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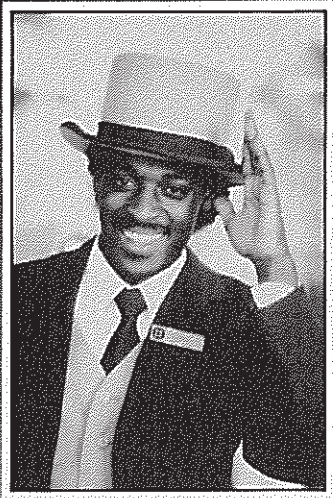


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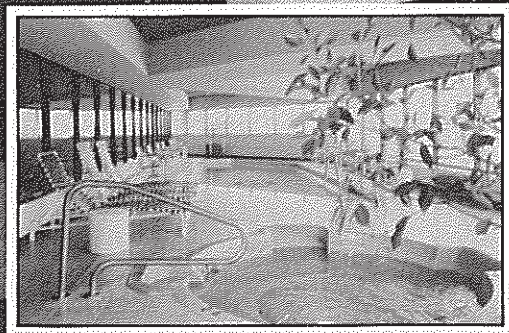
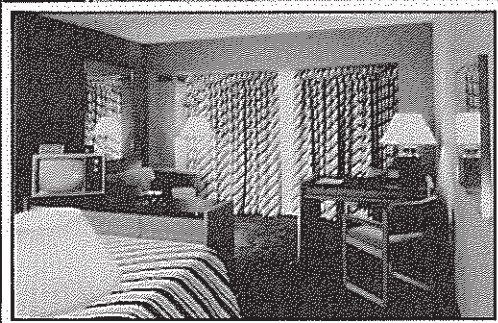
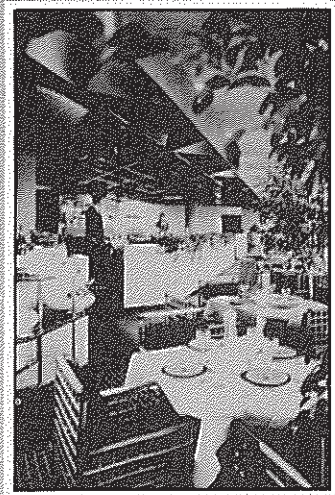
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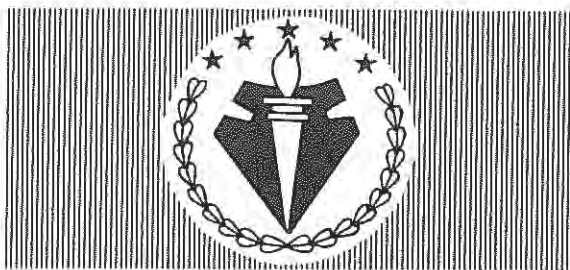
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Welcome to the 10th Anniversary Induction Banquet for the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame.

The Board of Directors invites you to participate tonight as we honor the lives of seven individuals who have shown that they, like this Board, believes in and appreciates the city of Flint and its athletic heritage.

Ten years ago we set out to establish a means by which we could emit a positive force in our community . . . a community that has endowed this city, this state and this country with a virtual cornucopia of fine athletes. From All Americans, to Olympic athletes, from colleges to the professional arena, from the local high school fields to the city's bowling arenas, this Board of Directors has reached out each year to honor the lives of the athletes of this city.

From that first inaugural class of 1980 — Lynn Chandnois, Don Coleman, Jennie Weiss, Paul Krause, Guy V. Houston, Lloyd Brazil, Steve Bysco, Tom Smith and our First Special Service to Sports honorees, C. S. Mott and Frank Manley, the pattern was set. Each year we have committed ourselves to the continuance of this Hall of Fame, intending to make it the finest of its kind in the country.

With that in mind, this year we have established the first Greater Flint Area Hall of Fame Memorial Pin which will be presented tonight to the new inductees, as well to the previous Hall of Famers who have joined us tonight for this special commemoration.

We are delighted to have you with us again this year, at what we proudly call, "A Reunion of Flint's Finest Athletes."

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The Honor Roll Pete Sark and Cathy Snyder

Presentation of the 1989 Inductees

- ★ *Barry Edmonds, represented by his wife Lily
Special Service To Sports Award*
- ★ *Vinnie Frechette*
- ★ *Jack Morse*
- ★ *Ray Seidel*
- ★ *Gene Summers*
- ★ *Bob Suci*
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BARRY EDMONDS . . . on the sidelines at a U of M game, Edmonds shows the kind of rapport he established on the playing field.

Barry Edmonds, for many years the director of photography at the Flint JOURNAL, has been named as this year's recipient of the Hall of Fame's Special Service to Sports Award. Edmonds, who passed away in 1982, is the first photographer to be named to this award.

Initiated in 1980, at the first induction, the award honors the special works of people — generally non-athletes — who by their actions have enriched the lives of the city's athletic community. The first honorees were C. S. Mott and Frank Manley, whose dedication through their work at the Mott Foundation, gave life and breath to the finest athletic programs in the nation.

Last year, Dr. Vincent Murphy, an Osteopathic physician who believed in and delivered countless volunteer hours of medical services to Flint's athletic community was honored. Other awards have gone to bowling entrepreneur Frank Szczepanski, community leader Everett Cummings, another bowler T. J. Halligan, golfer Fred Lawson, school leaders Stan Broome, Nap LaVoie and Bill Minardo and Buick Open's Jerry Rideout.

With the selection of Edmonds, the Board recognizes an artist whose talents with the camera allowed him to freeze a moment in time for all of us. His photos of high school games, particularly the legendary Northern and Central Thanksgiving Day Foot-

ball games, helped to make him a local legend.

In his 27 years at the Journal there was rarely a game or a sports event — from motorcycle races to the Buick Open — where the "Big Redhead" was not on the field, including covering the Detroit Lions for 25 years. With his cameras, he had a talent for capturing the game, the people and the activity surrounding the game that was unique. Several of his photos still hang in the lobby of the Lions Front Office. The Flint Institute of Arts also recognized his talent, conducting several one-man shows to exhibit his works.

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Mike Goggins . . . More Than A Star Athlete

By Len Hoyes

Excellence was the trademark of Mike Goggins' career, not only as an athlete but also as a student.

Besides being a 12-letterman and a four-time all-leaguer at St. Michael High, he was valedictorian and president of his 1948 graduating class.

Besides being a three-seasonal football standout at the University of Detroit, he was the model for the school's first award for combined athletics and scholarship.

Sports helped a career choice for the 59-year-old bachelor dentist.

"I considered engineering or dentistry and I decided to go to Detroit. I noticed dentists usually drove big cars, so that was my decision," he said with a laugh.

Goggins was virtually predestined to attend UD because his father, Joe, was a friend of Flint's Lloyd Brazil, who was its athletic director.

Brazil is a charter member of the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame, a group which Goggins will join.

"I had offers from Michigan State and Notre Dame. But I figured I could play more at U. of D.," Goggins said.

He earned an academic scholarship.

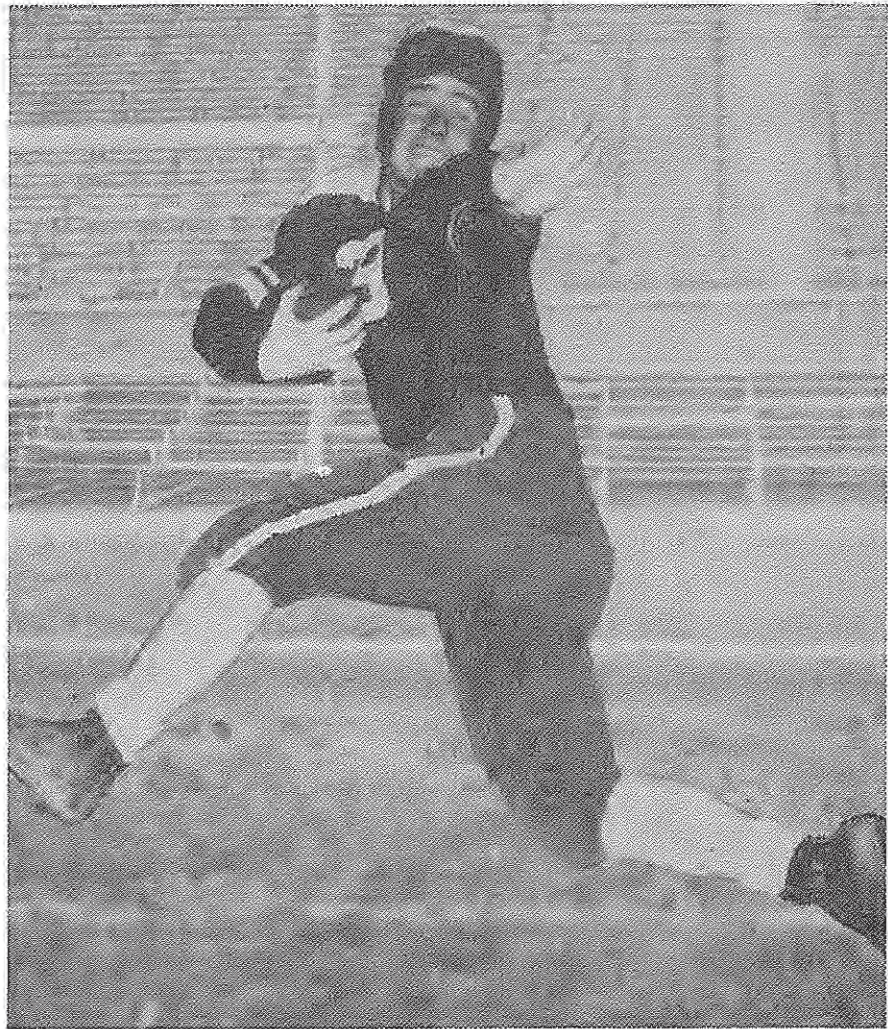
At the end of his career, he was selected to receive UD's first sportsmanship award.

The citation was given "Because he has exemplified the spirit of the university by reasons of the excellence of his character and scholarship, his leadership to teammates and his wholehearted endeavor and honesty in play exhibited on the field."

Those were the opinions of the Very Rev. Celestin J. Steiner, president of the university.

"I had a couple good years," Goggins said, "but most of the older guys were gone by 1951. All we had was a bunch of kids."

Goggins could play fullback or halfback depending on the situation and the injured list. He also played some defense.



MIKE GOGGINS . . . a sophomore sensation at the University of Detroit is still considered one of the greatest athletes in the history of Flint's old Parochial League.

His final season was highlighted by UD's game against Notre Dame. The Irish, playing their first night game, lured 52,231 to Briggs Stadium to view a 40-6 Notre Dame victory. That was the largest football crowd in Detroit until the Detroit Lions moved there.

Goggins was twice elected cocaptain, the first Flint product to lead the Titans since Brazil in 1929.

He chose uniform No. 14 because "that's the number Lynn Chandnois wore and he was an all-American from Flint."

Goggins was named to the Catholic All-American team.

Freshmen were ineligible but he ran for 100 yards on eight carries against Tulsa in his sophomore debut. He was the first soph to break into the lineup among a bevy of veterans who returned after World War II.

He gained 258 yards as a sophomore and 437 in 85 carries, a 5.2 average, as a junior when he led the team in scoring with eight touchdowns and helped win the Missouri Valley Conference championship.

He scored two touchdowns in an important 20-13 victory over Oklahoma A&M.

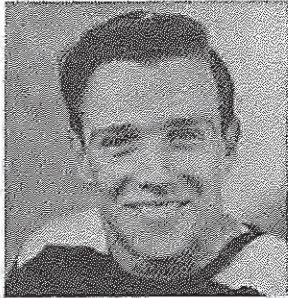
"We were one of the first to use the option offense so we needed a lot of running backs. No one carried the ball a lot," he said.

All three years he was sidelined for at least two games because of injuries.

"I thought I was big enough to run over people," the 5-foot-8, 190-pounder said.

His value was indicated in a 1950 article in *The Journal* which quoted Bob Ivory, UD line coach.

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Jack Morse . . .

Championship Scorer

By Len Hoyes

Jack Morse attained a basketball peak through unorthodox routes.

While most of his peers gained experience in high school competition, he sharpened his eye at the YMCA and in Flint's church and amateur leagues. While most peers were shooting two-handed and tossing hooks, he developed an uncanny one-handed push shot which turned him into a superstar.

The 71-year-old Clio resident became well-known throughout Michigan in a career which spanned 1937-1950. He turned down a college scholarship and an offer to turn professional.

Instead, he had a 42-year career at Bell Telephone, 21 years as an hourly worker and 21 years in management.

Although known as Jack during his basketball career, he actually is Jacob Judson Morse, named for two grandfathers.

He said, "People who remember me from Bell probably don't realize I was the Jack Morse from basketball. I went by Jacob or Jake at Bell because that's the way I signed my timecard."

But his signature is indelibly written into Flint's athletic history as Jack.

