

## Legion Wins, Ties, Loses

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The summer American Legion baseball season is underway in Birmingham.

And the results of the first three games varied from a tie to a resounding defeat to an embarrassing victory.

Birmingham Charles Edwards Post 14 opened with Farmington Post Wednesday, fought to a six-inning tie decision, and agreed to finish the game only with Birmingham at bat first in the seventh.

Friday pitcher Jim Whitney threw a six-hit victory in an abbreviated contest against Royal Oak. His teammates supplied more than

enough firepower as they downed the South Oakland Legionnaires 15-1. The game was shortened because of darkness.

THEM CAME the game Sunday. "It was just plain embarrassing," said Manager Tom Lakos, reflecting on his team's 15-3 thrashing at the hands of Southfield.

"Someone told me we made about 11 errors," related the stunned manager. "It could be, I didn't even check the scorebook on that one."

Despite the convincing defeat in his squads last outing, Lakos looks with optimism to the remaining schedule. Last year American Legion teams had 13 games to reach the playoffs, but a rule change

has increased that number to 15 in 1962.

"THE NEW RULE gives everyone a better chance," Lakos explained, but I think with the right conditions we will make the playoffs.

The "conditions" he refers to are the return of hard-hitting Homer Davidson from Wolverine Boy's State, a cast being removed from the right hand of his ace southpaw hurler Tom Walters, and a consistently tight defense.

Singled out for special praise in the first three games were hitters Chan Simonds, first base, and Dave Kalescy, leftfield.

HE REPORTED with satisfac-

tion catcher Charlie Hatton's "three or four pickoff throws" to second and Mike Davis' glove work at the shortstop post. Davis has also been doubling as pitcher in Walters' absence.

Kalescy's brother, Carl, pitched the Southfield game, and he turned a pretty good job, despite what the score indicates.

That game was tied going into the fifth. A Southfield home run with a man aboard made it 2-0. Birmingham came back with one run, and then came the debacle.

Birmingham Post 14 plays four games this week. Tonight finishing the Farmington contest, Friday against Berkley, Sunday against Troy, and Wednesday against Wall-to-Lake.



THERE ARE a number of ways to block a low throw from the outfield, but using this method is really taking the game serious (note ball hitting chin of second baseman).



SLIDE, boy! Slide! . . . and slide is just what the runner did (see picture across page) when he heard the orders bellowed by Post 14 manager Tom Lakos.

### GAJDA'S 67 QUALIFIES FOR PGA

## Mrs. Hume Coasts To Medal Victory

For the second straight year a Birmingham golfer has won the Women's District Golf Association 54 Hole medal championship.

And this year it was done in almost ridiculous fashion. Marjorie Hume (Mrs. John Hume and the mother of three) finished 15 strokes in front of her nearest competitor at Red Hill Golf Club Tuesday with a 77-80-76—233.

Mrs. Hume was as surprised as anyone else by the resounding victory. "I've never won a tournament by such a margin, the Essex Country Club member exclaimed, "but I have shot as well before."

MRS. HUME piled up most of her margin on the back nine, where she turned in three good rounds while the rest of the tournament seemed to find bogies and double bogies very easy to come by.

"It surprised me that the other golfers had so much trouble on the back nine," she said. "The course got drier as the tournament went on, but this wasn't the reason. I've had to play under a lot worse conditions."

Last year's medal play winner, Mrs. Sally Sharp Werner of Forest Lake Country Club, was unable to defend her title this year. However, she will defend her WDGA Champion Tournament title at Forest Lake in August. Mrs. Hume will also play in that tournament.

MRS. HUME finished her final round of 76 in strong fashion, carding birdies the last two holes. She holed chip shots on No. 17 two of

the three times she played the hole.

Mrs. Robert Gamble, of Loch (See VICTORY, 3-E)



BOB GAJDA



MRS. HUME

## Foley Stable's Gelding Wins Metamora Ribbons

Blue Monday, an eight-year-old gelding owned by Susan and Peter Foley, won the grand hunter championship and the Hendrie Memorial Trophy at the 30th annual Metamora Hunt horse show. He defeated Molly Mason's Alley Oop by seven points in the blue-ribbon competition 24-17.

During the three-day competition the contest soon fell to events, and placed third in two others. Before the grand hunter finale, Blue Monday also was awarded the regular working hunters championship by a 24-13 score over Battle Fashion, owned by Mrs. G. J. Graham of Bloomfield Hills.

