Harrison-Glenn game tops list in Week 8

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three times.

Both teams are 7-0. Harrison is No. 1 in Class A., Glenn No. 6 in Class AA.

In other key games, Redford Union is at Melvindale, and Catbolic Central plays host to Detroit-Lesuit. RU and CC hope to finish undefeated in their divisions.

On the prediction scoreboard, is a tie ballgame with two

more ways than one last week. O'Meara missed big time on three Saturday games and awa two-game lead disappear. Pooff Brad Emons was 11-3 last week, O'Meara 9-5. Heading into the home stretch, both are 76-26 overall. GRID PICKS

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Redford Union at Melvindale, 7 p.m.:
The Mega Conference-Blue Division championship is at stoke. Redford Union (70, 50) clinehed a share of the title last week when it routed filver floage. A win will arrost ground cross a bloom's case of the title last week when it routed filver floage. A win will arrost ground cross a bloom's circle their ninth game is against one-since the Conferency, Melvindale is a fitting opponent for the last division game since the Conferiols (5-2, 41) area force a co-championship by beating flux. Melvinday is coming of the 22-9 win over Crestwood. PICKS: The Panthers claw their way to victory.
Wayne at Monroe: Wyne will try to play spoiler in its last two games. The Zebras (4-3, 3-3) stumbled last week against Wynadotte, Iosing 34-21, and were climinated from leyelf contention.

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Clarenceville.

Ply. Salem at W.L. Western: The
Rocks (4-3, 3-2) finished second in the
WIAA Eakes Division by virtue of their
41-0 victory over Farmington and carned

the right to face state-tanked Walled Lake Western. The Warriors hed a close of the work of the result of the resu

Mustangs, but Emons ilkes the falcons to rebound.

W.L. Contral at Liv. Churchill: The Chargers (2.5, 2.3) took their lumps in losses to Walled Loke Western and Farmington Harrison the lost two weeks, but the prospects for a Churchill wictory have returned. The Chargers will have to play well, but they can boat Walled Lake Central (2.5, 2.5) if they do. PICKS: The Vikings steal a win on the road.

Liv. Stevenson at Ply, Canton: The Spartons (3-4, 2-3) recovered from their seven-turnover debacte and loss to Farmington to post a solid, 29-7 win over Wellidd Lake Central. Stevenson topes to finish with a three game winder street with the sevensor of the sevensor of

N. Formington at I.V. Franklin II's time battle of last-place forms in the WLAA divisional crossover games. The undivisional crossover games. The undivisional crossover games. The undivisional crossover games the extensional content of the sector of the sector of the gamesteed to who no the sector of the gamesteed to who no the sector of the gamesteed to who no the sector of the content of the sector of t r Adla). N. Farmington at Liv. Franklin: it's the

SATURDAY GAMES (all times 1 p.m. unless noted)

John Glonn at Farmington Harrison: For Observerland eld-timers, which includes writers O'Meara and Emons, as well as coaches Gordon and Herrington, it's just like, well, did times this week, Harrison and Glenn have met to decide Harrison and Glerin have met to decide the WLAA champloship is it. Himes—the last in 1993 when Harrison won in double overtime at Glerin, 7-6. The Hawks have won the last four champloship meetings; the Rockets won the first two In 1985 and 187. The last time first two In 1985 and 187. The last time these teams played was the second week of the 1994 season, Harrison won that meeting, too, 28-10. PICKS; No. 13 is a lucky number for the Hawks.

51, Agothe vs. 51, Alphansus at Drbn. Fordson: The Aggles (5-2, 4-1) return to Catholic Leogue action and need a victory to keep pace with Cardinal Mooney.

The two are tied for first place in the D-Section. This Aggles were reciling after a 37-0, non-league loss to Class BB Cran-brosk, but the Arrows are more their speed. St. Alphonaus (5-2, 3-2) was shellacked Saturday by Mooney, 46-7. PICKS: The Aggles rebound with a victo-

PICKS: The Aggles rebound with a victory.

**Linheran Wastland at 0.P. Liggott, 2
p.m.: The Warriors (0.7. 0.0) will try again for their first win against Metro Contenence opponent Grosse Pointe University Liggott (4.3. 3.3). In games last week, Lutheran Westland lost to Hom-tramek, 59-26; Lutheran Northwest defeated Liggett, 3.0-9. PICKS: The Knights keep the Variors winiess.