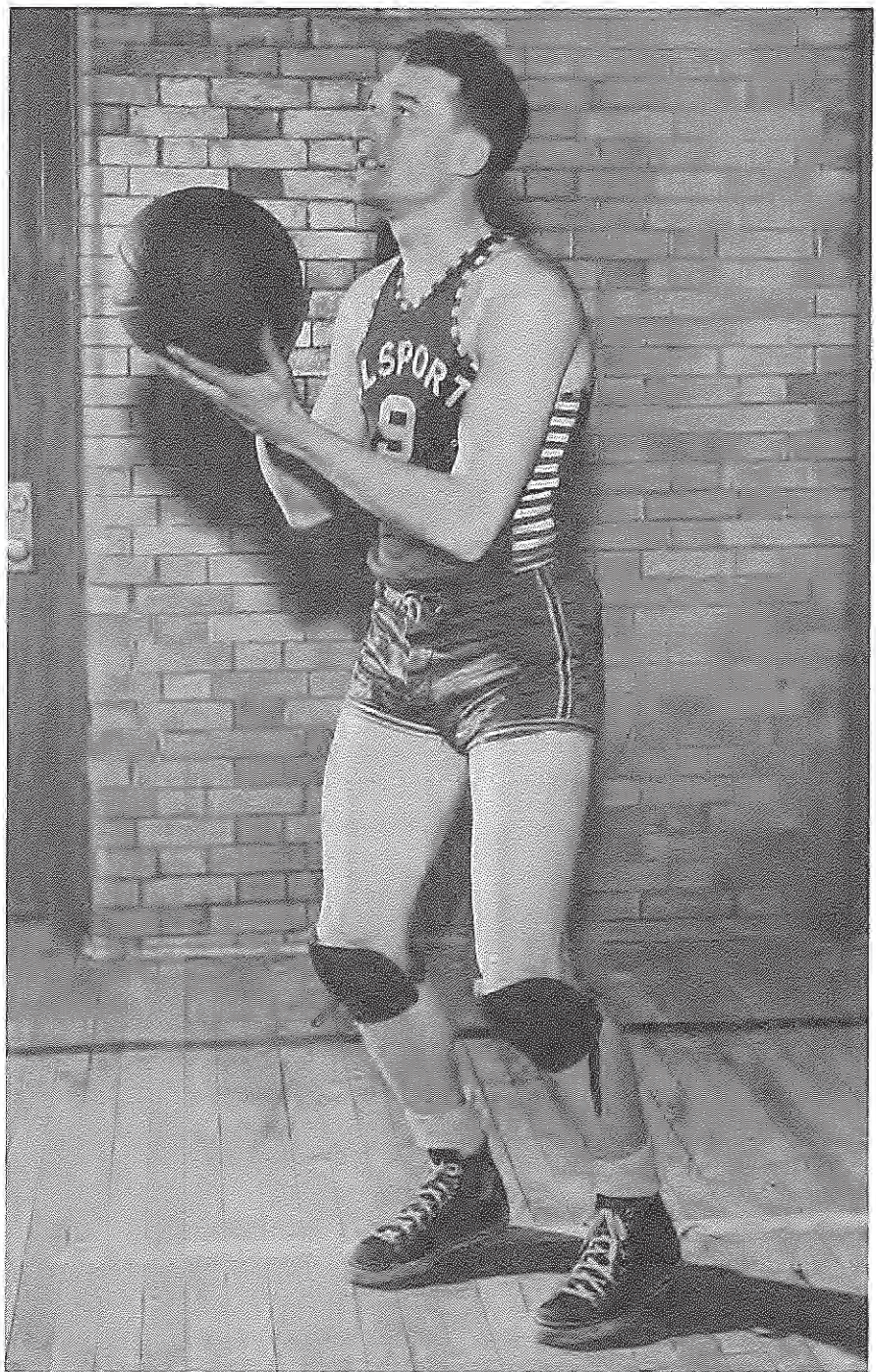
He was the second oldest of 14 children, a situation which played a significant role in basketball.

He said, "These were Depression years and I was expected to contribute to the family income. I couldn't play at Central because I had a part-time job at The Journal. I ran the elevator from 1 p.m. until 6 and on Saturdays."

However, nights were free so he played basketball at the YMCA.

He was invited to play in the City Basketball League as a high school senior, a good indication of ability. He's one of the few to win the scoring championships in Class A, Class AA and Class AAA.

A 1946 article in The Journal said, "There are many basketball fans in Flint who declare loudly that Jack Morse is the city's best player. After a 23-point contribution to White Seal's



JACK MORSE . . . ahead of his time, the hot shooting Morse is said to have "invented the one-handed push shot", also known as his jump shot.

victory in the Auto City Invitational, the Morse backers are more numerous than ever."

His favorite shot was a one-handed push which turned into a jumper.

As one old-timer remembers, "Everyone laughed when they saw him shoot for the first time. But they didn't laugh long because the ball usually ended up in the basket."

Morse claims he developed the shot because of necessity.

"I couldn't make free throws," he said, "So I started one-handing them. I made 35 of 37 in one stretch so I decided to stay with it.

"Besides, it's an easier shot to get away. When you play against guys like Ron Mueller, Dodson Truss and Big Ed Novak, you needed every possible advantage.

His unorthodox shot sometimes got

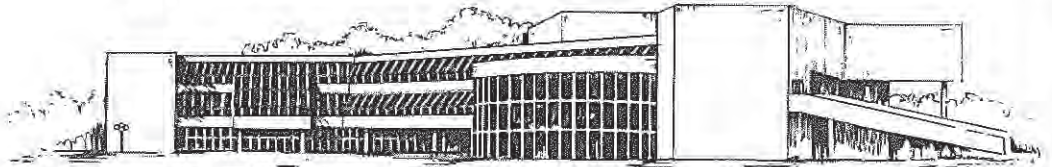
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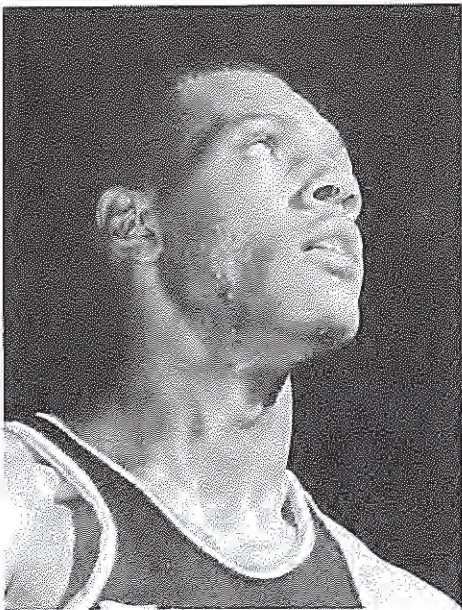
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Gene Summers . . .

True Basketball Artist

By Dean Howe

Gene Summers had the hands of a Michelangelo, strong and firm but soft enough to delicately stroke a painter's brush.

Summers did his best work in the paint, underneath basketball backboards in Flint and Marquette.

He was a basketball over-achiever. At slightly more than 6-foot-4 and 210 pounds, Summers played center.

And while not as tall or as big as some of his adversaries, Summers always had those big, strong hands to hoist like gauntlets when he charged into the battle.

"Gene was so very strong," said Stan Albeck, now head coach at Bradley University and Summers' college coach at Northern Michigan University in 1965 and '66. "He could hold the ball out in front of him in his hands and you could double up your fist and try to punch it out of there. No one could.

Summers came to snowy Marquette in the fall of 1965 after a stand-out two-year career at Mott Community College, then Flint Junior College.

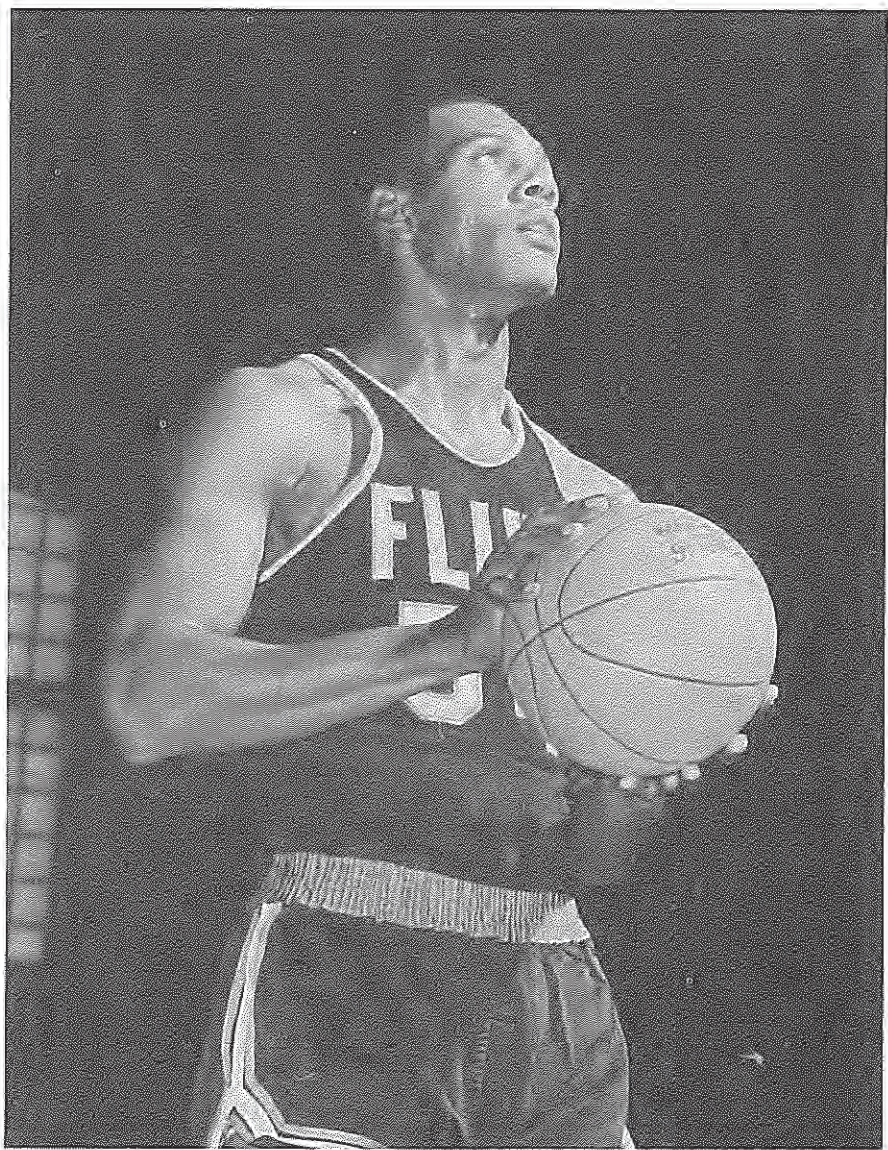
He had established all sorts of records at Flint JC, averaging 32.2 points during his freshman season and scoring 660 points during a 24-game campaign in 1964.

But it was at NMU where Summers achieved his greatest feats as a basketball player.

"Gene had high expectations when he came to Northern and everybody expected a lot from him," said Albeck. "Well, he went to a higher level than anyone expected."

These are some of the things Summers accomplished during his two-year career at Northern Michigan:

- Summers scored 50 points in a game against Michigan Tech.
- During his senior year, he averaged an amazing 30 points and 14 rebounds per game.
- In a game against the University of Oklahoma, Summers scored 29 points to lead the underdog Wildcats



GENE SUMMERS . . . went from the hardwoods at Northern to Mott and on to a record performance at Northern Michigan with his All Star shooting.

to an upset victory.

• He was named NMU's most valuable player two seasons in a row.

A modest man at age 49 today, Summers said, "Playing college ball remains my greatest thrill."

Thanks to some help from the Mott Foundation (Pat and Frank Manley), the former Northern High star was steered to the Upper Peninsula college after his tour at Flint JC.

He had performed admirably for Bill Blamer at Flint JC and helped the Bears become a national junior college power in two seasons.

While at Northern High, Summers capped his varsity career by scoring 205 points and being named to the All-Saginaw Valley Conference team in his senior season.

M. Joe Roberson, now director of development at the University of

Michigan in Ann Arbor, remembers Summers' prowess on the basketball court.

Particularly his ability to grab and hold on to the basketball.

"Gene was the toughest guy I ever had to go up against in practice at JC," said Roberson. "He was the strongest guy I'd ever played against. He'd go up for a shot, I'd get my hands on the ball and try to block it and he would just follow through with the shot. Amazing."

Summers' exploits didn't go unnoticed by the National Basketball Association either.

He was drafted by the Chicago Bulls in the spring of 1966, the first Flint player to be selected in a college draft by the NBA. He made it through

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Ray Seidel . . .

Sports Big Part of Life

By Len Hoyes

Ray Seidel always had options.

When an arm injury aborted a promising baseball career as a pitcher, he switched to softball.

When hard floors took their toll on basketball legs, he concentrated on bowling and participated in Flint's best leagues for 30 years.

Even at age 66 he bowls once per week in the Vince Seidel Classic, a league named for a brother who is in Flint's Bowling Hall of Fame.

"Sports has been an important part of my life and I'll participate as long as I'm physically able," said Seidel, a 1941 graduate of St. Michael where he starred in baseball and basketball for three years.

He probably would have been a football star, too, but that was forbidden because an older brother suffered a broken collarbone on Flint's sandlots.

"Those were the days before Blue Cross, and money for doctor bills was scarce in a family of eight kids," he said. "My parents said no football so we sneaked out to play on the sandlots. That was more dangerous than high school."

