

CROSSFIRE

Durocher Stands By ---Shyly

By LOU CHIESI

Walter Alton must s... the days as just about everybody in the National League predicts that he Los Angeles Dodgers will succeed Pittsburgh as pennant winners this summer.

Or perhaps it's just a natural reaction after hearing LeoRoy... and Hal Smith playing, eaters and singing on another television show.

Watching in the wings is none other than Leo Durocher, never a man to play second fiddle in anybody's shadow. Leo was hired as a Dodger coach by O'Malley, amid much fanfare.

THE DODGER top brass shuddered publicly at the very suggestion, and Durocher, under another loyalty pledge, but it doesn't require much imagination to anticipate the consequences.

Mr. O'Malley isn't a man who overlooks such matters. He is likely to take a chance that the new American League club in Los Angeles will be a success.

Los Angeles newspapers can't even bestir themselves to smirk at the attempts of Oregon, Oregon State and Washington to reorganize a conference of the Old Pacific Coast universities.

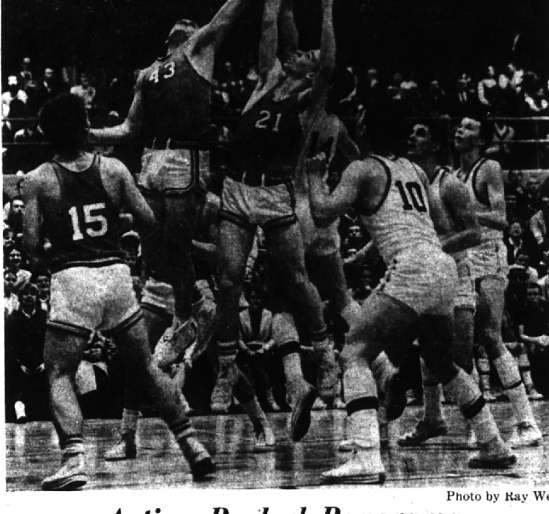


Photo by Ray West

Action Packed Panorama

There's action in every second of a basketball game. Friday, Bloomfield Hills defeated Brighton on the Barons' home court.

Brighton player (43) swings the ball after a shot went astray. His teammates are ready to help. But, in the picture are four Barons cagers ready to move. Doug Dedo (14) is closest to the action.

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AN AMAZING about-face took place with the start of the second half. Play slowed down to a standstill as the Maple cagers were more deliberate in their play.

Only 15 points were scored in the third period. Seaholm got going and Kimball seven. The last period was nearly as close as the third, but both teams opened up a bit. The Maples outscored their opponents 16-14 to show a final margin of 13 points.

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Barons Blast Brighton As Tregenza Pumps 21

The Bloomfield Hills cagers jumped to a 10-1 lead Friday against Brighton and were never headed as they took a 66-40 decision.

The win brought the Barons record to 7-6 in the Wayne-Oakland League, good enough for a third place tie with Clarkson and Milford.

At the end of the first quarter, Hills led by two teams and Tregenza and Bill Pettibone began swinging the nets to give the Barons six quick points and a 29-8 margin at 6:17 of the second period.

WHEN THE buzzer sounded to end the half, Bloomfield Hills held a 26-18 lead.

With the first five starting the second half, when the Barons again pulled away. When the period was over, they led by 14 points, 40-26.

TREZENGA thrilled the local fans with his tennis and breakaway drives, while steady Bruce Billings organized the offense and keyed the defense.

In the last eight minutes, Brighton tried a comeback. The visiting cagers proved themselves tough competitors as the Barons were pressed constantly.

When the referee sounded his whistle to end the game, Hills led by 18 tallies, 56-46. They scored 16 points in the last period, 14 for Brighton.

Tregenza led all scorers with 21 points. Billings had 12 and Pettibone 10. Joe Hill netted 13 for Brighton.

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Khan Proves Squash is a Man's Game

Squash is called the "Gourmet Sport". Squash is related to tennis, in the way of the ball, which sometimes happens, a serious injury occurs.

Now, back to Hashim Khan. He's an ageless wonder. He admits to be 46, but other say he was 40 years ago.

HUNDREDS of thousands play squash racquets in England and Australia. The sport is just being introduced as a popular sport in the country "down under," and it's fast becoming as popular as its cousin, tennis.

Squash racquets is played on a court surrounded by four walls. The players use a racket similar to one used for badminton. The ball is smaller than a baseball and made of hard black rubber.

Play begins when one serves. Then, the object is as in tennis, badminton or handball, get the ball to a position where the opponent cannot return. The ball may be played against all four walls.

IN THE SQUASH world, the British Open is synonymous with "World's Championship". He has won the U.S. Open six times in a professional once, the Scottish championship eight times, British five. The list goes on.

"I start playing when 10 years", the pleasant smiling athlete said in broken English. I come from a family that enjoy sports. I went to Uptown Athletic Club in Detroit now. Hope to stay here.

All family play squash. Brother Azam now world's champion. He in British Open was second. Cousin Rosham, United States champion. Nephew Mohibullah, also champion player.

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Former Seaholm Track Standouts Perform at MSU

Former Seaholm track standouts and 1959 co-captains Bill Alcorn and Bill Green are sophomore members of Michigan State's team.

Alcorn is a highly regarded pole vaulter. Recently he placed fifth in the Michigan State Relays and won against Ohio State and Michigan in the first dual meet.

During his prep career, Alcorn won the Michigan Class A championship in 1958 and 1959. The latter year he cleared a record height of 13.3 feet.

Born in 1935 and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith P. Alcorn of 1891 Oak Street, he has been a member of the YMCA since his childhood.

GREEN is being used in the middle distance events and is also a fixture on the Spartan mile relay team. He placed 10th in the 440-yard run at Ohio State and also took a second in the 600 at Michigan.

IN THE MSU Relays, he ran the state long distance medley relay team that placed fourth. While performing at Seaholm, Green took both the Eastern Michigan League and regional 400 championships.

THE ALL-MALE gallery politely applauded as Khan and Giles stepped onto the court.

In a few relatively soft volleys, the match began. Khan served. The little black ball took a high bounce. Giles waited until it bounced on the floor once and then against the back wall. (Continued)

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Cranes Split In Buffalo

George Blanchard scored 23 points to lead Cranbrook to a 65-50 win over Nichols of Buffalo, N.Y., Friday.

Cranbrook trailed by one point at halftime but forced ahead in the last quarter. Once ahead, they could not be contained while Dave Kessel added 17 points for Cranbrook, netting 7 for the season.

WESTERN Reserve of Cleveland finished second in the Y.M.C.A. basketball first round by defeating First Baptist in the first place playoff game at the school.

In the preliminary contest, Franklin Community Church beat First Methodist, 40-27, to take third place in the final standings.

Later in the month, the Birmingham branch of the YMCA will host the State 'Y' basketball championships.

Falcons Defeated Twice in Week

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Draw First Round Bye in Regional

Birmingham Seaholm drew a first round bye in the regional basketball tournament. All games will be played at Birmingham. In the second round, the Maples are going against the Rocky Mountain State. Ferris State, Lincoln county, which will be played Wednesday. Maples play March 10.