of the Michigan State Athletic Board of Control; a member of the Executive Board of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and a Board member of the Detroit Civic League.

The Board of Directors, who approved the construction of the new clubhouse at a special meeting last October 19, had their first opportunity to inspect the progress which has been made.

Shaffer pointed out the structural steel work has been completed and that now the electrical, plumbing, masonry and interior work will be able to proceed with greater speed.

"From the outset it was our intention to make the new clubhouse one of the finest in the United States," Shaffer said, "That has been, and will continue to be, our incentive as we move toward completion."

In addition to the new clubhouse, the DRC expansion program includes a completely refurbished grandstand area, new close-in parking lots and a new entrance from Inkster Road which will speed the flow of traffic.

The Detroit Race Course's 1965 meeting will be for 84 days, opening August 2 and continuing through November 6.

Shaffer, William C. McKay, Executive Vice President; Paul R. Ryder, Vice President-operations; and Don W. Gardner, Secretary, were re-elected.

Thurston Falls To Powerhouse In Track Meet

The next state Class A high school track champion?

It could be Roseville high, winner of the Huron Relays and co-champs in the Spartan Relays.

The East siders showed strong Thurston just how strong they are in scoring a 68-41 win in a dual meet last Tuesday.

Thurston managed victories in five of the events, but Roseville had too much all-around depth for Coach Bob Lake's Thurston contingent.

Al Phillips, the Thurston ace, remained unbeaten in the broad jump as he sailed 21 feet, 7 inches. Teammate Don Bristol was third in the event.

Phillips made it a double by taking the high jump with a fine leap of five feet, 10 inches.

Rick Stefani also recorded "a double" for Thurston as he took both the hurdles. Stefani stepped the 120-yard highs in 16.2 seconds and covered the 180 yard lows in 21.2 seconds.

Thurston's only other conquest came in the mile where Bob Grim paced the field in 4:41.

Here's how the Thurston team placed against Roseville:

Shot Put: 2—Jerry Szostack.
Bread Jump: 1—Al Phillips, 3—Don Bristol. Time: 21 feet, 7½ inches.
High Jump: 1—Phillips. Height: 5 feet, 10 inches.
Pole Vault: 3—Jim McEwen.
Mile: 1—Bob Grim, 3—Jim Touchette. Time: 4:41.
120-yard High Hurdles: 1—Rick Stefani, 2—Leonard Cyr. Time: 16.2 seconds.
880-yard Run: 3—Ralph Stanifer.
440-yard: 2—Bristol, 3—Tom Adamson.
180-yard Low Hurdles: 1—Stefani, 3—Cyr. Time: 21.2 seconds.
220-yard Dash: 3—Charles Noble.
Mile Relay: 2—Thurston.
880-yard Relay: 2—Thurston.

Matmen in Bitter Feud At Olympia

Wilbur Snyder and Gene Giniski will renew their bitter ring feud Saturday (April 24) when they meet in a main event wrestling match at Olympia.

Snyder, former U. S. heavyweight champion, and Kiniski, a pro football star with the Edmonton Eskimos, staged a wild brawl March 26 with Snyder winning the only fall but Kiniski taking the bout.

The strange twist occurred when Kiniski attacked Snyder during the rest period between falls and tossed him out of the ring. Snyder's leg was badly injured and he could not continue.

Since wrestlers cannot be disqualified between falls, Kiniski was declared the winner when Snyder limped to the dressing room.

The rematch will be a one-fall affair with a 60-minute time limit.

In the other half of a double main event, Dick the Bruiser will put his world heavyweight title on the line against former champion Golden Moose Cholak, a huge 350-pounder, outweighs the Bruiser by about 100 pounds and is expected to give the champion his roughest title defense.

Thurston Wins In Opener

The baseball season opened on a happy note for Thurston high school.

Although Coach Bob Leggatt's squad was reduced to only two veterans because of graduation losses, Thurston was able to nip Cherry Hill, 4-3, in its initial encounter.

Jim Sproul and Terry Rothwell, the lone carryovers, played a major role in the victory.