The Seidels lived at 810 Tilden. Later, Ray would marry a neighbor. He and wife Shirley have a daughter, Julie, and there are five stepchildren, Linda, Karen, Sandy, William and Jim.

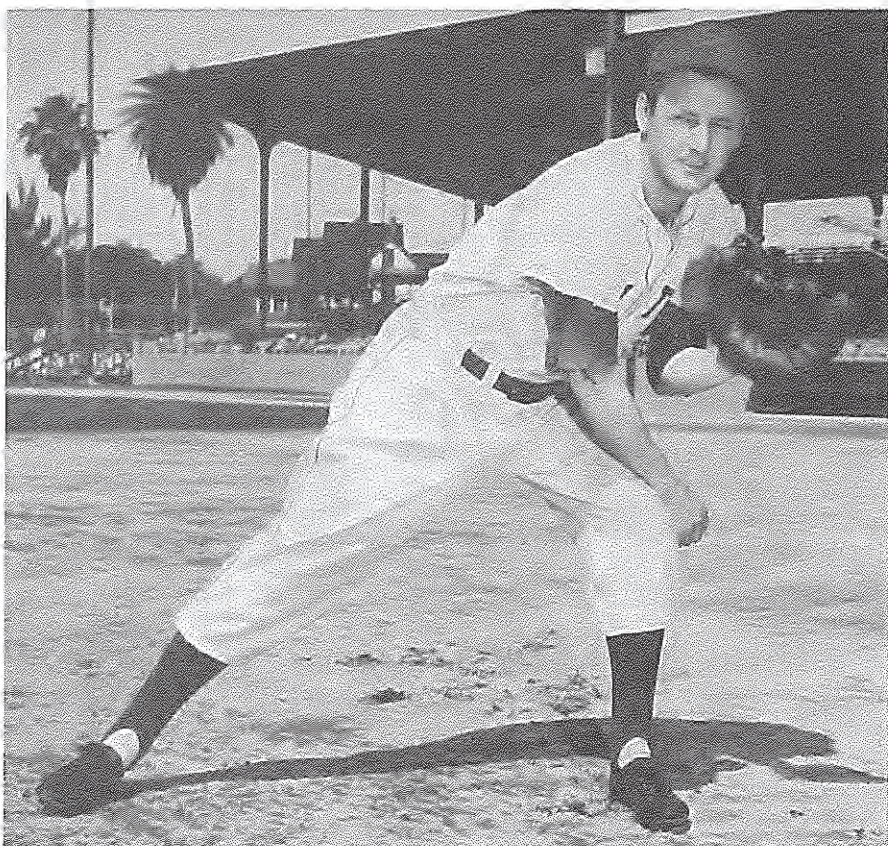
The lure of sports led to a career choice.

As a ninth-grader, he attended Orchard Lake St. Mary with an eye toward becoming a priest. The move lasted one year.

"I usually came home for weekends and there always was a game on Sunday afternoons," Seidel said. "But I had to go back to school. So I came home after one year."

As an afterthought, he said, laughing, "Besides, who ever heard of a Polish Pope?"

Instead, he spent 31 years with the United States Postal Service, retiring in 1984 after traversing the same route for 28 years in the St. Joseph Hospital area.



RAY SEIDEL . . . when a promising pitching career in the majors was ended by an injury, Ray Seidel turned toward the city's bowling lanes.

Always there was sports.

Tom Smith, the legendary St. Michael coach, remembers Seidel as a "terrific pitcher and a good hitter." He struck out 17 while pitching a 2-0 shutout in the Saginaw Valley Parochial League's title game in 1941.

He was named to the SVPL's all-Southern Division's basketball team and captained the 1941 league champs. He earned the Mikes' championship with a field goal in the final 20 seconds of the deciding game against St. Mary.

Basketball prowess earned scholarship offers from the University of Detroit, once before World War II and again after the war.

But five years away from school and time in the service, including 154 consecutive days of combat with an artillery unit in Europe, made him wary.

Besides, there was chance to play professional baseball.

He had caught the scouts' eyes during the summer when he played in the City Baseball League with Samoa and Cozy Corner, two of the best teams.

A 1945 article in The Journal called

him "pinch-hitter of the year." During a 25-day furlough, he won six of East Side Merchants' 12 straight victories, pitching 41 2/3 innings and striking out 40. And he batted .400.

He signed in 1946 with the Atlanta Crackers of the Southern Association, a team headed by Kiki Cuyler, a baseball Hall of Famer from Harrisville, Mich., who also played in Flint.

The contract was worth \$450 per month with an additional \$3 for meal money on the road.

Over the next five years, he played in Charleston, S.C., Burlington, N.C., Waycross, Ga., and St. Petersburg and Pensacola in Florida.

In 1947, he had a 13-9 record for Waycross, merely an appetizer for 1948.

He posted a 27-7 record, winning eight games more than any other pitcher, with a 3.54 earned run average and a no-hitter. He hurled 282 innings and 22 complete games while appearing in 45 games as a pitcher and 55 of his team's 140 total games.

"You were expected to start and

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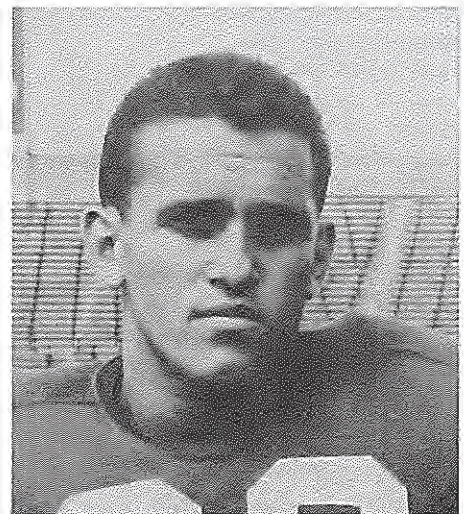


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Bob Suci . . . Scoring Machine

By Phil Pierson

The numbers still leap out, demanding remembrance.

In three seasons of football at Grand Blanc High, Bob Suci scored 45 touchdowns and rushed for 3,716 yards.

In his senior season (1957) alone, despite being limited in the first two games because of illness, Suci rushed for 1,333 yards and scored 19 touchdowns.

Add 370 yards on punt and kickoff returns and Suci's log for his final season climbs to 1,703 yards in little more than seven games.

Suci averaged an incredible 53 yards per carry in one game against Kearsley.

He gained a whopping 265 yards on only five carries and scored four touchdowns. Suci's TD runs covered 16, 46, 90 and 53 yards. His other run in that game netted "only" 60 yards.

At the time, Suci was recognized as one of the premier players ever in the Flint area. Suci gains permanent acknowledgement for his accomplishments as he is inducted into the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame.

It is the ultimate tribute to an athlete whose versatility carried him to 15 of a possible 16 varsity letters in his high school career, three years of stardom at Michigan State and two championship seasons in professional football.

"It's a great honor," Suci said. "It's something you don't plan on working on, given by people in the field who feel you belong."

After setting the County Class B League scoring record in football, Suci also set the record in basketball with a 10-game league average of 28.7 points. It was the first time an athlete had broken the scoring records in both sports.

Suci took his skills to East Lansing where he was a three-year football regular for MSU Coach Duffy Daugherty.

A defensive halfback, Suci played during a golden era for the Spartans. During his career, MSU never lost to either of its two major rivals, Michigan and Notre Dame.



BOB SUCI . . . the first Grand Blanc player to be inducted into the Flint Hall of Fame. Went on to star at MSU on both offense and defense and as a punter. He could do it all — a complete football player.

One of his best moments for the Green and White came in 1959 against Michigan when he returned an intercepted pass 93 yards for a touchdown.

Suci played two seasons in the American Football League, one each with the Houston Oilers and Boston Patriots. Both won the AFL championship with Suci in the lineup.

Always a big-play threat, the 5-foot-9, 175-pound Suci had one of his biggest games for Boston against his former Houston teammates in 1963.

Cut by Houston shortly before the season started, Suci was signed by

Boston and was switched from safety to cornerback for the Patriots' game against the Oilers.

Suci responded to his first start at the new position by intercepting two passes, returning one 98 yards for a touchdown. Including the returns of three punts and a kickoff, Suci accounted for 172 yards to lead a 43-3 romp over his former teammates.

Playing professional football was a lifetime dream and Suci remains happy to have had the opportunity despite its brevity.

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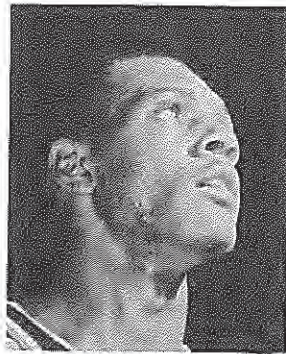


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Vinnie Frechette. . .

Premier Athlete

By Phil Pierson

Fritz McMillan still remembers standing on the third green at Mott Park Golf Course hearing someone shout "Fore!"

Turning toward the tee, nearly 300 yards to the east, McMillan watched a ball, hit directly on line, knife through a tree, bounce onto the green and roll into the cup.

Vinnie Frechette had just aced the 284-yard, par-4 hole.

The historic feat, on July 20, 1938, wasn't the first time anyone had driven the green, but it was the first time the hole was aced.

McMillan doubts anyone could duplicate Frechette's accomplishment today.

"In those days the fairways were rock hard and you could get 40 or 50 yards of roll," said McMillan, noting that watering systems have made courses play longer.

But McMillan also pointed out the golf balls used 50 years ago were sponges compared to today's lively models.

"In those days if you hit a drive 300 yards it was a terrific hit," McMillan said. "The difference in golf balls then and now is the same as the difference in bowling balls. The kind of hook you could throw with the old black rubber ball was nothing compared to what you can do today."

Which makes you wonder what Frechette, a versatile and gifted athlete, would do with the modern bowling conditions.

His numbers from the "old days" remain significant.

A 300 game, 20 series of at least 700 and a city tournament doubles championship were credentials that helped Frechette gain admission into the Flint Bowling Hall of Fame in 1972. Two of those 700s came in succession when Frechette was 57.

Frechette was a fierce competitor, always seeming to be at his best in the big moments, particularly on the golf course or bowling lanes.

His many accomplishments in both activities have earned him induction



VINNIE FRECHETTE . . . an all around athlete and top bowler for 45 years, was also one of the city's best golfers, winning club championships on six different courses.

into the Greater Flint Area Sports Hall of Fame.

Elwyn Frechette, one of Vinnie's five brothers in a family of 10 children, will accept the award. Vinnie was 65 when he died on a golf course in January 1974.

"I'm just tickled they got around to it (inducting his brother), I'm looking forward to it," Elwyn Frechette said.

Elwyn, who frequently was Vinnie's golf caddie, knew his brother's competitiveness better than most.

"He just didn't want to lose, that was his biggest asset," Elwyn said. "He didn't look like that much of an athlete."

The hole-in-one on the par-4 at Mott Park was part of a triple perfecto that gained Frechette recognition in Ripley's "Believe It or Not."

The third leg, in addition to the 300 game in bowling, was pitching a perfect game in softball.

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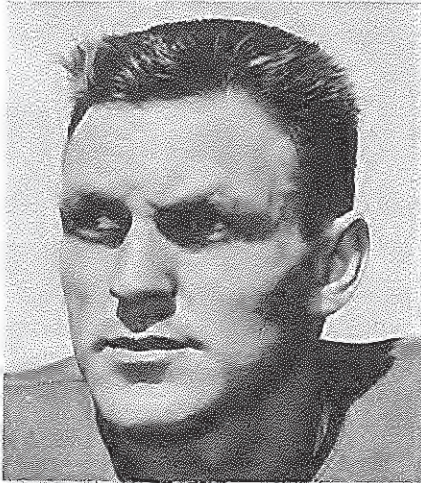
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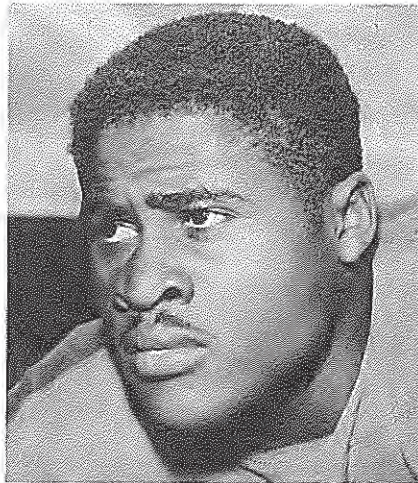
RECIPIENTS TO FLINT AREA SPORTS HALL OF FAME



1980

LYNN CHANDNOIS

All City, All Saginaw Valley Conference, All State, All American, All Pro. Chandnois established Michigan State University football records, offense and defense, which showed the test of time. He was named the NFL Player of the Year in 1952. For 24 years he held the NCAA record for yards returned with pass interceptions. Twice he led the NFL in kickoff returns. Chad was elected to serve on this year's Board of Directors.



1980

DON COLEMAN

Considered by many to be the greatest player in Michigan State University history, tackle Coleman was a unanimous All American. He also was elected to the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame in 1975. All City, All Saginaw Valley, All State, Coleman was especially honored when his Michigan State University football jersey No. 78 was retired in 1951, the first in Spartan history. Now Dr. Coleman, Don serves on the faculty at M.S.U.



