

## PIETERS MARK LEGION 9 WIN OVER PONTIAC

Locals Connect For Three  
Circuit Smashes And  
Four Doubles

Pounding two hurlers for 13 hits, including three home runs and four doubles, the local Junior American Legion team swamped the Pontiac Night Hawks, second place club in Class C of the Pontiac city league, by the score of 13 to 7 last Sunday in the monthly. It was the first of a series of games arranged for the local nine following their regular schedule in the American Legion district league.

The Pontiac team threatened to run away with the game in the initial inning when they pushed three markers across but Birmingham rallied and drove two into the next round and then added five more runs in the third frame while the Night Hawks were gathering one. The locals drove the rubber three times in the sixth and put over their final tally in the seventh while the opponents were going scoreless until the eighth, when they tallied two runs, adding another in the ninth.

Five circuit courts were registered in the contest, Orr, Peters and Jones driving the ball out of the park for the locals while Lawson and Stene connected for round trips for the Pontiac club. Orr's wallop came in the big third inning with two mates aboard the sacks. Peters' blow, his second in two games, came in the fourth with one on the baselines. Both of the Birmingham markers in the second frame resulted from the terrific drive of Jones that cleared the bases and is planned to increase this number very rapidly. The officers and committees of these clubs will be publicly announced at a later date.

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team's leading slugger, boasting a batting average of .411 for nine games. The feet footed Thompson, second sacker, has swiped 18 bases to date to lead in that department although he is closely pressed by two mates.

It was announced that the locals will play another game away from home this coming Sunday although the opposition has not yet been determined. "Lefty" Elwood will take the mound in the coming encounter, it was stated.

The line-ups for the game last Sunday is given below:

Birmingham	AB	R	H	E
Potter, 1b	6	2	2	0
Wambau, 2b	5	1	1	0
Rounds, cf	4	1	0	0
Thompson, ss	5	3	3	2
Jonas, rf	2	2	2	0
Orr, lf	5	1	3	0
Bedard, 3b	4	0	0	1
Forester, c	3	0	1	0
Shepard, cf	4	1	1	0
Bottomley, 3b	1	0	0	0
Stene, lf	1	1	1	0
Hogan, cf	1	0	0	0
Totals	42	13	13	3

Pontiac

AB R H E

Lawson, 3b 5 0 1 0  
Peters, 1b 5 1 1 2  
Tomson, lf 4 1 1 0  
Stene, cf 4 0 1 0  
Seibert, ss 4 2 2 0  
Compo, 2b 4 0 0 0  
Stene, cf 4 0 1 0  
W. Lawson, rf 4 1 2 0  
L. Compo, c 4 0 1 0  
Wright, p 4 0 0 1  
Totals 37 7 9 3

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Memory to Retain

HE HAD been leaning forward from one of the padded leather chairs in a corner of the Garden boxing office. Felt that carefully balanced on one knee, he had been listening eagerly to the brisk gossip, watching Marge dispose of too presumptuous free-kick seekers breathing again the breath of what had been life to him for almost fifty years.

Then the crowd had drifted away. I looked at him again. After all times change, old friends drop off quickly. When a man who has been out of close touch so long is shoved again into the spotlight he must wonder if it will be the same. He thought that I noted one garbled hand trembling slightly. We fell to talking, about the illness that had kept him out of the ring for so long.

There were stories about boyhood moments on Oliver street when he used to play marbles with "Governor," a gentleman who is known more familiarly to most others as Joe Murphy.

About how Murphy, who seldom went to fights, once sat beside him at a pulse-strumming bout and punched his ribs black and blue in the midst of the excitement. About how Sullivan named him "Joe the Beautiful," a title which he never preferred to the "Blewery Demosheens" which some newspaper guy tagged on him years later.

There was the proud loss that, for years, he had been able to smoke a cigarette, chew gum and announce a fight at the same time, slow did he come to get into this racket? Well, he was a Newby when he was ten years old and folks who used to listen to him on the old Produce Exchange corner used to admire the power of his voice even then. After that there was a lot of distinction to be achieved as master of ceremonies at balls and parties.

Call for "Beaut" Started  
Famed Announcer's Career

Then one night, when Chuck Connors was meeting Billy Welsh at Maize's Little Casino down on Bowery near Pearl, the regular announcer did not appear. A spectator stood up and demanded that "Joe the Beautiful" be given the job. Joe got it. Whether the "Mayor of Chinatown" that was Connors, best the "Little John L." that was Welsh, on this occasion is something he could not remember. But he did remember that 'was one of the happiest nights of his life.

The very happiest? No, those were swell times when he and Sam Harris and Terry McGovern were in the fight business. Best fighter that ever lived, that Terry.

Secret of success? Well, what he had to have to handle a crowd was a voice, personality and color. It ought to be a deep, bass voice with lots of vibrations. You shouldn't want to antagonize the crowd either. What you should do was use good judgment and try to keep them friendly.

What? Well, yeah, maybe he was sometimes misquoted. But what of it. Suppose he did stand up in the old Garden that last night and demand silence he could pronounce a "postscript" to the famed statue of Diana. The point about that was that he announced fights in this state under three boxing laws since 1899.

Besides, what if some people did laugh at that crack. It made them happy and so kept them satisfied, didn't it? Well, that was the real job of an announcer and if some of those birds who

The ebb and flow of a boxing evening had brought the crowd back into the little office again. Jimmy Johnston was waiting to go downstairs with his old friend. I rose and shook a hand that no longer trembled.

"So long," he said. "I'll be—hey, I tell you what. You're always using old-time pictures on those sports pages of yours. Why don't you come out some day? I've got a lot of them and we could all make some more and—"

Along with so many others, I am going to miss Joe Humphreys.