ALLISON CRAM, area resident, rode Bold, a six-year-old chestnut mare, to seven blue ribbons in taking the junior working hunter championship and Metamora Trophy.

The green working hunter working championship and the Elliott Nichols Memorial Trophy was won 15-11 over Janet Paly's Something Blue by Molly Mason's Palmiro, from Ann Arbor.

Battle Sun, owned by Mrs. Graham, won the working hunter stake, worth \$400. Bold won the \$150 junior working hunter and Flanagan won the same purse in the junior jumper.

OTHER winners were ASPCA

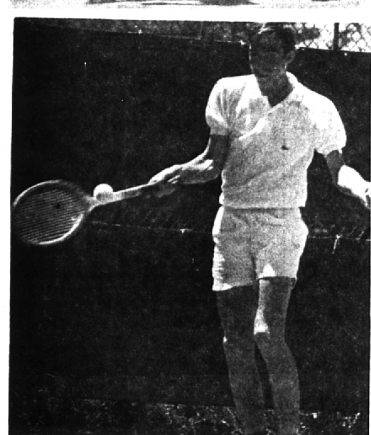
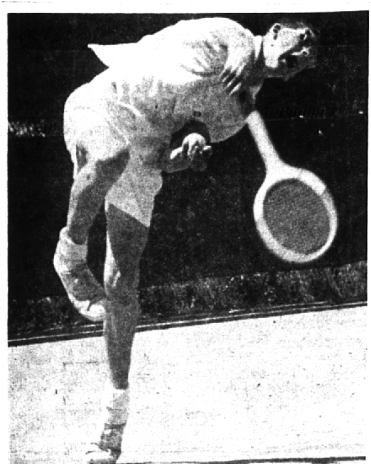
hunting seat, Robert Lambert, Jr.; open equitation, 13 and under, Lynn Maedel; open equitation, 14 through 17, Allison Cram; open equitation, 13 and under over jumps, Molly Mason; open equitation, 14 through 18 over jumps, David McCarthy; Michigan Hunt's Challenge Trophy, Allison Cram (Bold); open green working hunters, (Lawman), owned by Allied Van Lines; green working hunter hack (Master Speck), Mrs. G. Corbin; junior jumpers, owned and ridden by Barbara Robinson; ladies green working hunter (Alley Oop), Molly Mason; working hunter appointments, Susan and Peter Foley; junior handy working hunter (Bold), Allison Cram; ladies working hunter (Kismet).

### Hole-in-One May Win Trip Abroad

A hole-in-one scored by Robert V. Hackett of 610 Wooddale, Bloomfield Township, may earn him a trip to Scotland for two and \$100.

By getting his ace at the Plum Hollow Club, the Birmingham man was entered in the national Old Smuggler Hole-in-One Sweepstakes.

The winner will be announced at the end of the year.



## 67 Round Ties Hogan's Mark

Bob Gajda topped all PGA tournament qualifiers at Oakland Hills Monday with a five under par 77, then added a 72 for a 149.

The morning round tied the course record for the Forest Lakes, set by Ben Hogan in the final round of the 1951 National Open at Oakland. Par was 70 then.

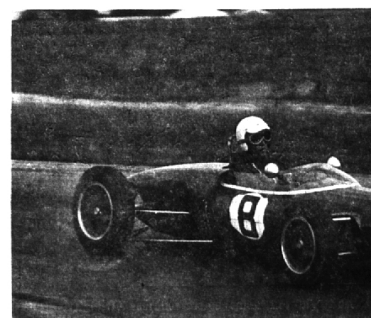
Gajda, 44, just returned from National Open tournament at Oakmont, Pa.

HE FHEED A 33-34 under ideal golfing conditions at Oakland, including six birdies and a bogey 6. Three birdies on the front nine put him three under. He increased this to six with birdies on the 11th, 16th and 17th.

Gajda played under cloudy skies and finally a heavy but brief rain on the last couple of holes. An (See MARK, 3-E)

## Tennis Tournament

The Birmingham Junior Center tennis tournament was held at Oakland Hills C.C. last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Winner of the 16-and-under singles and 18-and-under singles was Greg Stumph (upper picture) of U-D High. In the 16-and-under he defeated Bobby Faught (lower picture) of Brother Rice High, 6-1, 6-1. He whipped D. Andrews in the latter event.



KEN NEILSON scowches the pavement in a practice run while preparing to defend his Waterford 1 1/2 mile sprint course record of 1:23.3. His "Lotus XX" is a sleeve-dov-

## Neilson Defends 1 1/2 Mile Sprint Record

The Oakland County Sportsman's Road Racing Club's next race most of the year is scheduled for June 23 and 24. The races will be run over the mile and a half circuit cut out of the beautiful Waterford Hills in Waterford, Michigan.