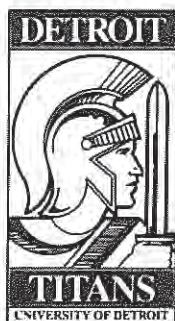
1980

JENNIE WEISS

One of the outstanding golfers in Michigan history Janet (Jennie) Barclay Weiss won the Women's State Amateur Championship a record five times; 1936, 1939, 1940, 1941, and 1957. She recorded a record 40 match-play victories along the way. Mrs. Weiss won several other titles on the way to induction to the Michigan Amateur Sports Hall of Fame, October 21, 1980, prior to becoming a charter member of the Greater Flint Sports Hall of Fame, December 6, 1980.

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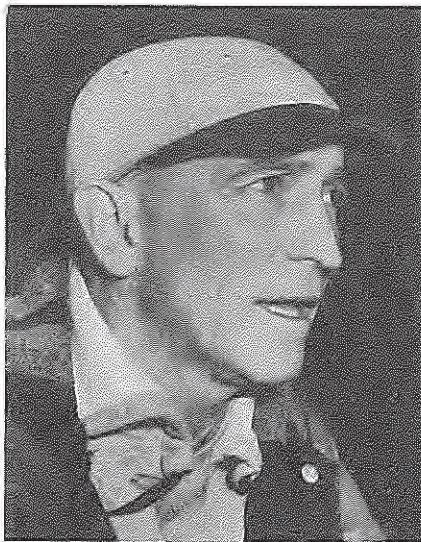
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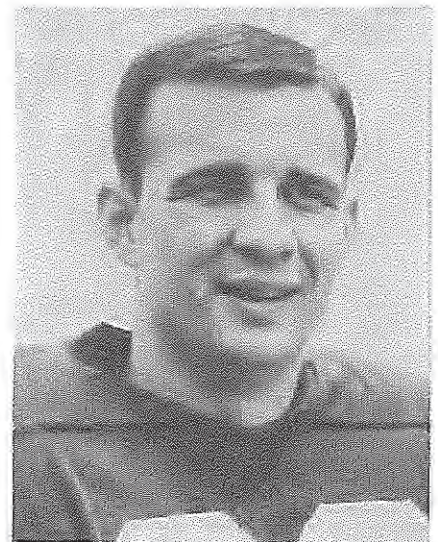
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1980
GUY HOUSTON

Noted for his work in race relations while coach and principal at Northern High, Houston was the first high school coach to be inducted into the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame. His 148-41-13 record as football coach included 12 Saginaw Valley Conference championships in 24 years. His teams also won state titles and under his direction Northern became known as the "School of Champions."



1980
PAUL KRAUSE

A 14-letter winner at Bendle High, Krause went on to Big Ten Conference fame in football and baseball at Iowa. He then competed 16 years in the National Football League, being Rookie of the Year with the Washington Redskins and then playing in four Super Bowls with the Minnesota Vikings. He set the NFL record for interceptions with 81, before retiring in 1980.

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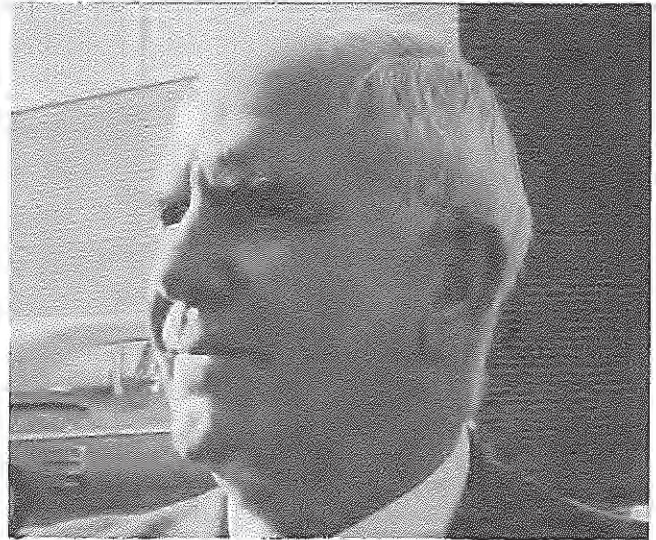
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1980

CHARLES STEWART MOTT

Thousands of boys and girls in the Flint area were introduced to athletics through the generosity of the Mott Foundation. The Foundation generally was started just for that purpose, eventually growing into adult programs, too. Mott's interest first, and the Foundation later, established a community format copied nationwide. It was reward enough for Mott's love of children and sports.



1980

FRANK MANLEY, SR.

A result of his intense interest in Flint area youth, Manley inspired C.S. Mott to finance a pilot program in sports and recreation. As a result, the Mott Foundation was created and the community school philosophy adopted. The combination of Manley's enthusiasm and Mott's support provided a base of opportunity for all children and adults, a format copied nationwide.

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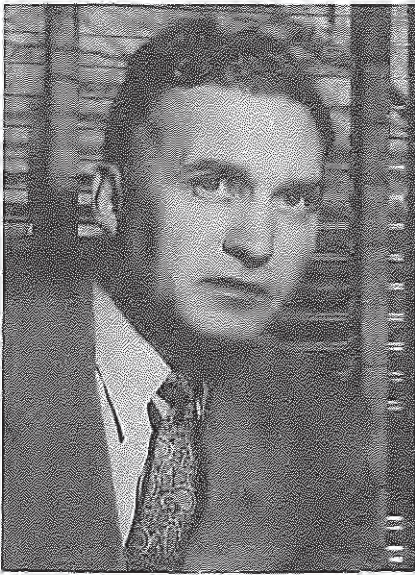
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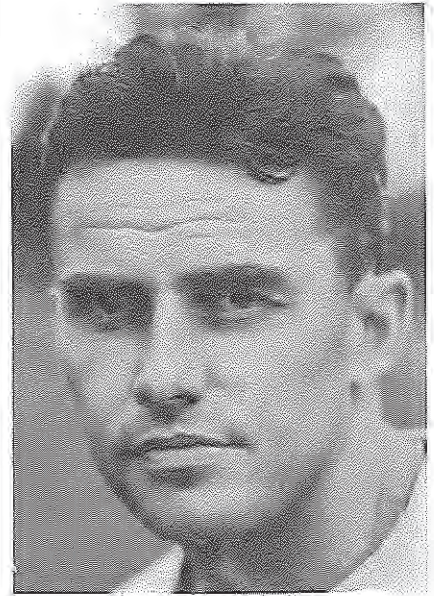
**1980
LLOYD BRAZIL**

A Flint High School star, leading the way to two state football titles, Brazil later was considered with George Gipp and Jim Thorpe as one of the best college players in the country. Flint's first All-American while at the University of Detroit, Brazil ran and passed for 5,861 yards, a national record. He played all sports and coached many with highly successful results.



**1980
STEVE BYSCO**

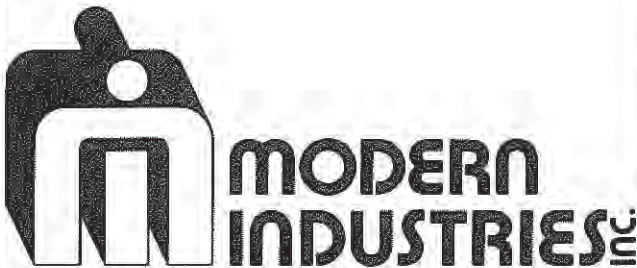
Considered a natural athlete, Bysco excelled in basketball, baseball, and bowling. He was a semi-pro center in basketball, a minor league baseball pitcher, a manager and coach. His 300 game in the City Bowling Tournament was the first in history. His 787 actual, also in the City Tournament at a different time, paced a 1,378 doubles. Bysco also wrestled and boxed.



**1980
TOM SMITH**

Considered the area's Mr. Nice Guy, Smith influenced the lives of thousands with the philosophy of discipline, understanding and leadership by example. His St. Michael High teams won 112 football games, 245 in baseball and 161 in basketball. A star high school and college athlete before coming to Flint in 1929, Smith also competed in area semi-pro leagues.

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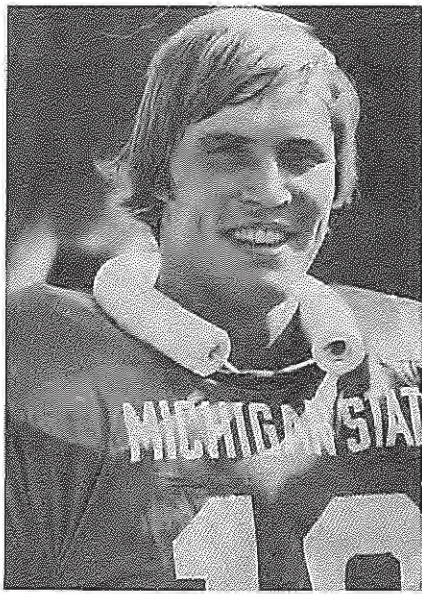
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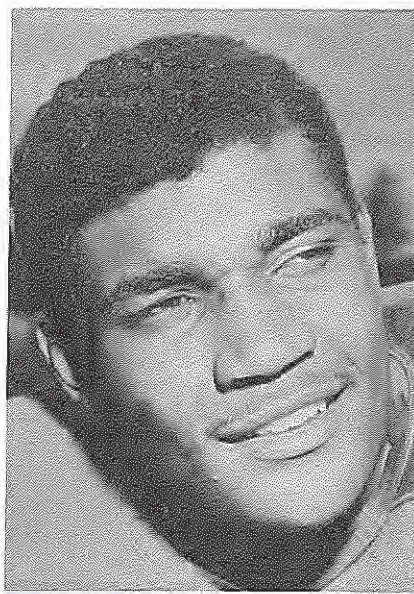
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1981
BRAD VAN PELT

A three-sport star at Owosso High and Michigan State University, Van Pelt was a two-time All American safety for the Spartans, winning the coveted Maxwell Trophy in his senior year. He later excelled as an All Pro linebacker with the New York Giants in the National Football League.



1981
CLARENCE PEAKS

A standout quarterback at Central High, Peaks went on to become an All American halfback at Michigan State in the 1950's, and later, a star fullback with the Philadelphia Eagles and Pittsburgh Steelers in the National Football League.

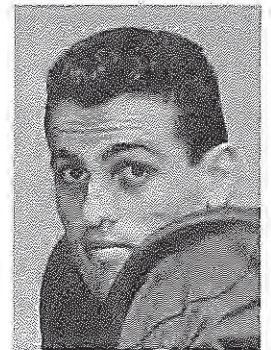


1981
ROGER BERNARD

Called "The Uncrowned Champion of the Featherweights," Bernard was a standout professional boxer from 1923 to 1937, compiling a record of 307 victories, only 25 defeats. He was one of only two men to defeat Welterweight Champion, Barney Ross.



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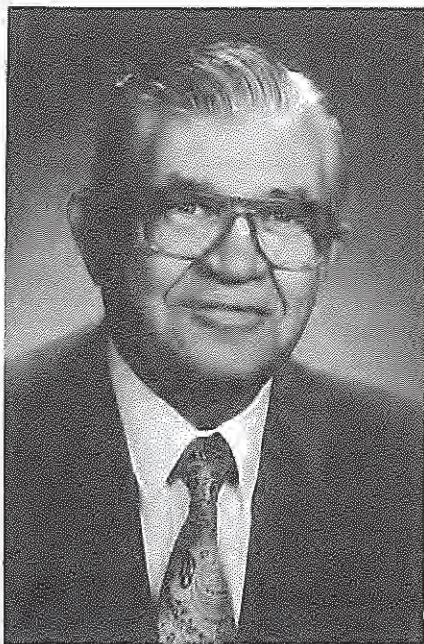


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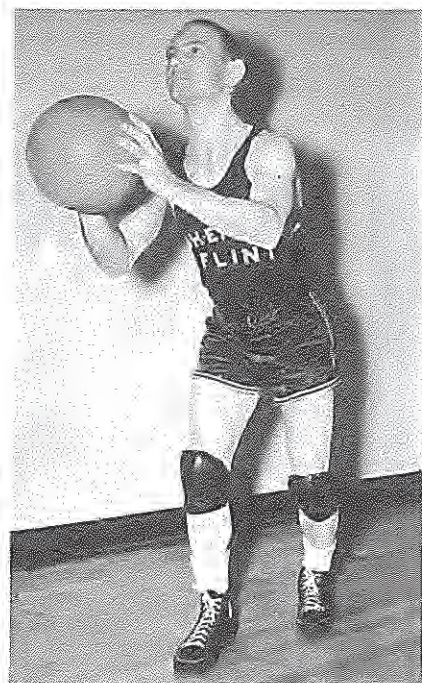
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Only 5 feet 7, 145 pounds, Lipski was called by some the greatest all-around athlete in Flint history. He excelled in basketball, bowling and played semi-pro baseball in the early 1930's.



