

# A Sports First: Woman To Light Olympic Torch

The women are "taking over" in this world. Don't believe it? Well, look who has been selected to light the torch in Mexico City when the Olympics open in October. A gal, and that's something which never before has taken place.

The Mexicans have selected Norma Enriqueta Basilio Soleté, 30, a hurdler, to make the last dash through the stadium with a flame torch brought from Mount Olympus, Miss Soleté also will move up the steps and set the torch alight.

THE DETROIT COUGARS soccer team can't seem to shake the losing blues. The Cougars went down to their tenth setback in 11 games when beaten by Oakland, 3-2. Sellmir Mileosevic booted in all three goals for the winners.

IF YOU'RE PATIENT, happiness is bound to come your way. Take Rocky Colavito. He was born and grew up in the shadows of Yankee Stadium in New York City. He wanted to play with the Yankees as a youngster.

QUESTION: Who was the last American League pitcher to be acclaimed as the circuit's most valuable player? Answer Bobby Shantz of the Philadelphia A's in 1952.

But he wound up with Cleveland, came to Detroit, went on to Chicago and finally Los Angeles before, after 15 years, he's made it to New York and a job with the Yankees. So what does he do in his first appearance as a Yankee? Yep, you're right...he smacks a homer.

DANNY LITWHLER, the Michigan State baseball coach, has been named to lead a U.S. amateur team in a tournament to be held in Mexico City, Nov. 3-10, in connection with the Olympics.

He'll scan reports from professional and college scouts before selecting who goes. One prime candidate would be

## Farmington Eyes Upset In Last Legion Action

With the role of "spillers" facing them, Farmington's American Legion team reaches the end of the line for 1968 battling Walled Lake Sunday in a doubleheader on the Lakers diamond. Farmington has a chance to keep the Lakers from the crown, since Walled Lake and Southfield enter the final day of play deadlocked for the top.

He allowed only three hits and fanned 11. Farmington started with three runs in the first inning when Drapalski singled, Thomas walked, Henke singled, Steve Sager singled in one tally and Kujawa singled over a pair. In the second inning, Tom Sieder and Thomas walked and scored on Henke's triple. Kujawa followed with another RBI single.

Comes Close Mrs. James Portney of Livonia shot 47-45-32 to place third in the Women's Metropolitan Golf Association tournament at Hickory Hollow, Mrs. Peter McAlpine of Southfield won with a 50.

Thomas walked and Sager singled in the fourth. They pulled off a double steal and scored on Kujawa's third single which gave him five runs batted in during the game. Kujawa's dad, Harry, manages the Farmington team.

## Sandlot Schedule

**CONNIE MACK**  
**TUESDAY**  
 Hubert Realty (Livonia) vs. Livonia Optimists  
 Livonia Elite vs. Corvian-Moss  
 4:30: Garden City West vs. East  
 6:30: Garden City East vs. East  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 Cardinal (Dearborn) vs. Dearborn Heights  
 Dearborn Heights vs. Dearborn Heights  
 Dearborn Heights vs. Dearborn Heights  
**THURSDAY**  
 McKey's (Livonia) vs. Northville  
 4:30: Phillips vs. Allen  
 6:30: Marshall vs. Plymouth  
 4:30: Livonia Optimists vs. Livonia Elite  
 6:30: Redford vs. Garden City  
 4:30: Garden City West  
 6:30: Garden City East  
 4:30: Livonia Spartans vs. Livonia Elite  
**FRIDAY**  
 Cardinal (Dearborn) vs. Dearborn Heights  
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Harold (Spud) Kendrick of Piedford Township, who is Litwhiler's No. 1 catcher at Michigan State.

JACK NICKLAUS, a favorite in every golf tournament, including the PGA which ends Sunday in San Antonio—hasn't won on the tour in almost a year.

THE NATIONAL BASEBALL Library at Cooperstown, N.Y., will be dedicated next Monday. The library is adjacent to baseball's hall of fame.

THE MONEY DEPT.: Jim Stefanich of Joliet, Ill., is pulling away in the dollar category in the Pro Bowlers Association. He's already won \$59,600, some \$24,000 ahead of runner-up Dave Davis of Phoenix.

A \$1,000 PURSE will be at stake next Thursday when the superstocks race for their midsummer championship at the Mt. Clemens race track.

ARTHUR ASHE, a semi-finalist at Wimbledon, obviously didn't like 90-degree weather. He wilted in the scorching heat at Milwaukee to lose to Pat Corrado of Chile in the U.S. Clay Court championships.

CLIFF JONES and Gene Washington, both former Michigan State football stars, have signed their contracts with the Minnesota Vikings.

Another ex-Spartan, Daignt Lee, has been doing some miffy running in the camp of the San Francisco 49ers.

THE TIGERS as a team have been hitting only .228. Their pitchers have a combined earned run average of 2.81, led by reliever Pat Dobson at 1.47.

PITCHER WADE Blain-game has been lost to the Houston Astros, perhaps for the rest of the season. He had to undergo emergency surgery after being hit in the groin by a batted ball.

PAUL CASANOVA, an all-star catcher with Washington last year, has been recalled by the Nats from their Buffalo farm team. The Nats had to send Casanova down to the minors when his hitting dropped below .200.

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