Entries for the races are coming in already from Michigan, Ohio and our neighbors to the north, Canada. The first race of the season (May 26-27) outdrew all previous Spring Sprints attendance records.

Ken Neilson of Birmingham, Michigan, course record holder with 1:23.3 will again be going out after another feature and class win.

NEILSON'S Lotus 20 has been a constant challenge to the cars entered at Waterford. Neilson clocked a course record at 1:23.3 and has had only Tom Payne of Ypsilanti, Michigan come close at 1:23.4.

Canadian driver, Francis Brad-

ley, who drives Toronto city buses for a living, also last year established the course record at 1:23.7 but lost it to the speedy Neilson.

Bradley who drove a Lola last year is expected to return to the Waterford course this season.

ALSO expected to be running will be Joe Mulholland's Class A Production, Mike Jacquet's Michigan's Jag thrilled the Spring Sprints crowd with one of the days most exciting Corvette Jaguar duels.

Jerry Thompson's Corvette holds the Class A Production record at 1:28.6 with Mulholland clocking less than a second off that time.

Also expected to enter the June Trophy Races is the well-known Canadian driver Al Pease who will be driving a Lotus 20 and should give Ken some tough competition also.

## B'field Hosts Dressage

One of the most important horse-manship events in the United States for 1962 will be held in conjunction with the Detroit Horse Show in Bloomfield Hills this month. The show runs from June 26 through July 1, and is open to the public every day.

This event is the National Open Dressage Competition for the Colonel Hiram E. Tuttle Challenge Trophy, emblematic of the United States Open Championship in dressage.

The results of the Tuttle Trophy competition may have a marked bearing on the selection of the next Pan American and Olympic Games.

DRESSAGE is an old and firmly established sport in Europe, and the continental competitions attract thousands of spectators who understand the art. In the United States, it is relatively new, but of increasing acceptance each year. With this growth, United States dressage riders are competing more and more successfully with those from abroad. It is possible that the European long-straddle hold on Olympic Gold Medals in dressage will soon be broken.

Sponsored by the United States Equestrian Team, Inc. (N.S.E.T.), the body charged with the responsibility for placing our Pan Ameri-

can and Olympic Horse Teams in competition, the Tuttle Trophy event attracts the United States' finest horses and riders.

THIS YEAR, the event is being held at the metropolitan Detroit area competitors from across the entire nation—from New York State, which claims the defending champion, to the State of California, home of a former champion.

The metropolitan Detroit area itself will be represented in the championships by such nationally prominent horsemen as Mr. Charles D. Grant and Mr. James M. Jones, both of Birmingham; Dr. Helga

Laufenstein of Oxford; and Mr. Serge Beyler of Lake Orion.

A MAJORITY is probably the most beautifully trained horses in the United States will be at the Detroit Horse Show for this event.

Dressage is probably the most difficult of all horsemanship tests, and it may well be the most difficult of all competitive sports. It requires well-disciplined and skilful rider and an equally well trained and capable animal.

The rider's commands to his horse in the dressage ring must be so subtle and fine that the observer is absolutely unaware that a command has been given; but the horse must respond instantly, without hesitation or resistance.

The condition required between horse and rider in dressage has no equal in the entire field of competitive sport.

THE COL. Hiram E. Tuttle Challenge Trophy was donated to the United States Equestrian Team in 1955 by Mr. and Mrs. Irving A. Duffy of Birmingham. Mr. Duffy is Honorary Chairman of the Detroit Horse Show, the father of a former Olympic Games rider, and has for many years been an active supporter of equestrian affairs on national and international levels.

This trophy, a magnificent silver (See DRESSAGE, 3-E)

## S'field Announces 3 Coaching Changes

Robert Noff, graduate of Hillsdale College, will replace Wilbur Stoenke as head basketball coach at Southfield High School. Noff will also assist in football.

Charles Juske, graduate of Central Michigan College, will take over as head track coach, replacing pean's long-straddle hold on Olympic Gold Medals in dressage will soon be broken.

Darrell Harper, a graduate of University of Michigan, will take over as head baseball coach. He will also assist in football and basketball.

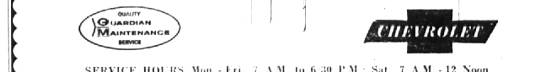


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