

# City Of Champs! Livonia Already Boasts 2

The City of Champions? You'll find it in Livonia where three of the high school football teams figure to emerge as league champions this week.

Bentley (Suburban Six) and Stevenson (Interlakes) already are assured title shares. All they need is a tie or victory Friday to make it an undisputed flag.

Meanwhile, Franklin in the Northwest will wind up sharing honors in the Northwest Suburban League if it wins Saturday.

Never before has any Observerland city boast-

ed so many titlists in one season.

Here's the story, league-by-league:

**SUBURBAN SIX:** Bentley leads with a 4-0 record. A win or tie against Plymouth Friday gives Bentley the crown all by its lonesome. If Bentley loses, it would share matters with the Allen Park-Trenton winner. The latter two are tied for second with 3-1 marks.

**INTERLAKES:** Stevenson with a 4-0 record can't do anything worse than share the pennant. But the Livonians will win it outright

by beating Waterford, now tied with Pontiac Northern for second place. Waterford and Pontiac Northern (the latter by downing Farmington) would join Stevenson in a three-way title tie if they win.

**NORTHWEST:** It's Franklin, North Farmington and Thurston all tied with 3-1 records at the moment. Each should win its finale—Franklin against Oak Park, Thurston at Groves and North Farmington against Glenn. If one of the leaders wins and the other two

lose, there would be an outright champ. There could be a single, double or triple winner.

Both Stevenson and Bentley also have their sights glued on perfect seasons. Each is 6-0 and both are being rated in the various State Class A polls.

There's also a chance for Garden City to figure in the Mid-Wayne League title picture. But East has to beat Inkster while Robichaud upsets Riverview for Inkster to tie with Riverview as the champs.

## Victory Friday Will Clinch Crown

# Unbeaten Bentley Crushes Parkers

Presenting their best offensive display of the season before an appreciative homecoming crowd of more than 3,500, Bentley High's Bulldogs roared to their 11th straight

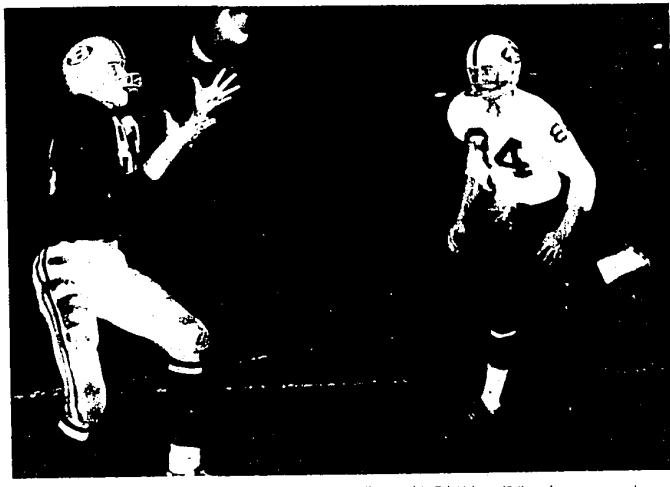
victory -- sixth this season -- by whipping once-beaten Allen Park, 40-21.

The triumph assured Bentley of a share of the Suburban Six League championship and placed

ed the defending champion Parkers where only a defeat of the Bulldogs by Plymouth next Friday will preserve a tie for the crown. Bentley can clinch it all by downing the

Rocks -- and it is a heavy favorite.

As expected the battle between the Bulldogs and Parkers turned into one of the finest high school duels of the season in Observerland. It found Bentley scoring three times in the second quarter for a 20-0 halftime margin.



(Photo by Harry Mauthe)

Allen Park's Ed Milner (84) rushes over too late for the tackle. The toss from Quarterback Bob Walden started Bentley on the way to its 40-21 victory in the annual homecoming game.

## Stevenson Near Title With Sixth Victory

The championship fever has caught on at Livonia's Stevenson High School.

In only its third year of operations last spring Stevenson fielded a baseball winner in the Interlakes Conference.

Now it's Stevenson No. 1 in the loop in football with a share of the crown locked up and a chance:

1 -- For an outright, undisputed title if Stevenson can beat or tie Waterford Friday.

2 -- For a perfect season of eight straight victories, Stevenson has a 6-0 record with 75 per cent of the schedule completed.

Smith on five yards and Frank Kokenakes, who went in from eight yards out.

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**THE LIVONIANS** boosted their lead to 27-0 midway through the third frame and then saw the Parkers rally twice in sensational style in less than three minutes to reduce the deficit to 27-14.