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NATIONAL Leaguers ever that Charlie Gehring was the best American pitcher in the All-Star clash with Lou Gehrig ranking a very close second. . . . Eddie Stuart, best of the front of the Mount Washington and Crescent A. C. nets, has moved from Westchester to a new business proposition in Boston. Watch Southern California next fall. The behind-the-scenes deep that Howard Jones again has assembled one of the nation's best football teams.

It's tough preparing for an Olympic invasion. A recent letter from Berlin confides that officials have been working overtime stocking up sixteen different brands of chewing gum for the athletes.

Unless it takes a salary cut Jimmy Wilson may be looking for a new job next year. Now that the only great catcher no longer is very active on the playing field his boss seems to feel that a \$17,000 annual salary is too much for a mere Phillie manager.

Van Mungo is not surprised at the unflattering rumors that he misbehaved before the All-Star game. When he checked in at his hotel on Monday morning he was assigned to room 313 and when he did for his breakfast received a \$2 bill in change. After that he was prepared for anything in the way of hard luck.

Pie Traynor Convinced  
Diz Would Make Pirates

Pie Traynor will tell you that if the Pirates had Dirty Dean they would win the pennant easily. . . . Although he is not a pirate, he does not deny that the big boy may do it. The smallest boxing people feel that Joe Louis will need more than a few extra foot of bandage permitted him by the ever-obliging New York boxing commission before he makes a comeback.

Rabbit Wastler, obtained from recently, should be of real help to the Bees. He is one of the best defensive infielders in the business and when he is happy, his 300 in the clutch. His Philadelphia trouble was that he did not like the way Connie Mack treated him. . . . Incidentally, Mr. Mack would be something less than a poplar favorite in Boston even if he returned all that dough he has been taking out of the town since he located the Yawkey bakery. The fans are so far he was in a town on a Sunday for a regularly scheduled contest but would not wait over for the All-Star affair two days later.

Another hot Boston blast is directed at the National League. The fans, who esteem Wally Berger so highly that the Bees were afraid to make several very promising deals for him this spring, cannot understand why he was kept on the bench during the dream game in his home park. . . . Larry Benton, a great pitcher when he served the Braves and Giants, soon will be released by the Baltimore club.

Rudd Hoyle, 185-pound triple-threat star at Hun school in Princeton, is an unrepentable liar. In spite of tempting offers from two major colleges near home, the youngling, who is tabbed as a "surefire varsity," plans to enter Harvard this fall.

The best minor league guy right now is Cliff Melton, who once had a tryout with the Yankees. He is a big, young, limber and not too smart Southerner, possessed of a very good fast ball and a sharp breaking curve. Baltimore is asking \$50,000 for him and will take 28 C's—then Lasky, who possibly is the best Olympic distance star ever developed in the U. S., did his first running as a barefoot boy of thirteen. That was in the cow pasture back of the little red school in his home hamlet of Auburn, Ind. Could it be that team, the team which may end Princeton's football winning streak early in October, already has started practice?

The New York state athletic commission has dug up an old rule which decrees that all prize fight contracts must be signed at the commission's office. This, naturally, will not improve the very messy, boxing situation but should give the matchmaking state officials some well extra chances to get their pictures in the papers.

A Boston regular, who is a Bill Terry hot plate on the "Celebrity" menu, the dish is "Freshly made corned beef and cabbage." Jimmy, Butwell, who came back from the World war to continue his career with the all-star great jockeys, now is a patrol judge.

Jersey City hopes to get the Tomahawk International League franchise next year. Mayor Hague's new stadium, which will cost \$8,000 for baseball and \$5,000 for fights, being the reason for revived sports interest across the river. . . . Even though the Giants are slipping there is no danger of Eddie Brannick losing his title as the best dressed secretary in baseball. On the club's last Western trip, he packed 48 brightly striped and dotted neckties. . . . Aside from winning prize fights lightweight contender Leonard Del Genio likes nothing better than to read Charles Dickens.

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## Olympic Test Awaits Helen



Farm girl and track sensation, Helen Stephens, above, if located for Berlin, to compete in the Olympic Games for the United States. Sport experts believe Helen's competitors will be looking at the spikes on those track shoes when the big test comes. Miss Stephens' home is in Fulton, Mo.

Gob Humor  
From the U. S. S. Reina Mercedes Gallin: "What was your job in a civil life?"  
Recruit—Salesman, sir.  
Chief—How can you get plenty of orders around here?"  
—(Adv.)

## POLO CONTEST WON BY KIWANIS CLUB

Strong Detroit Polo Team  
Downed At Clausen Field Sunday

Trouncing the Detroit Polo Club in an indoor polo game last Sunday afternoon at the Clausen Farm Field on the 16 mile road, the Kiwanis Club of Detroit established themselves as a ranking contender for Detroit polo supremacy. The Detroit Polo Club, who won a close victory over the Detroit Gold Hats last week, are one of the strongest polo teams in this section of the country.

Before the game, the Kiwanis Club held their annual field day, which included a barbecue, softball game, races, and horse shows. The Kiwanis Club of Detroit, as well as from the polo game went to the Kiwanis fund for underprivileged children.

The game was played in the afternoon and stands at the 16 mile road east of Grand Rapids. They were formerly at the Detroit Riding and Hunt Club, but were transferred 140 feet and moved to their present location.

Next Sunday the Clausen Farm Beaver will meet the Great Points Bees, both excellent teams, in another of the Sunday polo games. The contest will be played at the Clausen Farm Field.

Line up for last Sunday's game:  
Kiwans Club: No. 1  
N. O. Clausen  
Detroit Polo Club: No. 2  
Art Dewey  
F. Colson  
Ed Dowling  
Don Shapero.

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