Pairings Set for Anders Invitational Baseball Tourney

A 12-team field will contest in the second annual Les Anders Greater Livonia invitational baseball tournament which will be dedicated to the memory of the man who helped to get the meet started last season.

CHECKING PAIRINGS for the first annual Les Anders Memorial baseball tournament are John Dufour (left), director of the Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation, and Bob Bentley, of Franklin High, who will serve as tourney supervisor and representative of the Livonia Optimist Club. The 12-man tourney is sponsored by the DPR, Optimist Club and the Observer Newspapers.

Anders, long-time coach and athletic director at Livonia high schools, recently passed away as he made plans with officials of Livonia's recreation department and The Observer Newspapers for the 1966 prep tournament.

The entry includes all schools, except Farmington and North Farmington Highs, in the area serviced by the Observer Newspapers.

Schedule conflicts made it impossible for Farmington and North Farmington to enter the Invitational.

The meet is scheduled to begin on Saturday, May 21 with four games. A single encounter will be held on Sunday, May 22.

Three games are booked for Saturday, May 28, with the semifinals for May 30 and the final game for Saturday, June 4.

The lighted diamond at Livonia's Henry Ford Field on Middlebelt Road will be the scene of all tournament games, unless the weather dictates otherwise.

"It shapes up as a great meet," said Bob Green, newly appointed athletic director for the Livonia Recreation Department.

The tourney again will be conducted on a one-game-out basis, following the procedure set up in 1965 when Franklin bested Redford Union in the championship game.

Franklin will begin the defense of its title against St. Agatha on May 21 at 7 p.m.

Other first-round games will match John Glenn against Clarenceville at 3 p.m., Thurston vs. Bentley at 5 and Stevenson vs. Garden City West at 9 p.m.

Garden City East, Redford Union, Our Lady of Sorrows and Plymouth all drew first-round byes.

In the second round it will be East vs. Redford Union along with Sorrows vs. Plymouth. In addition the second round action will match the Stevenson-West winner against the Glenn Clarenceville victor and the Thurston-Bentley survivor against the Franklin-St. Agatha winner.

The Invitational shapes up with one held at Wyandotte as the largest held in the Greater Detroit area. Many observers feel that meets such as the one held in Livonia will serve as the stepping stone to an eventual state high school baseball tournament in Michigan.

The prep diamond schedule for 1966 was to begin on an all-out basis this week. Thurston managed to get in a game last week despite the chills and the snow.

By next week, all of the area's 14 varsity high school teams will be facing rugged campaigns.

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FIGURE TO MAKE FLAG BID

Tigers Open Home Season Friday Against Washington

The Tigers, who agree with the experts that they will cut a fancy figure in the American League pennant race, will lift the curtain on the home season Friday with a gala Opening Day at Tiger Stadium.

Hurrying home from a scheduled three-game series in New York, the optimistic Tigers will take on the Washington Senators at 1:30 p.m. before a crowd which is expected to reach 35,000 if the weather is kind.

Customary Opening Day ceremonies have been arranged, with Gov. George Romney and Mayor Jerome P. Cavanagh again participating. A band under the direction of Merle Alvey will provide music from noon until the 1:10 p.m. ceremonies. Vocalists for the National Anthem and flag raising again will be Shirley Ann Settles and Robert Hund.

The Detroit Firemen's Association will present the customary floral horseshoe to Manager Chuck Dressen, who missed last year's opening because of illness. The Greater Detroit Board of Commerce also will participate, for the first time.

An innovation for Tiger fans will be organ music during the game and all future games. A Hammond electric organ has been installed and Bill Fox, well-known in Detroit music circles, engaged to play it. On Opening Day, he will perform between innings of the game but after that game also will be heard 30 minutes before each game.

The starting lineup is almost intact from last season, when the Tigers were plagued by an unprecedented string of injuries, but there are some new names which have stirred interest.