Sproul pitched the route, gave up six hits and fanned 12. He didn't walk a batter.

He had to work over some shaky support in several instances and then had to put down a Cherry Hill rally in the sixth inning.

Two errors led to Cherry Hill's first run in the second inning. Then Thurston came back to score three times when Rob Symanski singled and Reg Barringer doubled him across. Sproul singled Barringer to third and both men counted on a double by Rothwell.

The fourth Thurston run came when John Page singled, was forced at second by Mike Bernhardt and Symanski came through with another hit.

Cherry Hill tallied twice in the sixth before Sproul put out the fire. He retired the side in order in the final inning.

Boys!! Saturday Is Deadline For Registration

Saturday is the final registration for boys in the South Farmington Baseball program. Those interested are urged to register between the hours of 9 a.m. to noon at Farmington Junior High.

No registrations will be accepted after Saturday unless approved by the 16-member executive board. Registrations will be accepted for T-Ball, Little League, Pony and Colt from ages 8 through 16.

Boys signing up for the Pony and Colt Leagues will play and no tryouts will be required. The fee for playing in any league is $7 per boy or $10 a family.

Commissioner Charles Kupferschmidt indicated the board has received a number of new registrations in all programs and must close on April 24 so that officials can organize the program.

CROWDS FORMED long lines as they milled around the betting rings at Wolverine Raceway Saturday for the opening of the harness racing season in Livonia. A surprising 10,968 turned out and wagered an astonishing $566,191—the largest Saturday night handle for a harness racing plant in Michigan. The 55-night meeting continues through Saturday, June 20.

R.U. Routs Trenton

Paced by double winners Alan Maibach and Eric Vargo and a brilliant performance by sophomore Jack Shepard in the mile run, Redford Union's trackmen opened its activities in the Suburban Six League dual meet competition with a onesided 83-26 victory over Trenton on the RU track.

Maibach won the high jump with a leap of 5' 7" and the 120-yard high hurdles in :16.5 while Vargo swept the dashes with a clocking of :10.6 in the 100 and :24.2 in the 220. Vargo also anchored the winning half-mile relay team to a 1:40.4 victory.

Shepard, who shows promise of becoming the best miler in RU history, upset defending league champion John Daniel with a surprising time of 4:37 over the heavy track.

The Panthers made a sweep in the long jump where Terry Shirkey, Glenn Davis and John Koenig finished 1-2-3 and also in the pole vault where Ted Gillespie, Jim Parnim and Bob Lagana took the first three places. Shirkey leaped 19' 7" and Gillespie cleared 10' 6".

RU won 11 of the 13 events, losing only the shot put and the low hurdles.

Other winners were: Mike McCrea in the 440 with a time of :56.2 and Steve Crane in the 880 with 2:09.3.

The Panthers clash in a triangular meet at Walled Lake on Tuesday with Thurston as the third team and then travel to Highland Park for a dual meet on Thursday afternoon.

The Prep Schedule

BASEBALL

WEDNESDAY — Garden City East at Schafer, North Farmington at Redford Union, Cherry Hill at Lutheran West.

THURSDAY — Clarenceville at Clarkson.

FRIDAY — Garden City East at Lutheran West, Franklin at Wayne, Redford Union at Farmington, Walled Lake at North Farmington, Pontiac St. Fredericks at Our Lady of Sorrows, Orchard Lake St. Mary's at St. Agatha.

MONDAY — Lowrey at Garden City East, Allen Park at Bentley, Thurston at Glenn, North Farmington at Franklin, Kennedy at Garden City West, Belleville at Redford Union, Plymouth at Trenton, Bloomfield Hills at Clarenceville.

TUESDAY—St. Agatha at Pontiac St. Frederick, St. Michael at Our Lady of Sorrows, Pontiac Northern at Farmington.

TRACK

WEDNESDAY — N. Farmington at Franklin, Brighton at Clarenceville.

THURSDAY — Thurston at Glenn, Redford Union at Highland Park, Lutheran West at Garden City East.

