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By Tom Baer staff writer

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"Harrison's a very solid football team, the best overall team we've seen all year." That was Dearborn Fordson football coach Charles Jestice praising the Harrison Hawks.

"Fordson's defense is really tena-clous. Those kids really hit." That was one of the many nice things Harrison coach John Herrington had to say about the Fordson Tractors. This Mutual Admiration Society will be disbanded at I pm. Saturday when Harrison and Fordson clash on the arti-ficial turf of the Pontine Silverdome with the Michigan Class A high school foolball championship going to the winner.

Harrison, unbeaten through 11straight games this season, ran its twoyear win streak to 22 last Saturday, using two field goals by Dave Blackmer
to eliminate previously-unbeaten Milthe straight to you."

"Fordson has a power offense,
ground oriented," Herrington said, "and
they take it right to you."

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ford Lakeland, 6-3, in the Class A playoff semifinal on a muddy Birming-bam Groves Held.

The kicking game made the differ-ence for once-beaten Fordson in its 3-0 semifinal victory over Saginaw Arthur Hill last Saturday at Lansing Sexton High School.

FORDSON SHOULD be picked to win by most the Detroit-area nowspaper "experts," fierrington believes.
"I think Fordson will be favored going in because of its tremendous football reputation and its victories over teams like Monroe and (Dearborn) Edsel Ford, he said. "I'm sure this will be our toughest game of the season."

Offensively, Jestice has used both the popular Power-I and the old-fashioned full-house backfield formations to roll

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Fordson's offense revolves around left halfback Kevin Harris, a 5-foot-11, 175-pound senlor who missed the first two games of the season but has since come on to gain more than 700 yards, and senlor quarterback Larry Kopchia, who is considered a running threat because of his size (6-5, 210).

Other running threats are seniors Lacrelo Pugina (5-11, 175) and Paul Potrzeba (5-0, 130), Fordson's top line-man is guard Bill Kiafoulis (6-0, 205). Place kicker Dick Brooks, a junior, made good on a 30-yard field goal, his lirst success in four attempts this sea-son, to beat Arthur Hill.

"We're going to have to find a way to stop that power running game," Herr-ington said. "Our defense has risen to the occasion before. Hope they can do it one more time."

FORDSON'S DEFENSE has given up more points (83) than Harrison's (33), but the Tractors have some rug-ged defenders, including Harris at safe-ty and Klafoults at linebacker. Other mainstays are senior ends Mark Brown (5-11, 180) and Mario Brunett (6-2, 190) and halfback Hassan Jafer (5-7, 180).

Harrison would seem to be at the top of its game right now. The Hawk offense, potent with the running of sophomore tallback John Miller (6-2, 180) and the running and place kicking of senior Blackmer (5-10, 180), has been overshadowed by the defense, which has aix shutouts, including a 23-0 thumping of Bloomfield Hills Lahser in the first playoff game.

Blackner, who plays fullback and linebacker when his foot services aren't required, tied the state high school field goal record when he kicked a 55-yarder last season. His field goals against Lakeland went 34 and 32 yards. Harrison also has an excellent passer in senior quarterback Ken Kish (6-1, 175), who likes to throw to seniors Jim Adams (5-9, 160), Rick Main (6-3, 175) and Gordie Dawson (6-1, 165).

Hawk defensive standouts are nose guard Jim Barkach (5-11, 165), tackles Tim Smigleiski (5-11, 195) and Jerry Eisen (5-10, 195) and cornerback Flein Baker (5-9, 160).

"You have to play a sound, complete game to beat Harrison," Jestice said, and I don't know that anyone can do it. Harrison kicks the ball well and plays

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excellent defense. They have enough offense to get by."

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BOTH TEAMS have been to the Deme for big games before. Harrison won the Class B champine, while the property of the proper

The 1972 Tractors were ranked No. 1. In the state with a 3-0 record.
Fordson shares the Great Late Eight football champlonship with Morroe and Wyandotte. Monroe best the Tractors, 24-14, but Wyandotte came back to shock Monroe, 25-0.

Harrison won the ca-o.

Harrison won the championship of
the new Western Lakes Activities axoclation by beating tough Plymouth Salem, 14-7, in the eight game of the regular season.

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INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

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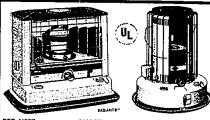
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Southfield-Lathrup (13-9)

Briggs shines on

Schoolcraft College swingman Carlos Briggs gave another display of stellar bankethall by scoring 48 points in 19 and 19 seventy Friday night at Kellogg Community College in Battle Creek.

The Detroit Benedicting graduate was coming off the heels of a 53-point per graduate was coming off the heels of a 53-point per graduate two common of the heels of a 53-point per graduate was coming off in the score of the first half, but the Ocelots trailed 58-Q points in the first half, but the Ocelots trailed 58-Q points in the first half, but the Ocelots trailed 58-Q points in the Ocelots wor going away.

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Briggs in 12 led 38 shots from the floor and made aix of nine free throws. More importantly, Briggs added 10 steals and nine assists.

Four other Schoolcraft players were in double figures — Bill Keyes and Scott Conrad, 14 points each; Tom Niergarth, 13, and Barry Vaughn, 11.

Reyes, a 6-3 Livonia Stevenson grad, also grabbed 10 rebounds.

Schoolcraft (2-0) will host the University of Windsor (Ont.) junior varsity team at 8 tonight.