Mickey Stanley, who came up from the minors late last year, appears to have won the center-field position, flanked by Al Kaline and Willie Horton. Dick Tracewski, obtained from the Los Angeles Dodgers, seems certain to share much of the time at second base with Jerry Lumpe, with Norm Cash, Dick McAuliffe and Don Wert rounding out the infield.

Behind the plate, Bill Freehan finished spring training with a surge, but the No. 2 catcher is another newcomer, Orlando McFarlane, drafted from the Pittsburgh farm system.

The best-known addition to the pitching staff is Bill Monbouquette, veteran righthander obtained from the Boston Red Sox. He has joined Hank Aguirre, Denny McLain, Mickey Lolich and Joe Sparma in the starting mound rotation, with Dave Wickersham moving into the bullpen as the No. 1 relief pitcher.

The Tigers' first home stand will be a short one. After meeting the Senators Friday afternoon, Saturday afternoon (3 p.m.), and Sunday, they will hit the road again until April 25, when they return for the first of 45 night dates on the schedule.

They will meet Minnesota's defending league champions that night and again the following night. After that come the Kansas City Athletics, April 27-28; Baltimore Orioles April 29-30 and May 1; and the Boston Red Sox May 3-4.

Thurston Wins in Twin Debut

It was a sweet debut for coach Emil Majeski and his Thurston High School baseball team.

Making his bow as Thurston's head diamond commander, Majeski directed the Townshippers to a 10-0 whitewashing over Romulus.

Majeski took over from Bob Legatt, who's now handling sports at Schoolcraft College.

Vic Pilar, a lefty, pitched in mid season form for Thurston, despite the low 40-degree weather. This is what Pilar accomplished:

1—Flipped a shutout.
2—Allowed only one hit, a single in the fifth inning.
3—Struck out 14.
4—Walked six.

Thurston jumped off to a 4-0 lead in the first inning and wrapped up matters with a five-run barrage in the fifth.

Four members of the winning side lashed out a pair of hits. Paul Santangello cracked a single and triple, Dan Harris

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Franklin Trackmen Start Fast

Slams in the 100-yard dash the mile and the half-mile helped Franklin high's track team to turn back Dearborn Edsel Ford, 64-45, in its opening outdoor, dual meet of the season.

However, 48 hours later Franklin had to settle for second behind Dearborn in a tri-

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OBSERVING SPORTS

By George Maskin

Some 20 years ago on the homeward leg of a Florida honeymoon for a couple very dear to us, the best available airline connections called for a switch in planes in Atlanta, Ga., after stops in Jacksonville, Fla., and Brunswick, Ga.

In Brunswick, a gent popped aboard for what he figured would be a 30-minute hop to Atlanta where he had some afternoon business. He planned to return to Brunswick in time for dinner.

As so frequently happened in those early days of flying, weather socked in Atlanta. The pilot made three passes at the airport. He gave up in the thick fog.

"We'll try Jackson, Miss.," the man from the cockpit declared.

When the plane approached Jackson, the pilot again spoke up: "Sorry, folks, it's too foggy there, too. We're going on to Dallas, Tex. We know that place is clear for a landing."

And, it was.

Sixty worn and hungry passengers never were happier to land. And the gent who got on in Brunswick remarked:

"How'll I ever explain this to my wife. She'll insist I was drunk."

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The incident came to mind the other day when we called our better half around 5 p.m. and said:

"Dearest one, forget about that supper . . ."

"What do you mean?" snapped an angry female.

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West Rips Two Foes In Track

Two meets don't make a season.

Judging by what Garden City West High's track team did last week, a happy spring would appear on the horizon for Coach Bill Pinell and his athletes.

West started out in a high gear by crushing rival Garden City East, 84-25. Two days later, West went against John Glenn High of Wayne and emerged with another easy triumph, this time by a 68-41 score.

A pair of Mikes—Taft and Alexander—and Charles (Chuck) Sullivan starred in the double sweep for West.

In the meet against East, Raft won the high jump and the long jump and was second in the low hurdles. Alexander copped the two dashes, while Sullivan took the pole vault, rank second in the mile, placed third in the long jump and anchored the winning sprint relay.