The team traded touchdowns in the final stanza for a 34-21 count and then Bentley tallied the final six pointer in the closing moments of play for the 40-21 triumph.

Quarterback Bob Walden completed five of six passes, three for touchdowns to total 141 yards in that department. All told the Livonians collected 232 yards on offense to 134 for the Parkers.

The fired-up Livonians didn't waste a moment in showing they were out to give the homecoming crowd something to cheer. They took the opening kickoff and reeled off three successive first downs to the Parker 48 before the visitors held and Tim Malone punted to the Parker 28.

Three plays later Wingback Mike Ferguson punted to Watson in midfield and Bentley was on its way.

Quarterback Bob Walden rounded left for 11 yards to the 39. Fullback Roy Garland and Malone moved it to the 26 in three plays as the quarter ended.

Two line plays and an off-side penalty against the Parkers put the ball on the 15. Then with 10:23 on the clock, Walden faded back and whipped the ball to End Fred Howell all alone at the left side of the field and the big senior sped into the end zone.

Brazilian Moyses Nader, the dent, hit the goal post in the try for extra point for his second miss of the season. But Bentley held a 6-0 lead.

The crowd had hardly settled down from that thrill until Bentley was threatening again. Nader kicked the ball through the end zone or the kickoff. Quarterback Ray DeMartti tumbled and recovered

brant for 20 yards.

**BUT STEVENSON** came right back on touchdowns by Ron

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## Borgess Rolls Along With Eyes On Crown

Wouldn't it be something for a team without seniors to win a football title?

It just might happen if Bishop Borgess can upset Dearborn Sacred Heart Saturday afternoon.

Sacred Heart stands 5-0 in the First Division -- West in the Catholic League. Borgess, in the loop for the first year in fielding only its first varsity team, has a 4-1 record.

"They'll be too tough for us," says Coach Pat Uetz of Borgess. "But we'll show up."

Borgess roared over Dearborn St. Alphonsus in decisive style Sunday, winning by a 25-6

score.

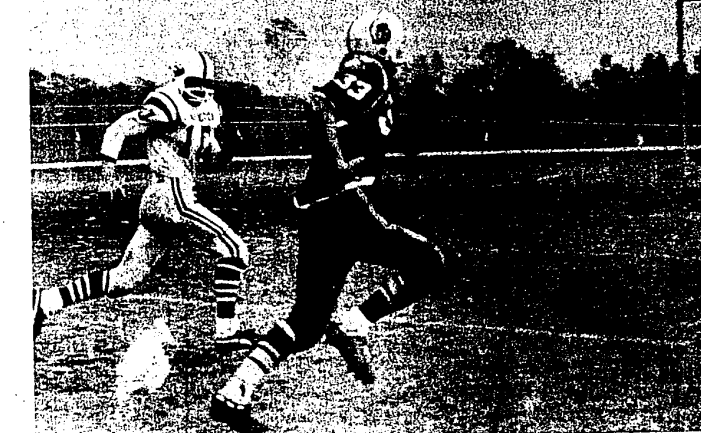
**LOUIS HERSEY** BROKE through to block a kick and Mark Santus pounced on the ball in the end zone to give Borgess an early lead.

Then it was Dennis Koltunichuk on a 49-yard run for TD No. 2.

The scoring swelled when Borgess staged a 50-yard march with Jim Pomaranski going the final yard.

The last touchdown resulted from another long drive with Jim Bulger slipping around end from seven yards out.

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(Photo by Doug Johnson) HEADING FOR PAYDIRT on a gallop of more than 50 yards is Stevenson's Dale Danver,

one of the key performers in the unbeaten Spartans' easy victory over Farmington for their sixth in a row.

## Grid Schedule

**THURSDAY**  
Churchill at Garden City West (JV), 4 p.m.

**FRIDAY**  
Belleville at Redford Union, 8 p.m.  
Clarencville at Waterford Kettering, 8 p.m.  
Garden City East at Inkster, 3 p.m.  
Bentley at Plymouth, 8 p.m.  
Walled Lake at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.  
Waterford at Stevenson, 4 p.m.  
Garden City West at Plymouth, 3 p.m.  
North Farmington at John Glenn, 8 p.m.  
Thurston at Groves, 8 p.m.

**SATURDAY**  
Dearborn Sacred Heart at Bishop Borgess (Thurston), 2:30 p.m.  
Oak Park at Franklin, 2 p.m.

**SUNDAY**  
Wayne St. Mary's at St. Agatha (Redford Union), 2:30 p.m.  
Our Lady of Sorrows at Ferndale St. James, 2:30 p.m.

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