

Plymouth Goes On Bat Spree

While the two powers, Redford and Livonia rested for their showdown at Ford Field Sunday at 6:30 p.m., Plymouth's Class A baseball team went on a wild spree Wednesday to batter Westland, 16-7.

It wasn't the biggest scoring game of the season for Plymouth. Earlier the team had poured over 17 runs against Dearborn Heights.

The Kistabeth brothers, Mike and Ken, shared the pitching for the winners and neither was pressed too much. Their mates were not so hot with their bats as was the 90-degree temperature that prevailed.

Plymouth wasted no time

Tigers

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and Wilson who brought a flock of cheers to the Tiger camp. He allowed six hits and worked with a lead from the fourth inning when Jim Northrup and Horton singled and Phil Freeman delivered a sacrifice fly.

Detroit added two more runs when Don Wert singled, McAuliffe doubled, Stanley singled and Northrup poked out a sacrifice fly.

That was all Wilson needed. The Tigers roared the hot Baltimore Orioles their foes for a four-game weekend series which ends with a doubleheader Sunday.

scoring. In the first inning two walks and singles by John Gilles, Pete Lomonaco and Larry Wells netted two runs.

IN THE SECOND INNING, Plymouth cashed six times. Mike Kistabeth singled to open the festivities. Two errors and a sacrifice followed before Pete Woodard, John Gilles and Lomonaco singled in succession.

To cap the inning, Wells doubled in two runs.

In the fourth Jared Stevens singled over Gilles and Wells, who had singled and walked, respectively.

Two more runs came across in the fifth when Brian Gilles doubled, Woodard tripled and Westland was guilty of an error.

To wrap up the scoring in the seventh, Plymouth put together singles by Woodard, Stevens, Ken Kistabeth and John Bida, with a pair of errors.

REDFORD, unbeaten in the third round, needs a victory Sunday over Livonia to virtually sew up the third round crown. Livonia has lost only once in six games.

The Livonians will have to operate minus their manager, Ron Hillier. He was ejected in last Monday's game between the two teams and under league rules must sit out one contest. So, he says, he'll do his sitting on the hill, well back of home plate.

On the sandlots, too, it's been a great year for the pitchers.

As happy a one for the hitters.

This was typified by two of the Greater Livonia - Connie Mack League games Tuesday.

McKay's Partyville of Garden City edged the Livonia Spartans, 2-1 while the Livonia Elks turned back the Redford Panthers, 2-1, in another mound thriller.

Greg Pike and Phil Camp locked horns on the mound in the McKay-Spartans duel with Pike the loser, although Camp permitted only two hits.

Camp, unfortunately, allowed both safeties in the third inning when Ed Pulshes doubled, Flemming was safe on a fielder's choice, the next two men on errors and Morrissey singled.

That was all Pike needed to get past second base. Pike fanned eight, his rival 10.

ERRORS AND the inability to deliver the big hit cost Jeff Kaminsky and the Redford Panthers their game with the Livonia Elks.

But not enough can be said about the spectacular relief pitching of Elks' Layne Thompson. He came in with the bases loaded in the final inning and struck out the last two men.

Earlier, the Elks' starter had coasted along until the sixth when he got into a jam. Walks to Kaminsky and Bill Booker and a single by Neal Thomas loaded the bases. Kaminsky scored on Bill Herbert's sacrifice fly.

Then Mike Yourchoczek walked to re-load the sacks before Lee retired the side.

Jim Hall, who had three for three for the winners, singled to start the Elks' two-run uprising in the sixth. Thompson was safe on an error and Charles Booth delivered a single that knocked in both runs.

GARDEN CITY West enjoyed the combined pitching of Pat McHugh and Bob Chidester in downing Livonia's Hubert Realty, 4-3.

McHugh helped himself by doubling over Chuck Evans with the first West run. Evans then knocked in Marty Dork with the second and in the fifth, West tallied three times on a pair of walks and hits by Evans and McHugh.

Hubert scored once when Daniels doubled across Greger, who had singled, and again when Daniels singled, went to second on a passed ball and came in on Crom's single.

THE LIVONIA Optimists

Europe Bound

GRAND RAPIDS -- The Grand Rapids Sullivan baseball team has left for Europe to play in an international tournament against foes from the Netherlands, Italy and the Dutch West Indies.

Mack League A Pitchers' Paradise

rolled from behind with four runs in the final inning to beat Coleman-Moss of Farmington, 6-5.

On the short end of a 5-2 score entering the final inning, the Optimists exploded when Greg Macy and Tim Maline singled in succession. Three errors followed to account for

two runs.

Then Wayne Paulson singled over one run and Bob Casacion responded with a single that drove in the tying and winning markers.

Paulson survived a four-run Coleman bombardment in the first inning to gain the victory for the Optimists.

Hits by Gary Carr, Jay Hazzelroth and Rick Knock, along with an error and two fielder's choices enabled Coleman to get off to its flying start.

Dave Rice, tolling in relief, picked up the victory as the Allen Fence team of Livonia turned back the Plymouth Elks, 6-3.

Rice took over for Ken Gawkowski and was helped along when the Allen team counted four times in the fifth inning.

GARY BATTLE singled over the first Allen run and a double by Mike Perino and single by Hugh Shannon added the second.

In the fifth inning, Battle, Gawkowski and Rice singled for one run. Paul Miller doubled over two more and Joe Berg singled in the finale.

The losers counted in the third inning when Russ Carlson walked, stole second and scored on Dennis Burke's hit.

In the fourth, the Elks produced two runs. Bob Kellman walked and reached third on Ken Olds' double. One run came in on a sacrifice fly by Dale Romberger, the other on Russ Carlson's single.

The losing pitcher was Larry Wasalski.

Livonia's Phillip Service was washed out at Northville by the freak rainstorm which hit certain areas of the suburbs.

Father Like Son And Pop Dools

Father like son... only in this case son makes dad dool a little.

The pop is Fred Holdsworth, who in the late '40's pitched for Wayne State University. Now he is principal at Northville High.

His son Fred Jr., just 16, is about to enter his junior year at Northville where he carved quite a pitching record last spring winning seven and losing only once and compiling a brilliant 1.0 earned run average.

This summer, young Holdsworth is pitching for the Northville teams in the Greater Livonia Free Press and Connie Mack Leagues and he's doing

a tremendous job against play-ers, many of whom now are in college.

Last Wednesday, he set down Garden City Sports, 9-1, in a Free Press encounter. He allowed four hits and fanned six to build his season's record on the sandlots to 4-2.

Holdsworth also is a strong batter. He hit over .300 in high school and is rapping the ball at about the same clip this summer.

Batterymate Pat Cayley slapped out four hits to raise his average to .400 to lead the win over Garden City.

The losers' only run was un-earned. Bob Chidester singled Jim Fury in.

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