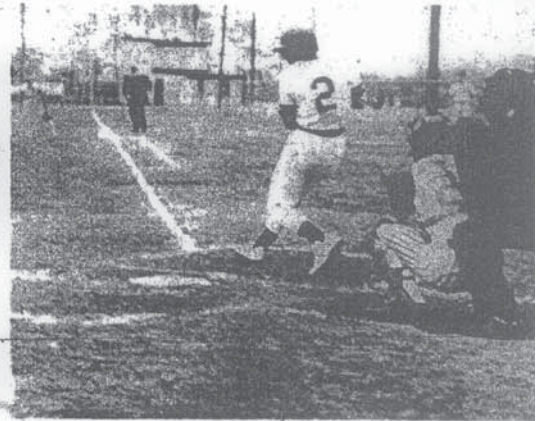


"Golden Bear" Is Still For Is Nicklaus Ready For



WINNING HOME RUN — Carey Todd of Smyrna gets the home plate treatment after hitting his second homer of the day in the seventh that beat Riverdale 6-5 here Tuesday.



SWINGING INTO the ball for Riverdale is John Eddie Henry during the early stages of a 6-5 loss to Smyrna Bulldogs here Tuesday afternoon.

Todd Homers Beat Riverdale 6-5

Riverdale High school played its first official baseball game ever Tuesday and lost it 6-5 to Smyrna at Oaklands Park. A decision to pitch to home-running hitting Carey Todd in the seventh after Smyrna Coach Raymond Thomas protested a Riverdale plan to use the speed-up rule resulted in Todd's second homer of

the day and a 6-3 Smyrna lead. The speed-up rule, used on some occasions to initiate an intentional pass without the four pitches, passed apparently isn't in effect in TSSAA baseball. The rhubarb began after Smyrna had put two on in the seventh and a super combination of Rick Mosby throwing to Riverdale catcher Lewis Tigg had cut off a possible Bulldog rally. But the decision to go ahead

and throw to Todd was made and Pierre Lyons fired away. And as he did earlier, Todd drove the ball out of the short Oakland Babe Ruth League park with two on sending Smyrna out in front 6-3. Riverdale and Lyons retired the side in the top of the seventh and started a rally of its own. Randall Turner, who had a homer in the fourth with no one on base, drew a walk, John Eddie Henry doubled sharply to right scoring Turner who had advanced to third on two passed balls.

Henry also made it home on wild pitches and passed balls narrowing the gap to 6-5 after Lyons had drawn an international free ticket. But the Warriors last hope faded when Tigg popped out to third on an attempted bunt, Ricky Mosby went down on a fielder's choice, and pinchhitting Harold Jet went down on three strikes. Smyrna took a quick 1-0 lead in the first inning on a combination of Smyrna mistakes, but this was erased in the fourth by Turner's home run and a single by Tigg that scored

Lyons, making the score 2-1 Riverdale. Lyons went the distance on the mound to take the loss for Riverdale. The Warriors were scheduled to do a make-up game at Leba-

anon today, but rain all but eliminated a ball game. Brazilians are checking a "check" check.

Warriors Impressive in Scrimmage

Riverdale Football Now Looking Like A Winner

With an accelerated program designed to improve on the mediocre 1972 record, Riverdale football has taken on a winning look during spring practice which more or less came to a conclusion here Tuesday night in a scrimmage with Dickson County High school.

"We're initiating a 3-way program," Coach Phil Watts announced. "Beginning with the fall season, we will have three schedules for three separate programs."

Watts explained he plans a 7-game schedule this fall for the freshman and seven for the B-Team plus the regular ten-game schedule for the varsity.

Except for the Lawrenceburg game, the schedule will be the same in 1973 as in 1972 with the home-and-home arrangement reversed. Lawrenceburg will play here again in 1973 making for a 6-game home slate. Tuesday's controlled

scrimmage with Dickson resulted in Riverdale winning 12-6, (no attempts for points-after), in a game that began under a heavy thundershower and completed in a sea of water on Horace Jones field.

High points of the game were runs by Dale Gaines and Kenny Roper, both long ones for touchdowns.

Gaines, who has been converted from offensive end to wingback, reeled off some sixty yards on a wide sweep to the left, made a couple of good cutbacks scoring early in the ball game.

Roper made his score from some 35 yards out late in the scrimmage, breaking off the right side of the line and covering the yardage like a seasoned performer. He played very little last year.

Watts said Gaines change of position was made because of his excellent time on the 40-yard dash, (a 4.5 to be exact), along with his overall talent for the backfield position. Gaines will continue to play his defensive end spot some.

Dwight Holder, who moved to fullback midway of the 1972 season, has that position nailed down for 1973 along with the nose guard position on defense he has been playing all along.

And big Dennis Harrison, 6-6 and around 230 pounds, is enjoying some offensive plaudits this season, working from tight end.

Coach Watts admitted

Harrison doesn't have great speed, but he pointed that his size will make him a real threat in high school football circles.

Rhett Smith did most of the quarterback, completed one good pass and had one intercepted.

Watts agreed his club's blocking in the line was much improved from 1972 and said the overall picture really looks better.



RANDALL TURNER of Riverdale also got into act of Oaklands Park Tuesday coming home easily one out of the park against Smyrna.



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