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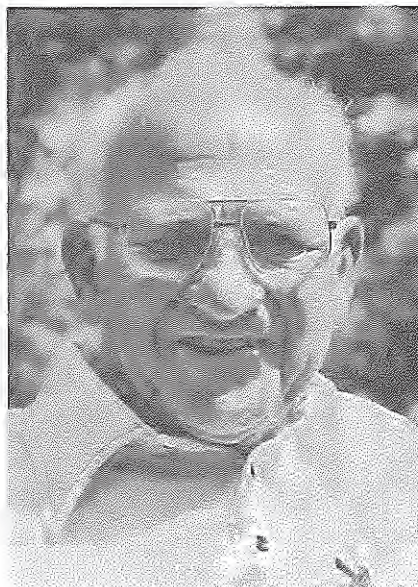
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1981

MERV RETTENMUND

A three-sport star at Southwestern High, Rettenmund excelled in football and baseball at Ball State University. He played 13 years in the major league of baseball with the Baltimore Orioles, Cincinnati Reds, San Diego Padres, California Angels, and competed in four World Series.



1981

DOUG BLOM

The greatest amateur golfer in Flint area history, Blom won 19 City Amateur Championships and more than 50 titles over a 25 year span. He also played in the National Amateur and U.S. Open Tournaments.

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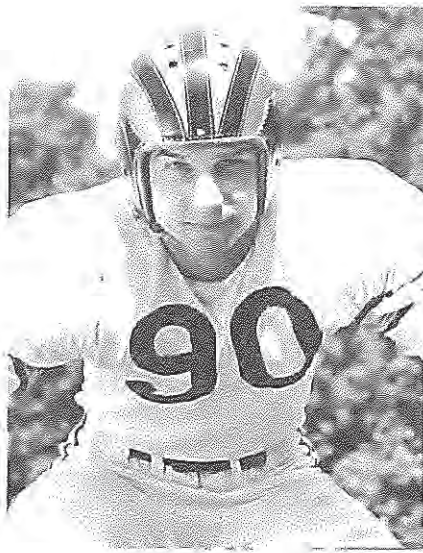
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SUE NOVARA-REBER

This former Northwestern High student twice captured the world sprint cycling championships and was once the American record holder in the 200 meters. She won seven United States cycling titles. She has been an outstanding speed skater, winning state and Midwest Outdoor crowns.



1982

LEO SUGAR

A three-sport star at Northern High in the late 1940s, Sugar went on to become an all-Big Ten Conference defensive lineman at Purdue. He was a standout in the National Football League with the St. Louis Cardinals, ending his career with the Detroit Lions. He once played in 99 consecutive NFL games.



**Special Service Award
1982**

EVERETT A. CUMMINGS

He spent a lifetime of service to the community and was a most effective leader in the sports and recreation fields. The former vice-president of Citizens Bank, Cummings was one person responsible for the installation of AstroTurf at Atwood Stadium, the building of Houston Stadium and the construction of Broome and Whaley Parks.

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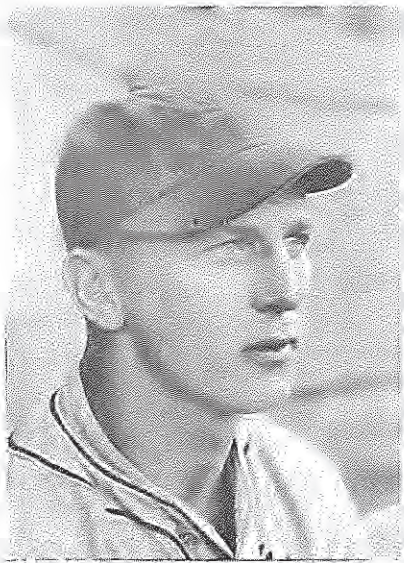


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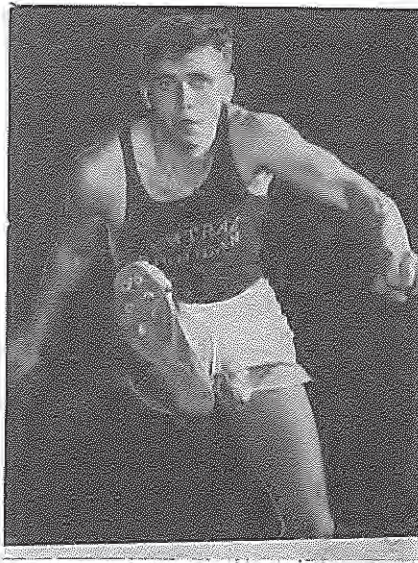


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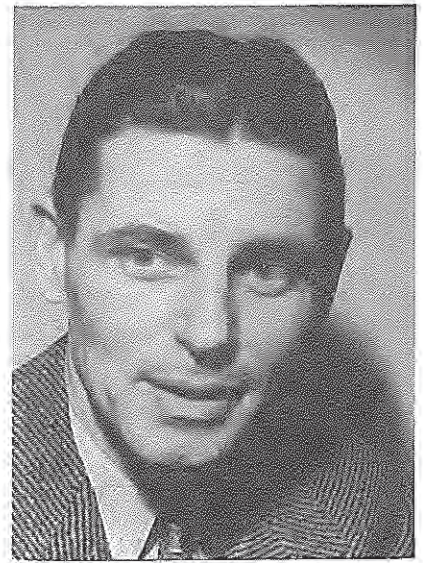
**1982
FRED TROSKO**

A nine-letter winner at Northern High, this stringy 135-pound halfback went on to an outstanding career at the University of Michigan where he played in the same backfield with UM's Heisman Trophy winner Tom Harmon. Later, Trosko became a successful football coach at Owosso High and Eastern Michigan University (then Michigan Normal College).



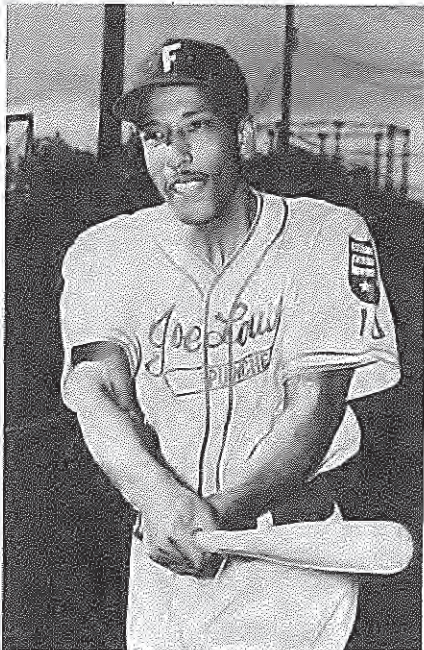
**1982
JIM PODOLEY**

Considered one of the greatest all-around athletes in Flint area history, this Mt. Morris native excelled as a football and track star at Central Michigan University. He scored a school record 51 touchdowns and gained 4,481 in total yardage and was a national track champion. Podoley later became a star in the National Football League with the Washington Redskins and New York Giants.



**1982
JIM BARCLAY**

As Northern High's first basketball coach, Barclay's teams went on to win a record four State Class A championships. His teams also won nine city championships and six Saginaw Valley Conference titles. His 1939-40 state championship team was nicknamed "The Wonder Boys" and is considered one of the finest teams in Flint history.



**1982
FLOYD BATES**

A three-sport star — football, basketball and track — at Central High, Bates is also a member of the Michigan Softball Hall of Fame. He once held the state record in the high jump. He played with Flint's famed Joe Louis Puncher's softball team and the Harlem Globetrotters' basketball team.

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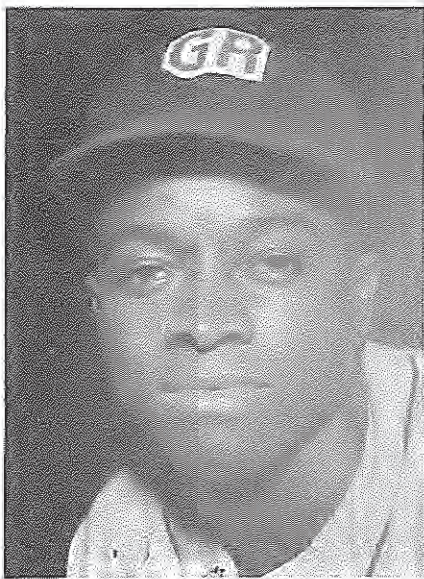
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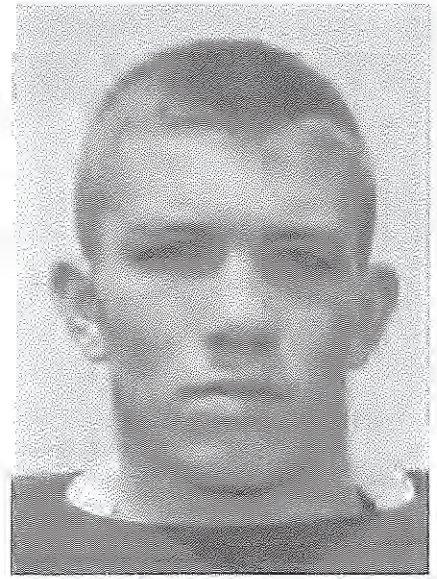
1983
DAVE HOSKINS

The first black athlete to compete in the Central and Texas Leagues of professional baseball, Hoskins went on to pitch for the Cleveland Indians in the American League. He was one of the greatest players ever in Flint's amateur city league, as a pitcher, hitter and outfielder in the 1940's.



1983
**HAROLD "TUBBY"
RAYMOND**

The former Northern High athlete became one of college football's greatest coaches at the University of Delaware for 18 years. In that span, his teams won three NCAA Division II championships and more than 150 games.



1983
BOB ROWE

Flushing's Rowe distinguished himself as the Mid-American Conference lineman of the year at Western Michigan University, leading the Broncos to the 1966 MAC title. He later became an All-Pro defensive tackle with the St. Louis Cardinals of the National Football League.

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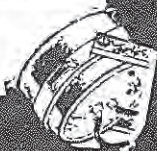


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PAM STOCKTON
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The teen whiz of the badminton court, she claimed 24 national junior championships before winning or sharing in 16 national titles as an adult. The highlight of her career was winning the South African national championship at age 18.



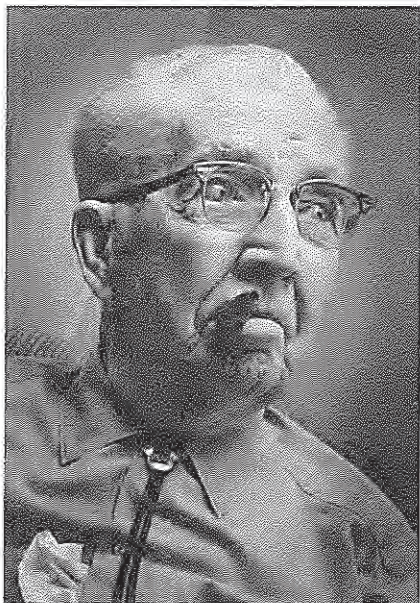
**1983
JIM DOYLE**

Regarded as Flint's greatest softball pitcher for more than 25 years, Doyle hurled his American United Life team to the 1977 American Softball Association championship. At age 49, he threw a no-hitter in the ASA tournament in 1983. He also pitched in the 1980 Pan-American Games.



**1983
BILL HAMILTON**

An outstanding athlete in football and track at Northern High in the 1940's, Hamilton later became a standout baseball and softball player. A member of the Michigan Softball Hall of Fame and the Michigan Amateur Sports Hall of Fame, Hamilton was selected to the All-World Softball team in 1945.



**1983
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T. J. HALLIGAN**

An area bowling proprietor for 40 years, Halligan was also president of three minor leagues of professional baseball and remained active in community bowling and baseball endeavors until his death in 1968.

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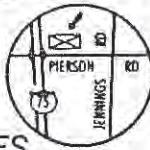
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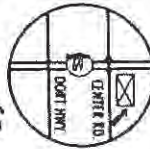
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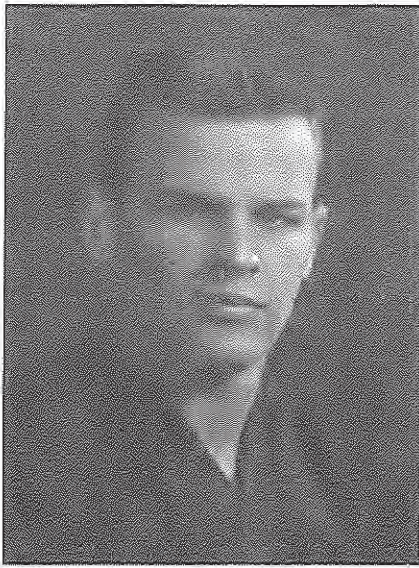
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DOMINIC TOMASI
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Tomasi, an offensive lineman, was the captain and most valuable player of the 1948 University of Michigan football team which went undefeated and won the national championship. He was a second baseman for four years on the Wolverines' baseball team. Tomasi was a standout athlete at Northern High.



JAMES R.
"JIMMY" JOHNSON

Johnson earned 11 letters in football, basketball, baseball and track at Central High in the early 1930's. He was an outstanding lineman at South Carolina State College where he earned All-American honors in 1937.



HOWARD "GUS" HUGHES
1984

An outstanding athlete at St. Michael and Central High Schools, Hughes gained great fame as a high school coach. He coached the 1928 St. Michael basketball team to the Class C state championship. In 12 seasons as a football coach at three schools, his teams never had a losing record.



FRED LAWSON
1984
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While golf pro from 1925 to 1953 at Mott Park and Swartz Creek golf courses, Lawson helped develop state and local champions. He was also a director of the Flint Junior Golf Association.

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At the time of his induction, Gilroy was considered the greatest bowler in Flint area history. He had four 300 games and more than 90 700 series. His 803 series in 1974 was the highest rolled in Flint in 37 years.