**Reddred Ce v. U-D Feath, 7 p.m. at 0.0 cm lock by the Catholic League West championship with a victory over the Cubs (3.4, 1.2). Thor produce Ce clebhered DeLaSalle in a first division crossover game Studydy. U-D Jesulis which lost 24-21 to Dishee with some good town PICKS: CE can gas up the bus for a tip to the Silverdome next.

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Bishop Borgess vs. A.P. Cabrini, 7 p.m. at Downther Community Center: Borgess (43, 33) is having a good year more than the community Center and the community Center and the community Center and the community Center and the community of the communit

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Heights Stevenson) in the former and Jamie Mazurek (Maple City-Glen Lake) in the latter. Steele finished with 2,389 yards, Mazurek with 30 receiving

Mazurek with ou received, touchdowns.
Bryant also has 114 career catches, placing him fourth on the all-time list behind Steele, who had 158.
Hoad, the tight end, has 13 receptions for 289 yards and three TDs, Davis nine for 170.
Davis is one of five players with one TD catch

one TD catch.

Harrison quarterback Dave
Pesci has completed 61 percent
of his passes (63-0f-103) for 1,217
yards and 17 touchdowns. He's
second only to Mill Coleman (20)
on the all-time Harrison list for

regular-season TD tosses,
"Other years you had to deal
with a Granger at tailback or

Mill Coleman at quarterback," Gordon said. "I think this team may be more explosive than those teams, simply because they have more weapons they spread all over the field."

were eliminated from puryon contention.
They finish the season against two teams with post-season aspirations —
Monroe (6-1, 5-1) and undefeated Westland John Glenn, The Trajans edged

avoid the upset.

Garden City at Allen Park: The

FRIDAY GAMES (all times 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

has more weapons they spread all over the fold."

The Hawks have still rushed for more yards (1,329 as opposed to 1,342 passing). Matt Reed has 202 yards, Kovin Woods 2320 and Blake Ashley 202. Each has secred four TDs. Matt Turney, the backup to Ashley at fullback, has carried just 14 times but has secred five TDs.

I think most of the recognition has gone to their passing game, but its still a Harrison team and they still can run it, Tordon said.

Herrington said the '98 Hawks are comparable to the '88 team that averaged 41.3 points through 13 games and won the

Class B state championship.

"We have been pretty much a big-play offense, and we have some big-play players in Ricky, Andre and Hoad," he said. "The 28 team) was pretty much the same thing—a good passing offense with good receivers like we have now.

"Pesci is outstanding at quarterback. He has great feet and is very intelligent. He throws to the right people and is very accurate."

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The Rockets have some big-pley players of their own. Tail-back Reggie Spearmon has rushed for 1,260 yards and 20 touchdowns on 180 carries, and wide receiver Eric Jones has caught 22 passes for 496 yards, which includes some rushing rankow; and scored five turchyardage, and scored five touch-downs. Quarterback Nick Hudson has completed 60 percent of

son has completed 60 percent of his pass attempts.

"Obviously, we have to stop Reggie Spearmon; he's the best back in our league," Herrington said. "We have to stop him and not let them control the football. "When they need a big play, they can go to Eric Jones. We have to make sure we know where he is all the time and make sure he's covered."

As all conches hope their teams will, the Rockets have managed to win all their games while improving from the start of the season, according to Gordon. "We think we started slow," he said. "We didn't play as well as we would have liked early, but the last month I think we've gotten better. But we're smart enough to know we haven't played anyone of Harrisons caliber either.

"I just think, at some positions, we were really quite young, and some of the guys have really stepped up their play."

Defensively, Glenn is led by linebackers Jake Tharp (6-2, 225) and Bobby Hagelthorn (6-1, 196), free safety John Pettit, noseguard Rob Fant (6-10, 200) and end Teon Price (6-1, 210). "I think we're very comparable," Herrington said. "We're about the last two teams in the league to run I (formation). Most teams have gone to the wing-T. On defense, we're a little different than they are, but both are kinda rooted in the 52 defense. "I think their defense is very quick. The noseguard is a 200-pounder who can move, and they have excellent linebackers. Jake Tharp is one of the best in the largue; Bobby Hagelthorn is their capitain and is very active."