FRIDAY — West Bloomfield at Clarenceville, Pontiac Northern at Farmington.

TUESDAY — Garden City West at Lowrey, Ypsilanti at Bentley.

TENNIS

WEDNESDAY — Cherry Hill at Garden City West.

FRIDAY — Walled Lake at North Farmington.

MONDAY — North Farmington at Franklin, Kennedy at Garden City West, Clarenceville at Milford.

TUESDAY — Bentley at Plymouth, Pontiac Northern at Farmington.

GOLF

WEDNESDAY — John Glenn at Garden City West.

THURSDAY — Garden City West at Haston, Our Lady of Sorrows vs. St. Frederick at Pontiac Country Club.

FRIDAY — Bentley at Walled Lake.

MONDAY — Franklin and North Farmington at John Glenn, Groves and Oak Park at Thurston, St. Mary's Orchard Lake at Our Lady of Sorrows, Dearborn at Bentley, Plymouth at Redford Union.

TUESDAY — Southgate at Garden City West.

Rocks Lose Net Meets, Each by 4-3

Plymouth High's tennis team suffered a pair of 4-3 defeats last week.

First it was to Ann Arbor and then to Trenton.

All three Rock victories against Ann Arbor came in the doubles competition. Rick Jones teamed with Bob Waters, Clark Raven joined Jim Bruff and Tim Wernette played with Gary Fuelder to beat their opponents.

In the Trenton match, Plymouth's No. 1 singles' player, Dave Tidwell, triumphed as did the Jones-Waters and Raven-Bruff doubles pairs.

Sprints Cost Bentley Loss

Lack of sprinters cost Bentley high school a 60-49 defeat at the hands of Inkster Robichaud in a dual track meet.

The Livonians drew a blank in both the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes. In each race, Robichaud placed one-two-three.

In addition, Bentley had to settle for a second in the 880-yard relay in which each man goes 220-yards. A second in the relays results in no points in dual meets.

"Failing to score in three events just killed us," said Bentley Coach Ron Fedraw.

Dan Lare carried off individual honors for Bentley. He won the long (broad) jump with a leap of 20 feet, came back to take the pole vault with an 11-foot effort.

Lare also ran third in the low hurdles and the second leg of the 880-yard relay team.

Jim Gregg of Bentley finished in a tie for second in the high jump and then came back to win the pole vault.

Phil Balla in the 880-yard run and Doug Thomas in the low hurdles accounted for other individual wins for Bentley, whose mile relay team also came through on top.

Here's how Bentley entries placed:

Long Jump: 1—Dan Lare, 3—Rick Koch. Distance: 20 feet.

Shot Putt: 2—Frank Miller, 3—Larry Haggert.

High Jump: Tie between Jim Gregg (B) and Robichaud entry. 3—Phil Balla.

Pole Vault: 1—Lare, 3—Larry Grim. Height: 11 feet.

High Hurdles: 3—Doug Thomas.

880-yard Run: 1—Balla, 3—Larry Good. Time: 2:03.7.

440-yard Run: 2—Mark Formsma, 3—Dick Dudzinski.

Low Hurdles: 1—Thomas, 3—Lare. Times: 21.1 seconds.

Mile Relay: 1—Bentley (Formsma, Dudzinski, Balla, Gregg). Time: 52.7 seconds.

880-yard Relay: 2—Bentley (Thomas, Lare, Bob Douglas, Rick London).

Observing Sports

(Continued from First Page)

Bases full, one out. Batter drills fair shot on the ground into right field. Runner from third easily scores. So does man who was on second. But runner from first is flagged trying to make it three runs. In the meantime, batter-runner has reached third, but defensive team makes a play back to first base and umpire calls batter-runner out for failing to touch the initial sack. How many runs score? None. Re-read what we said in the paragraph above.)

2—If a fielder throws his glove—and hits—a fair hit ball, the batter-runner automatically is entitled to three bases. He can make it to the plate on his own risk.

