Playoff picture grim for Raider gridders

North Farmington's post-season football fate may be sealed about two hours before it takes the field for its regular-season finale next Saturday

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North Farmington, unbeaten through eight games this season, is condending for a place in the state Class A playoffs as a member of Region 3. Livonia Churchill and Detroit Northwestern are also contenders in Region 3. The top two teams in each of the state's four Class A regions will advance to the playoffs.

regions will advance to the playoffs. Theseten Churchill can grab a play-off spot if it can defeat once-beaten Livenia Stevenson next Friday night. Of much more importance to North Farmington will be the Northwestern-Detroit Northern game, set for 10 a.m. Saturday at Wayne State University. A victory for unbeaten Northwestern would ersure it of a playoff berth.

North Farmington will close out its regular season at home at 2 p.m. on saturday against Farmington High, which has won only one game in eight

outings. Coach Ron Holland's North squad took another step toward an unbeaten season last Saturday, when it took a surprisingly-easy 35-0 victory from city-rival Farmington Harrison, Harri-son, which fell to 5-3, had been expected to give the Raiders 2 battle. North, however, dominated every phase of the game, rushing for 205 yards and passing for 177, while holding Harrison to 79 on the ground and none through the air.

back, scored three touchdowns, two coming on short runs, another on a 16-yard pass play from quarterback Ron Fredericks.

Fredericks, who had missed the first six games this season because of an injury suffered in a pre-season scrimnege, also three a 2-year dT pass to end Ron Nutter. No. 2 QB Rich Burtell, who was injured in the same scrimnege, was healthy against Harrison, hitting Tom Herrington with a 25-yard scoring pass.

"For the past couple of weeks, Fredericks has been working awfully herd to regain his starting position," Holand said. "He's been throwing real well in practice. We've been spending a lot of time with all our quarterbacks on the running and the passing games."

North's passing game was impres-sive—10 completions in 17 attempts with one harmless interception.

Harrison's passing game provided not one yard—0 for 10 with three key interceptions. Interceptions by Nutter

and Jim Minhinnett set up North touchdowns. Coach Ralph Temby's alert Raider defense was led by junior tackle George Houttekier, who was awarded the game helmet for his out-standing play. Mike Miller, another North tailback.

Make Miller, another North tailback, tel del Irushers with 104 yards in 19 carries. Harrison's Dave Turnquist, who had been averaging more than 80 yards a game at tailback, gained only 2 yards in seven tries against North. Harrison ends its season next Saturday at home against one-beaten Plymouth Salem. Game time is 2 p.m.

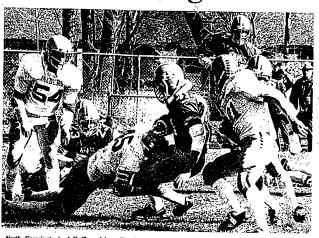
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North Farmington's Jeff Chen drives Harrison's Dave Turnquist back with a solid hit during last Sat-

urday's game, won by North Farmington, 35-0. (Photo by Harry Mauthe)



Lathrup harriers advance to state championships

Southfield-Lathrup's boys' cross courtry team has a date on a golf course next Saturday morning. Lathrup, the Metro Suburban Association cross country champion, finished third in the Class A regional 21 Royal Oak Kimball last Saturday. As a result of that showing, the entire Lathrup team will advance to the Class A finals Saturday at Faulkwood Shores Golf

Farmington Hills football standings

Following are the won-loss records of the teams in the Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department's Men's Touch Football League. Standings reflect games played through Oct.

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The top three teams from each regional, plus the 10 fastest runners who are not already part of the top three teams, qualify for the state finals. Host Kimball won the regional

three scams, quality for the state finals. Host Kimball was the regional with 67 points, and Royal Oak Dondero was second with 85.

"I think we ran a little under what were hoping to run," said Lahrup coach Gerald Mineweaer. "Dondero (like Lahrup, a member of the MSA) ran better than they'd run ell year. That's OK. We'll save it for next Saturday."

Lahrup's best finish came from Andy Krafsur. who took 14th place with a time of 15:44. Teanmate Bob with a time of 15:44. Teanmate Bob with a time of 15:44. Teanmate Bob with a time of 15:44. Teanmate Sob with a time of 15:45. Teanmate Sob with a time of 15:4

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Middlebrook (20th in 15:57), Tim Johnson (21st, 15:57) and Dave Foley (24th, 16:04).

"Those five guys were within about 20 seconds of each other, and that's what we wanted." Mineweaser said. Southfield High, which finished eighth in the regional with 226 points, had a qualifier in John Yuchas, Her an a 15:94 for 18th place, the last qualifying spot.

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Charles Broski of Hazel Park won the Class A race in 14:58. Brian Fergu-

son of Dondero was second in 15:06, and Steve Orlando of Kimball took third in 15:09.

A REGIONAL for girls was held last Saturday at Kimball. One Lathrup girl. Kim Rosensteel, qualified for rext Saturday's state finals at Haslett High School near Lansing. Rosensteel qualified with a time of 19:20, good for 17th place. Lathrup's team finished Lib with 32 points. Southfield High also has a girls'

cross country team, but it was ineligible to compete in the regional. One Southfield girl, Jennifer Worthy, broke her ankle in a previous meet, leaving the Blue Jays with only four

runners, the blue Jays will fully flour runners, Rochester High won the regional with 67 points. Brighton was second with 90, and Farmington Our Lady of Mercy was third with 116. Susan Brown of Brighton set a course record 17:50 in winning the individual race. In the Class D regional, also held at

BUY 2 cartons of Kimball last Saturday. Southfield Christian finished fourth with 85 points. Under the format, the entire Christian boys' team will qualify for the Class D state meet next Saturday of Equilibrous Shares.

ure Class D state meet next Saturday at Faulkwood Shores.

In the Class D individual race, Christian's Bob Kuntzman finished 11th in 17:19, and teammate Don Gibson landed 13th in 17:20, Other Christian rumers: Scott Ourland (18th), Todd Vestevich (22nd) and Dan Staples (22nd).

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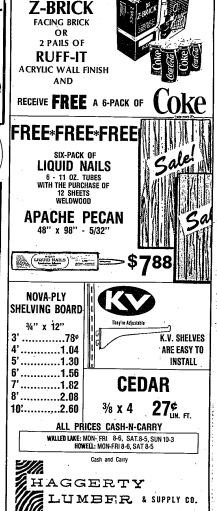
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