Against Glenn, Alexander again turned in victories in the two dashes, while Sullivan copped the mile and the pole vault.

Glenn's flashy Kuban, a star in football last fall, turned in victories in both the shot put and the lump jump to star for his team.

The results:

WEST 84, EAST 25

Shot Put: 1—Berrard (E). 2—Elmendorf (W), 3—Gillespie (W). Distance: 44 feet, 2½ inches.

High Jump: 1—Taft (W), 2—Murphy (W) and Shartell (W). Height: 5 feet, 8 inches.

Long Jump: 1—Taft (W). 2—Croll (E), 3—Sullivan (W). Distance: 21 feet, 6¼ inches.

880-yard relay: 1 — East. Time: 1:41.5.

Mile: 1—Norris (E). 2—Sullivan (W). 3—Carper (W). Time: 4:55.

High hurdles: 1—Robertson (W). 2—Canjar (W). 3—Collyer (E). Time: 18.4 seconds.

880-yard run: 1—Slata (W), 2—Tharp (W), 3—Okon (E). Time: 2:12.

440-yard run: 1—Wolff, (W), 2—Willis (E), 3—McGrath (W). Time: 55.1 seconds.

100-yard dash: 1—Alexander (W), 2 — Merriman (W). 3 — Croll (E). Time: 11 seconds.

Low Hurdles; 1—Brown (W), 2—Robertson (W), 3—Lewis (E).

220-yard run: 1—Alexander (W), 2—Taft (W), 3— Fodor (W). Time: 24.7 seconds.

Pole Vault: 1—Sullivan (W). 2—McGrath (W), 3—Merriman (W). Height: 12 feet, 6 inches.

Mile relay: 1—West, 2—East. Time: 3:51.8.

WEST 68, GLENN 41

Shot put: 1—Kuban (G), 2—Young (G), 3—Gaiser (G). Distance: 44 feet, 4 inches.

Long Jump: 1—Kuban (G), 2—Taft (W), 3—Sullivan. Distance: 21 feet, 5 ½ inches.

880-yard relay: 1—West, 2—Glenn. Time: 1:41.

High Jump: 1—Wideen (G). 2 tie for second—Shartell (W) and Holman (G). Heights: 5 feet, 6 inches.

Mile: 1—Sullivan (W). 2—Casper (W), 3—Arble (G). Time: 5:06.

High Hurdles: 1—Jackson(G), 2—Robertson (W), 3—McLoo (G). Time: 17.5 seconds.

880-yard: 1—Tharp (W), 2—Kurenski (G), 3—Phillips (G). Time: 2:17.

440-yard: 1—Wolff (W), 2—Wozny (G), 3—Herrick (W). Time: 56.5 seconds.

100-yard dash: 1—Alexander (W). 2—Merriman (W). 3—Fodor (W). Time: 10.8 seconds.

Low Hurdles: 1—Brown (W), 2—Osborn (G), 3—Jackson (G).

220-yard run: 1—Alexander (:W), 2—Fodor (W), 3—Biggs (G). Time: 24.8 seconds.

Mile relay: 1—West, 2—Glenn. Time: 3:55.

Pole Vault: 1—Sullivan (W), 2—McGrath (W), 3 — Holman (G). Height: 11 feet.

U-M Track Coach Named Honorary Boss of Relays

ANN ARBOR—Don Canham, University of Michigan track coach has been named as honorary referee of the colleges for the 72nd annual Penn Relays, April 29-30 at Franklin Field, Pa., according to meet director Kenneth Doherty.

Canham, now in his 18th year at Michigan as head coach, captained the 1941 Wolverine team, then coached by Doherty. Later he succeeded Doherty as head coach.

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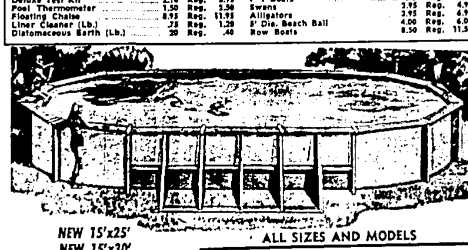

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