PEG HAMMOND
1984

Hammond won the city singles tennis title eight times, the last time in 1950. She also won several doubles championships in tennis and badminton. Hammond taught several sports through Mott Foundation programs in the 1930's and 1940's.



JESSE THOMAS
1984

Thomas played defensive halfback for the Baltimore Colts from 1955-57. He received honorable mention All-American honors while a halfback at Michigan State. In 1951, he was first in four events at the Big Ten track meet. Thoms was an all-around athlete at Central High.

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Morse

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him labeled as a show-off or a "hot dog" but Morse prevailed.

"Everyone shoots jumpers nowadays," he said.

He led the Class AAA league in scoring in 1942 and 1943. He scored 35 points for Algae-Gundry in a 1939 game for a personal best.

"One year I played in 110 games and we won 100," he said. "We won the state church league title three straight years and were undefeated."

He turned down a scholarship from Michigan State because he had to work.

"No one went to college in those

days. I got a job at Chevrolet instead," he said. "No one had much money but we may have been better off. We learned to get along with other people and how to be competitive.

"We had great competition. Guys like the Novak twins, Mel Winer, Floyd Bates, Joe Boudreau were tough customers. Some of them were opponents and some were teammates. They helped create a lot of memories and lifelong friendships."

He had the thrill of playing in Madison Square Garden while in the Navy during World War II.

He said, "The Brooklyn Navy Yard

had 35 guys for a three-day try-out to pick two players. After two days, I was one of the last six and made the team."

Nowadays he confines activity to golf and bowling. His family includes six children, 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A year ago he rolled a 668 series to finish fourth in singles among 1,400 entries in the state American Legion bowling tournament.

"You never get competition out of your blood," he said.

Summers

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two weeks of training camp with the Bulls before becoming the next to last cut.

"There were only 12 teams in the pros back then," said Albeck, a former NBA coach. "I firmly believe in this day and age, any of a number of teams could have used Gene's skills. He would have made a good small forward."

Summers later received a tryout with the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League and stayed two weeks before being cut.

After obtaining his degree in physical education from NMU in

1970, Summers returned to Flint but not to forget about basketball.

He led Julie's Pawn Shop to domination in the City Class AA Flint Pros, a semi-professional team that played games at Hamady High and the former IMA Auditorium.

Eleven years ago, Summers had to give up basketball though. He tore both Achilles heels during a game and hasn't seen a minute of competitive action since.

He still can grip a basketball like a vise though. And he remains keenly interested in the game.

Three years ago, Northern Mich-

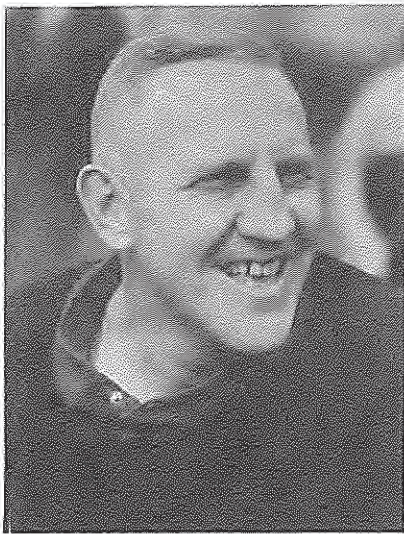
igan held a 20th reunion in Marquette for Albeck's great 1966 team. Most of the players, Summers included, returned to play in an alumni scrimmage.

Albeck was there.

"Sitting on the bench, watching Gene again almost brought tears to my eyes," said Albeck. "He couldn't move like he used to but to me he was still the old Gene Summers.

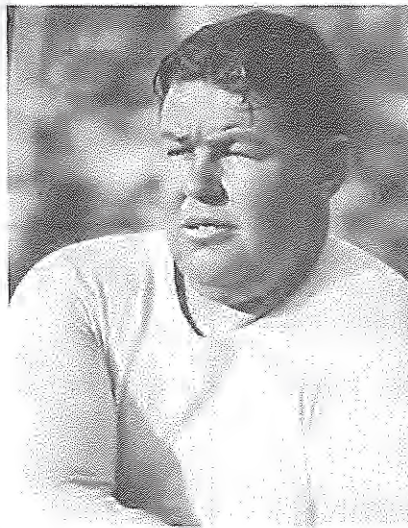
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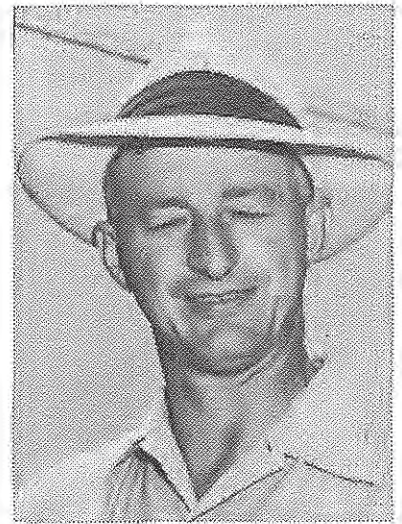
STAN BROOME
Special Service Award
1985

Broome, known as "Mr. Flint Central," worked at the school from 1925-61. He coached baseball, cross country, track, swimming and gymnastics and served as trainer in all sports. He also served as dean of boys and dean of attendance.



NAP LA VOIE
Special Service Award
1985

LaVoie spent 38 years at Flint Central High as a coach and athletic director. He was head football coach and athletic director from 1934-39, before becoming full-time athletic director in 1939. He retired in 1968.



KEN FAILING
1985

Failing was head basketball coach for 15 years at Flint St. Mary. His 1939 team won the state Class C championship. He was an outstanding all-around athlete who played pro football and basketball on Flint teams.

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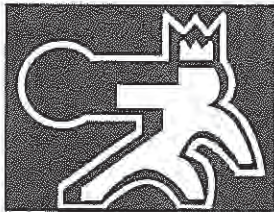
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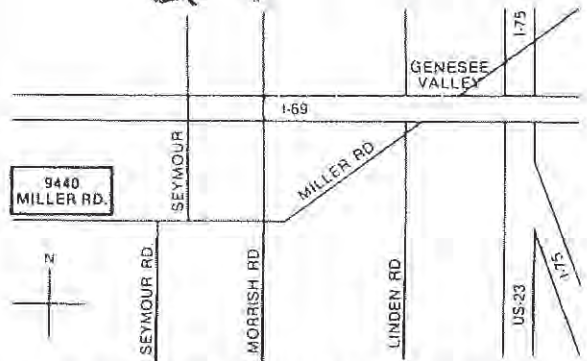


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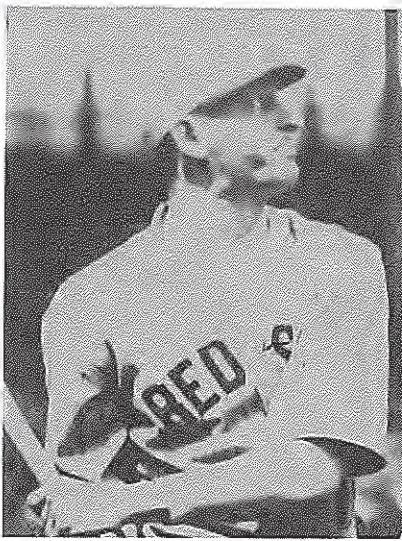
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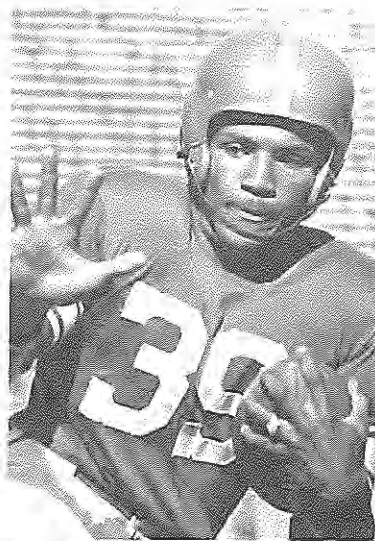
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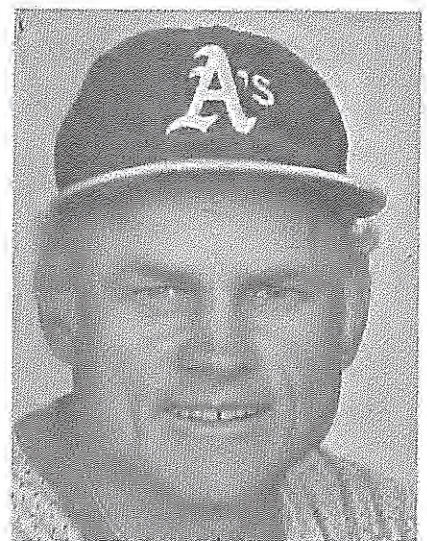
MIKE MENOSKY
1985

Menosky, an outfielder, was Flint's first Major League baseball player, joining the Washington Senators in 1916. In the early 1920s he led the Boston Red Sox in stolen bases, games played, bases on balls and triples. He batted .300 in 1921.



LEROY BOLDEN
1985

Bolden was a two-time All-American halfback at Michigan State and was most valuable player in the 1954 Rose Bowl. He played pro football with the Cleveland Browns. Bolden scored 13 touchdowns for Northern High's 1950 state Class A championship team.



STEVE BOROS
1985

Boros became Flint's first Major League baseball manager with the Oakland A's in 1982-83. He played third base for the Detroit Tigers, Cincinnati Reds and Chicago Cubs from 1961-65 after standout careers at the University of Michigan and Northern High.

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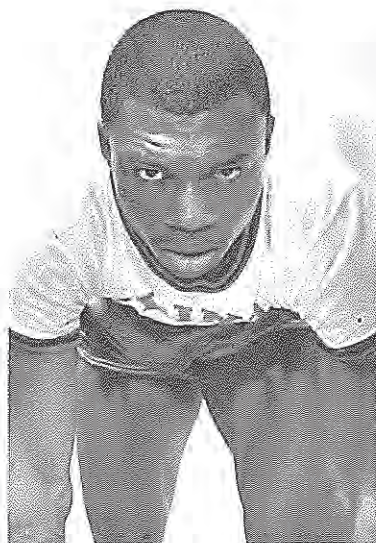
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**HERB WASHINGTON
1985**

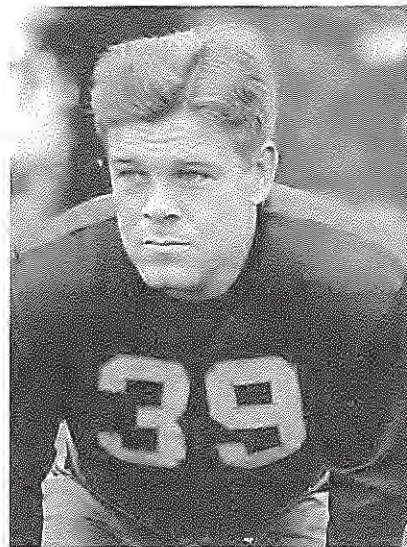
Washington set world records in the 50 and 60-yard dashes in 1970, while at Michigan State. He was a state champion sprinter at Central High. Washington stole 29 bases as a pinch-runner for the World Champion Oakland A's in 1974.

Edmonds

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An artist with the brush as well as the camera, he was active in the State and National Press Photographers Associations, serving a term as National President. His city, state and national awards are numerous, including a national award for a series of sports photos of a motorcycle racer falling off his bike. Four times he was named Michigan Press Photographer of the Year.

A man whose talent allowed him to travel all over the world, Edmonds chose to make his home and his career within the community he loved — Flint, working to make it a little better.



**RUSS REYNOLDS
1985**

Reynolds coached football for 23 years and baseball for 17 years at Beecher High, where he also served as athletic director. He was captain and quarterback of Michigan State's football team in 1934. He was an outstanding all-around athlete at Northern High.

A native of Flint, Edmonds graduated from Northern High School in 1949. He attended Mott Community College, graduating from Central Michigan University in 1954. He married his high school sweetheart, Lily Bassett. They are the parents of three children, Randy, Robert and Susan.

Edmonds had a talent for collecting more than photographs and awards for his photography. He collected friends. It was hard not to like his sense of humor or to appreciate his sense of detail . . . his uncanny ability to be in that exact place to capture that one precious moment in sports history.