They pretty much look like all the Glenn teams, because they have a great coaching stoff that puts people in the right positions. Like us, they do pretty-tions.

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much the same things they did back in '93 and '94." Hoad (6-1, 208), an inside linebacker, is Harrison's leading tackler with 69. Others with 30-plus stops are end Zach Burton (6-4, 200), linebacker Steve Migliore (5-11, 225), noseguard Bryan McGhee (6-1, 278) and tackle Matt Turony (6-2, 220). Matt Turney (6-2, 220).

SCORE LINE

FARMINGTON HARRISON Harrison 48, Oxford O Harrison 47, Farmington O Harrison 35, Northville O Harrison 41, Livonia Franklin 6 Harrison 35, W.L. Western 13 Harrison 49, Plymouth Canton 0 Harrison 54, Livonia Churchill 10 Harrison 309, apparents 29

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN Glenn 24, Detroit Cooley 6 Glenn 33, Plymouth Canton 7 Glenn 20, W.L. Central 0 Glenn 14, Farmington 7 Glenn 25, Livonia Stevenson 6 Glenn 28, Plymouth Salem 19 Glenn 55, North Farmington 7 Glenn 199, opponents 52

WLAS CHAMPIONSHIPS

1982: Harrison 14, Plymouth Salen 1983: Harrison 39, W.L. Central 0 1984: Harrison 31, Fermington 3 1985: John Glenn 28, Harrison 7 1988: Harrison 34, N. Farmington 7 1987: John Glenn 14, Harrison 6 1988: Harrison 45, John Glenn 7 1989: Harrison 23, John Glenn 15 1992; Harrison 23, Jahn Glenn 15 1990; Harrison 29, Jahn Glenn 0 1991; Harrison 20, N. Farmington 14 1992; W.L. Western 10, John Glenn 6 1993; Harrison 7, John Glenn 6, 201 1994; Harrison 31, Liv. Stevenson 20 1995; Harrison 31, Liv. Stevenson 18 1996; John Glenn 24, W.L. Western O 1997: Harrison 27, W.L. Central 6

PLAYOFFS

MHSAA FOOTBALL CLASS AA REGION 2

1. Romeo (7-0) 101.714 2. Westland Glenn (7-0) 100.571

3. Brighton (6-1) 90.095 4. Lake Orion (6-1) 90.000

5. Monroe (6-1) 86.429

G. Clarkston (5-2) 81.571

7. W.L. Western (6-1) 78.571 8. South Lyon (5-2) 72.381 9. Temp.-Bedford (5-2) 66.571 10. AA Pioneer (4-3) 61.548

CLASS AA REGION 3

1. Troy (7-0) 107.429 1.Det. Henry Ford (7-0) 107.429 3. Catholic Central (6-0) 96.762

4. Detroit Coss Tech (6-1) 89.262

5. Dearborn Fordson (6-1) 86.429 6. Birm. Brother Rice (6-1) 83.119 7. Detroit Redford (5-2) 72.429

B. Detroit Mumford (4-3) 61.476

9. Detroit Cooley (4-3) 59,429

10. West Bloomfield (4-3) 55.000 CLASS A REGION 3

1. Farm, Harrison (7-0) 104,000 Dearborn (6-1) 92.143

3. Radford Union (7-0) 86.857

4.'Allen Park (6-1) 83.143

5. Saline (6-1) 81.857 6. Hartland (5-2) 73.881

7. Fenton (5-2) 73.143

8, Waterf, Kettering (5-2) 70,000 9. Ypsi Lincoln (5-2) 58.286

10. Ypsilanti (4-3) 49,429

CLASS CC REGION 4

1, Capac (7-0) 67,238

2. Montrose (6-1) 61.286 3. Pigeon Laker (6:1) 56.429

4. Almont (6-1) 54.571

5. Goodrich (6-1) 54.429 6. Riv. Gab. Richard (6-1) 54.143 7. Clinton (5-2) 53.714

8. Clarenceyllie (5-2) 50.714 9. Napoleon (5-2) 50.000 10. East Jackson (5-2) 46.857

CLASS D REGION 4 1. Holy Redeemer (4-3) 35.905 2. C.L. St. Clement (4-3) 35.000

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