3—When there are runners on first and second or the bases are loaded with less than two out, the infield fly rule prevails. Should a batter pop one up, which an infielder can catch with reasonable effort, the batter automatically is out. The other runners don't have to advance. If they do, they're on their own. (It's possible a popup can be ruled an "infield fly" even if it is caught by an outfielder.)

4—The regulation which requires a manager to change pitchers the second time he makes a trip to the mound exists in the American League only. There is no such rule in high school, or Little League play or sandlot action. However, in many amateur circuits a variation of the American League rule has been adopted. Usually, a pitcher is through, if a manager makes a second visit in the SAME INNING to the mound.

5—Until the starting lineups have been turned over to the umpire, the home team has the right to call off a game because of weather or other reasons. Once a pitch has been delivered, the umps alone can curtail the proceedings.

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6—Whether it's a nine-inning or seven-inning game, it's not official until 4½ innings have been played (with the home team in front), or five full innings have completed with the visitors on top. At Tiger Stadium, you can't cash a rain check once five innings have been finished, even if the score is tied.

7—If a batter interferes with the catcher while a man is trying to steal home, the runner coming in from third is called out if there were less than two outs when the play began. If there were two outs when the pitch was delivered, the batter is called out. In short, the worst penalty is inflicted in such situations.

8—If a runner leaves a base too soon on a fly ball, or bats out of turn, or misses a base, it's up to the defensive team to call the umpire's attention to such an infraction and make a proper appeal play. The umpire can't say a word until such an appeal has been made.

9—When making an appeal, teams should be cautioned that if time has been called, the only way for an appeal to be legal is for the ball to be placed on the mound by the pitcher. He then can step off the mound and fire to the base in question. If no timeout has been called, the ball may be thrown directly to the base.

10—Yes, it is possible for one umpire to overrule another. Usually, they won't.

11—In high school games, a batter may be called out if he comes to the plate without a helmet or protector in his cap. However, most umpires generally call timeout and order the player to get on a protector.

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12—If a batter slams the ball off the pitching rubber and the ball rolls across the foul line between the plate and first, or the plate and third . . . it is A FOUL Ball.

13—When a grounder strikes an infielder between bases, the runner is automatically out. The batter is credited with a single and no other runners may advance, unless they must to permit the batter-runner to reach first.

14—In high school and sandlot games, the ground rules usually vary, but according to the official baseball rules, if there is a runner on second and the batter hits to the shortstop, the runner from second may score if the shortstop tosses the ball into the stands. This holds true, even if the runner hasn't left second.

15—A fair-hit ball which bounces over any fence restricts the batter to TWO BASES.

There are more rules which we might fire out, but for the moment, study the above and remember them at any ball game you see.

Glenn Upsets G. C. West In Opener

Garden City West High baseballers opened the season on a sad note with a 2-1 loss to John Glenn High of Nankin Township, largely because of mental lapses.

Garden City took a 1-0 lead in the third when Pitcher Bob Ardell walked, stole second, went to third on an infield out and tallied on a passed ball. But that was the last scoring opportunity for West who's bats were stilled by Glenn's Bob Nelson for three scattered hits.

Glenn knotted the count in the sixth when a cutoff play went awry. With runners on first and third, both Glenn players started to advance on a strikeout but the relay from the West High second baseman back to the plate was too late to cut off the score.

Then in the seventh, Glenn pushed across the winning run on a pair of walks and a single.

West used four hurlers in the losing effort. The Garden City coach decided to test as many players as possible regardless of the outcome and his plan succeeded in every place but the final score. His quartet of hurlers wielded only three hits but wildness cost the victory.

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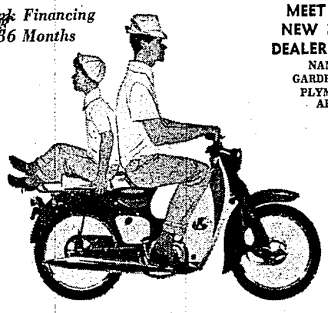

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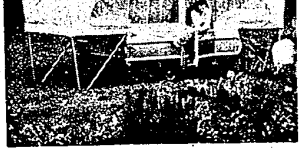

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