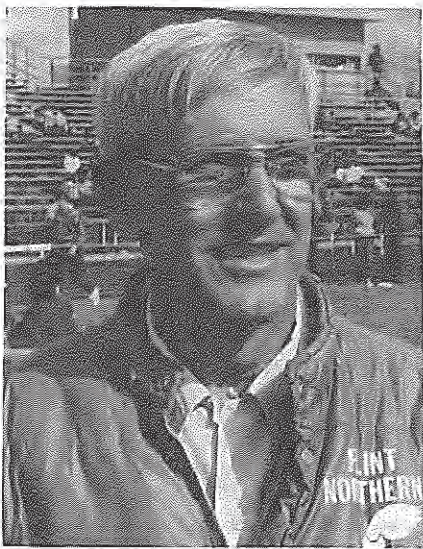
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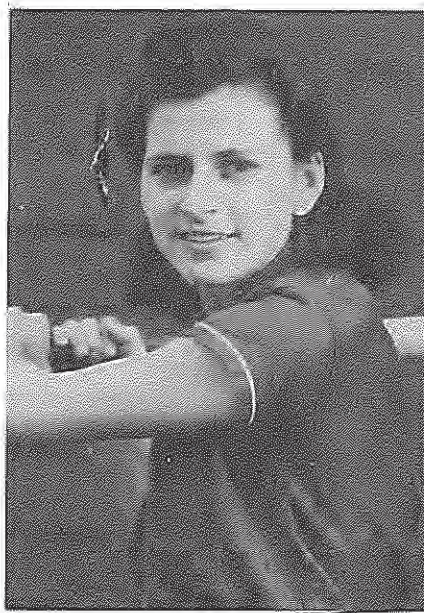
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1986

NORBERT BADAR

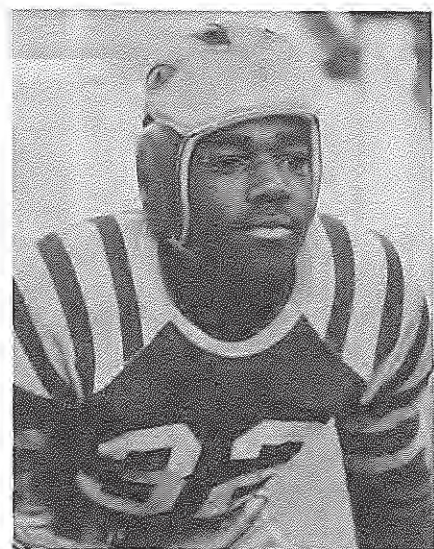
Badar was Northern High's track and cross country coach for 33 years. He was state track coach of the year nine times. His track teams won four State Class A titles, were runners-up seven times, took 14 Saginaw Valley Conference and 18 regional championships.



1986

SOPHIE KURYS

Kurys was a pioneer in women's baseball and softball. In 1943, she began playing in the American Girls Baseball League and during her nine years set several records, including 200 stolen bases and 117 runs scored in one season.



1986

ELLIS DUCKETT

Duckett was an All-State halfback at Northern High in 1949 and 1950. He went on to football glory at Michigan State. In the 1954 Rose Bowl he blocked a punt by UCLA and recovered it for a touchdown in MSU's 28-20 victory.

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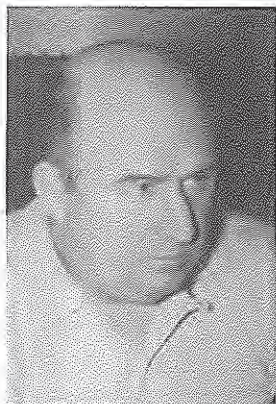


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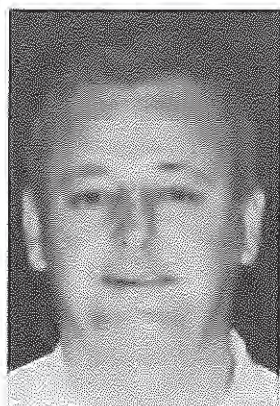
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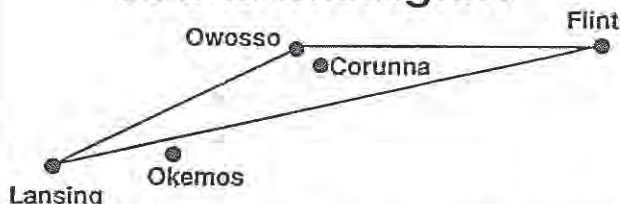
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**1986
BILL BARCLAY**

Barclay led the Northern High basketball team to the state Class A title in 1933. At the University of Michigan, he earned three letters in golf, three in football and two in basketball. In 1939, he won the State Amateur golf championship. Later, he was basketball coach at Harvard.



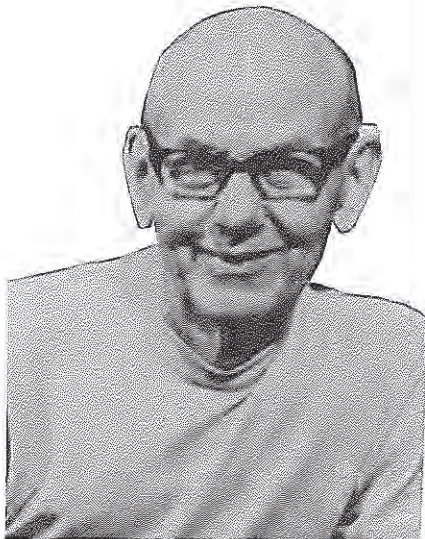
**1986
JEANETTE ROBINSON**

Robinson was a regular member of the Women's Professional Bowling Tour, winning a national title in 1974. She rolled 15 sanctioned 700 series. She coached a United States amateur team that toured Sweden in 1967.



**1986
Special Service Award
BILL MINARDO**

Minardo was Flint's first community school director at Freeman Elementary in 1951. He gave his own time unselfishly to youngsters for 40 years. He joined the Flint schools as a physical education teacher at Lowell Junior High in 1934 and retired as director of community services in 1973.



**1986
OLLIE CRAVEN**

Craven bowled numerous 300 games and more than one-hundred 700 series. In an exhibition match in 1933, he rolled two 300 games in a five-game series with a total pinfall of 1,324, a world record at that time. He once bowled 29 consecutive strikes in a 843 series.

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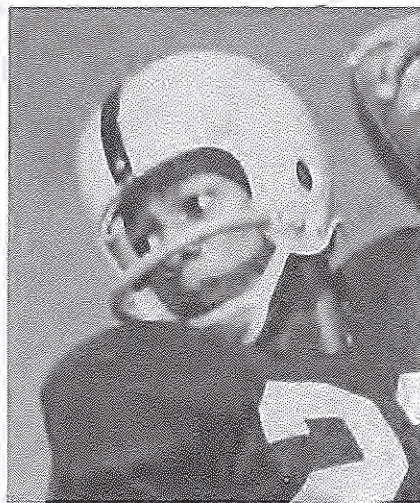
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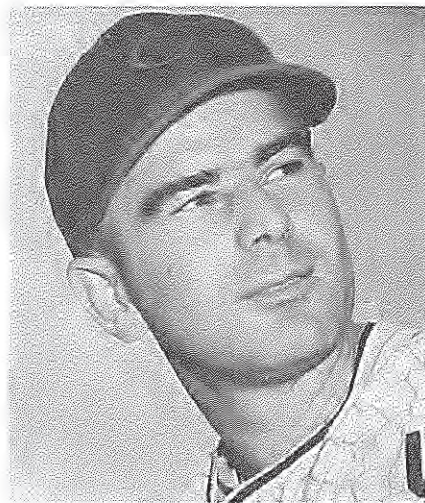
**1987
JO LAKE**

Lake coached eight state high school championship teams, at Holy Rosary and Kearsley high schools. In the 1975-76 school year her Holy Rosary teams won state Class D titles in basketball, volleyball and softball. She had two state titles in each of those sports at Holy Rosary and two state Class A volleyball titles at Kearsley. In 1979 Lake was national high school volleyball coach of the year.



**1987
LEON BURTON**

Burton was a football standout at Arizona State University from 1955-58. He led the nation in rushing with 1,151 yards and in touchdowns with 16 in 1957. He had 42 touchdowns in his career. At Northern High he starred in football and track. He ran the 120-yard hurdles in 19.1 seconds, a state record. Burton later played for the New York Titans in the American Football League.



**1987
ANDY SVENKTO**

Sventko was a long-time manager in the City Baseball League. At the time of his induction, his teams had won either the regular season or all-season championship 22 times in 25 years. In 1975 his Bishop Construction team won the National Amateur Baseball Congress national championship in the Stan Musial Division. He was an outstanding player in the CBL.

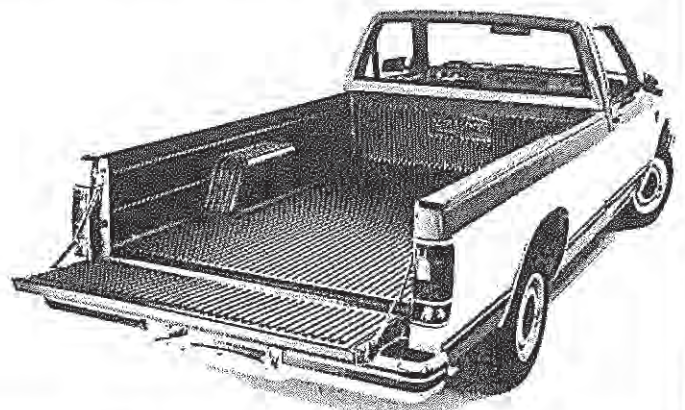
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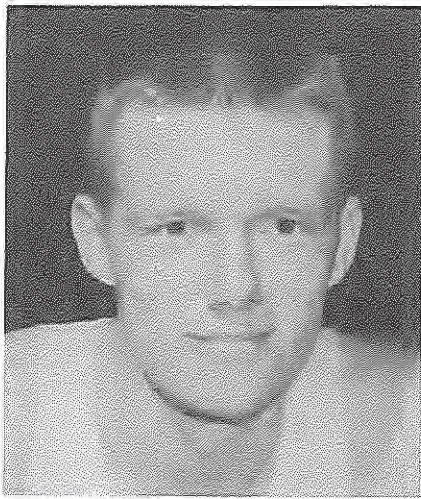
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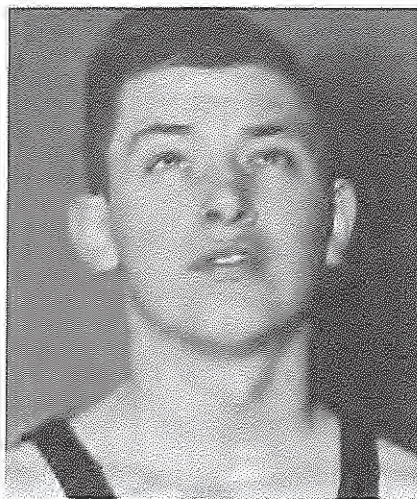




1987

M. JOE ROBERSON

Roberson was an all-state basketball and baseball player at Northern High. He led Flint Junior College's basketball team to a 23-1 record in 1955. He was a pitcher in the Brooklyn Dodgers farm system. Roberson was a two-time national seniors doubles champions in paddleball.



1987

MEL WINER

Winer considered himself the ultimate team player. He starred in city recreation leagues as basketball player, golfer, bowler and softball pitcher. He once pitched 16 straight victories. Winer won the City Open golf tournament in 1943 and was a doubles champion in tennis in 1934 at Central High.



1987

TED PRICHARD

Prichard played minor league baseball from 1925-31. In 1929 he had a 21-6 pitching record for Elmira, N.Y. He pitched a no-hitter in 1926. Prichard later starred in the Flint City Baseball League and was city recreation director from 1937-42.



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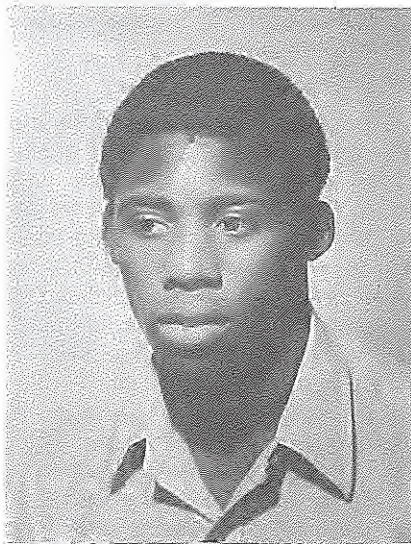
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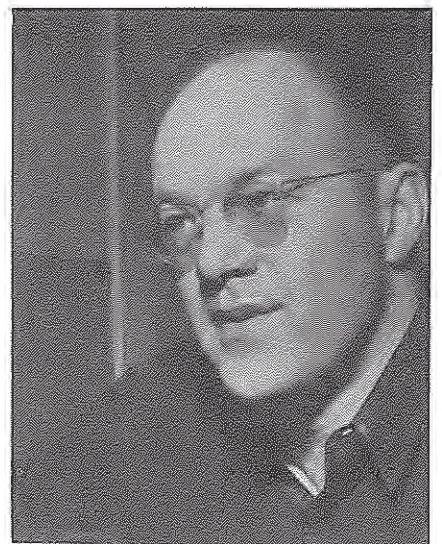
1988
ED KRUPA

Krupa was All-State in football and basketball at Northern High in 1939-40 during the Wonder Boys era, when the Vikings had a 25-0-2 record in football and won 35 straight basketball games and two Class A state titles. He won four letters in basketball, three in football and two in baseball. Krupa played halfback at Notre Dame in 1942-43.



1988
JOHN MATTHEWS

Matthews was a Greco-Roman wrestler who competed in the Olympic Games in 1976 and was a member of the 1980 Olympic team that boycotted the Games. He won the gold medal in the 163-pound division at the 1979 Pan-American Games. An eight-time national champion, he was considered the best wrestler in the history of Central Michigan University.



1988
HOWARD AUER

Auer had an 83-39-5 record as football coach at Central High from 1939-53. His unbeaten 1947 team was voted state Class A champion. Auer played tackle at the University of Michigan from 1929-31.

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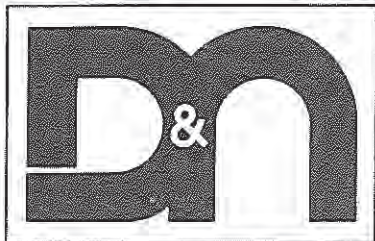
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Suci injured his knee before the 1964 season and never played again. During a scrimmage the knee was sandwiched between two players going in different directions. The knee was so badly damaged that Suci's leg could be bent far enough forward to allow his foot to touch his forehead.

"I went into shock," Suci said. "I got up and tried to walk to the huddle, then my leg started vibrating and I went down. It was a year and a half before I could walk without a limp."

One of the most difficult parts of the recuperation was the inactivity. Sports have always been a major part of Suci's life and he tried to get back into the arena as soon as possible.

Suci gave professional football another try, but was released by Denver in 1965.

He has had a variety of occupations since his playing days ended and now works as communications consultant

for Telecom USA and still lives in Grand Blanc.

No matter what his job, Suci has always found time for athletics.

Until last year Suci, now 50, was still playing full-court basketball with youngsters half his age in a league in Goodrich.

"I've always said as long as I can play competitive I'll stay with it," Suci said.

Suci didn't play this year because of another crippling injury — a severed Achilles heel that required surgery.

"It was 12 weeks before I could put any weight on it," Suci said.

He gets around just fine, now, but Suci conceded it finally may be time to let the youngsters go on without him.

If Suci has one regret, it is that his professional football opportunities came along too soon to allow him to share in the big money being paid these days.

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Bob Suci

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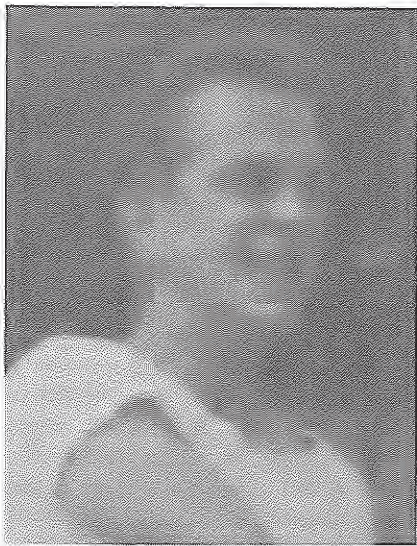
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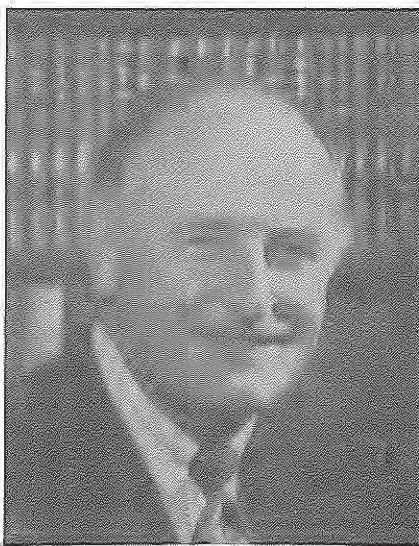
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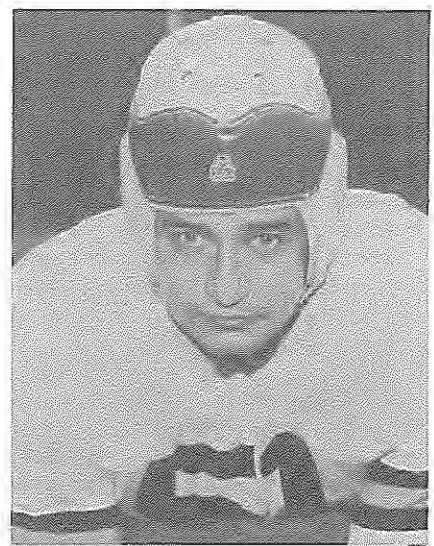
Fleischmann won nine straight City Singles Tennis Championships from 1947-55. He was undefeated for two years while playing for Northern High, and he also played tennis at Flint Junior College and Michigan State University.



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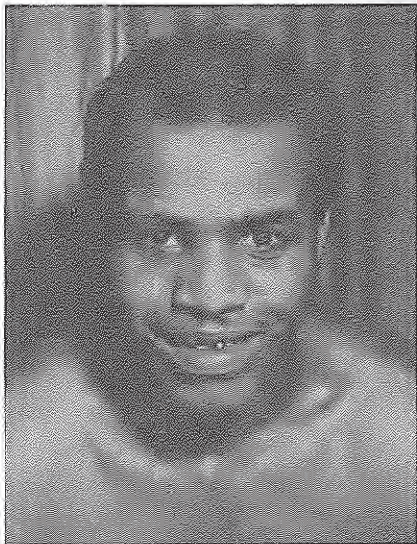
Murphy, who died in 1984, donated countless hours to the Flint Golden Gloves program, examining boxers before their bouts. He was one of the founders of the Flint Boxing Commission. Murphy also gave his time to the Grand Blanc High and Flint St. Mary High athletic programs. He was known as a man who was never too busy to help.



1988

PETE FUSI

Fusi was a center on the Michigan State University football team from 1946-49. At Northern High, he was All-Saginaw Valley in football in 1942-43 and All-State in 1943. He later was an outstanding high school football coach.



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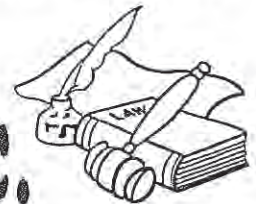
BENNIE McCOMBS

McCombs was a Flint Golden Gloves boxing champion who won the Chicago Tournament of Champions in the middleweight division in 1942. He had a 90-6 professional record and a 100-5 record as an amateur. He was state light-heavyweight champion as a professional.

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Frechette

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Frechette's athletic career began at Dort High in the 1920s where he played football, speedball, soccer and baseball.

When he was 15, Frechette began setting pins at Flint Recreation which led to the beginning of a bowling career that began in 1934.

Frechette was one of the founders of the Flint Major Classic League, which remains today as one of the area's premier leagues. Frechette served six years as league president.

He also was a president and life member of the Flint Men's Bowling Association and served as a zone

director for the Michigan State Bowling Association.

Frechette's highest league average was 198, a figure he often exceeded in tournament competition. He had a 704 series in the Central States Tournament during the 1940s, tossed a 675 series in the singles portion of the American Bowling Congress national tournament and in 1937 finished 19th nationally in the doubles segment of the ABC with Paul Salay.

In golf Frechette, a public course player, won nearly every championship for which he was eligible, some more than once.


Frechette was a six-time City Publinox champion. He twice won the City Amateur tournament, an event that brings together the best players

from the public and private courses.

He also won the City Best-Ball tournament and two City Seniors crowns as well as the course championships at Genesee Hills, Swartz Creek, Kearsley Lake, IMA Brookwood, Shoreacres and Mott Park.

"There is no Hall of Fame for golf in our area or certainly Frechette would make it," wrote former Journal Sports Editor Doug Mintline in 1972.

Flint still doesn't have a golf hall of fame, but the Sports Hall of Fame provides the opportunity to salute a man whose accomplishments deserve permanent recognition among all of the area's premier athletes.




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Goggins

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Ivory said, "Our team spirit is much improved and the player most responsible is Goggins. His ability makes his spirit more effective in bringing other players up. Many pepper pots are all mouth but Mike is one of those rare finds who has a lot of drive to go along with his fighting spirit."

Mike is one of four boys and three girls in the Goggins family.

After attending St. Matthew in grade school, he switched to St. Michael for high school.

"I went to St. Mike because I could play all sports and my idol was Cletus LaSalle," Goggins said.

LaSalle and Goggins have been called the two best all-around athletes for the Mikes by longtime coach Tom Smith.

What does Goggins think of Smith?

"He's like family. He's the greatest, that's all," said an admiring Goggins.

He was a four-year letterman at St. Michael in football, basketball and baseball. He twice was named to the all-Trolley League team in football and basketball, being a unanimous choice on three of the four teams.

He helped St. Michael to three victories in four tries against St. Matthew in Flint's oldest rivalry. He made only a token appearance in the 1946 defeat because of a broken nose suffered days before the game.

The 1947 football team at one point was ranked No. 2 among Michigan's Class B teams after successive victories

over previously undefeated Bay City Handy and Lapeer, both Class A.

Goggins threw two touchdown passes in a 12-7 victory over Lapeer in a celebrated duel against John Wilson, later to be a Michigan State standout.

"That team could have played anyone," Goggins said.

He was twice honored on the all-Flint team which usually included only players from Central and Northern.

He belonged with that group because he was Class A in every way.

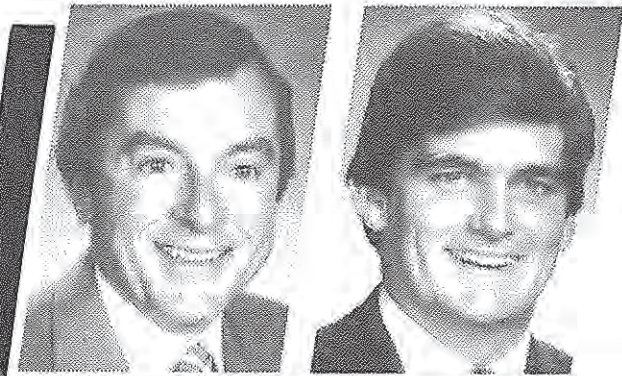
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Seidel

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relieve and play outfield," said Seidel, who batted .250. "But I enjoyed it."

He was promoted two classes to St. Petersburg in 1949 and had a 3-4 record, seeing infrequent action because "the manager and I didn't see eye to eye." So he skipped to an independent league in Quebec.

He was lured back to organized baseball the following spring but injured his arm in Pensacola.

"It probably was a rotator cuff before anyone knew about rotator cuffs being injured," he said.

He returned to Flint, switched to softball and managed Dom Polski to the Class B city championship. "Softball was OK because I could throw underhand," he said.

In basketball, he played with the great White Seal Beer and Emerson Inn teams. He set a season record on Feb. 10, 1943, in the Class AAA league, scoring 32 of James Lumber's 51 points. He won the scoring championship with 277 points.

"I was going into the service that week so my teammates fed the ball to me so I would win the title," he said.

He once carried a 194 bowling average, hitting a high game of 279 and a series of 708.

As for selection to the Hall of Fame, he said. "I'm honored to be with some of the people who have been chosen. Tom Smith was a great coach and convinced me to be a pitcher.

"Ted Prichard and Steve Bysko taught me to pitch on the corners of the plate. And there are a bunch of others who were teammates and opponents.

"This will be a big night for me."

Suci

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The biggest contract he ever signed was for \$11,000. Many players now get paid at least as much for one game. High draft choices become instant millionaires.

"These guys today don't realize how good they've got it," Suci said. "They can set up their whole lives in five years. Tell me a better job than one where you enjoy doing something and get paid a lot of money for doing it."

Suci never received big money for his abilities but he does have the memories. They are something money can't buy.

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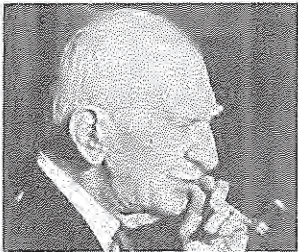
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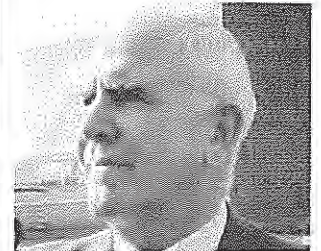
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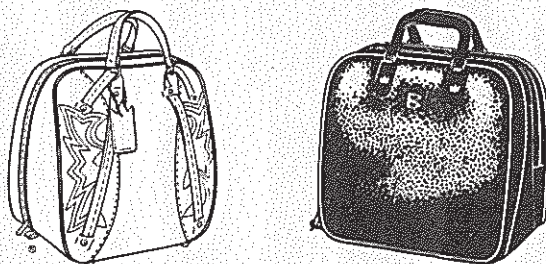
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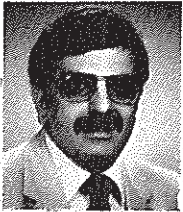
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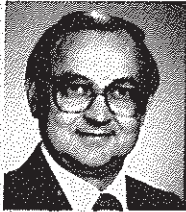
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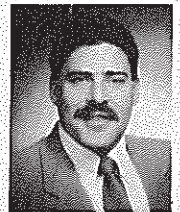
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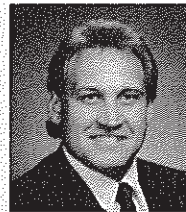
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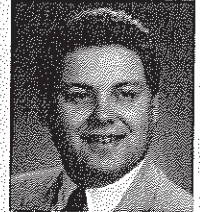
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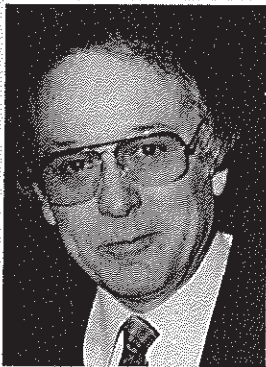
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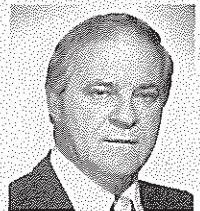
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