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GC East Has Most In Free Scoring Duel

THURSTON'S Bob Ghannam shakes off a tackler and breaks loose for a long gain after taking a pass from Quarterback Bob Graustein. The Ea-gles had an easy time whipping Oak Park. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe).

Churchill Sneaks

Beating The Tom-Toms

There's one sure way to learn what's happening in the high school sports world, especially among the 21 schools in Observerland that participate in every possible type of competition...that starts in early September and doesn't end until mid-June.

How? Just sit down at any gathering of coaches and athletic directors and you'll get more information in an hour or so than you can by making a multitude of phone calls. of phone calls.

There's something about personal contact and a bagfest over coffee and rolls that finds everyone chipping in which his thoughts on the football season, compring in which instructions in the rotorial geason, cross country, golf (which is now played in the fall as a varsity sport), the Tigers, the Lions, and Red Wings (heaven help Ned Harkness if he discovers how some of the coaches feet), the Pistons, U-M, Michigan State, the state of the state and the Union... experts in

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For the Observer newspapers, the coaches give you their views of the various prep football teams and players. They know from study which are the top teams and they can run down a list of outstanding players in the area that appears endless.

All of this we discovered when some 20 members of high schools contrast selfs wisted the new

members of high school sports staffs visited the new Observer facilities to meet and greet Tom Donoghue, the new Observer sports editor, and also to tour the

They liked what they saw, enjoyed sitting around on a Saturday morning, talked of the games the night before, discussed players, told of the plans at their school for the remainder of the year and promised Churchill evened its Western Six record at 2.2 with Phil Damasks coring the game's, only touchdown in a 7-0 squeaker over Walled Lake Western.
The Chargers marched deep into Walled Lake territory on numerous drives but could only push the ball over late in the first quarter. come back.

There has been an invitation extended for athletic staffs of all the schools to attend the Saturday breakfasts. A second one is slated for next Saturday between the hours of 9-11:30 a.m. and we hope those that couldn't make it last Saturday will drop in this

the first quarter.

DAMASKA CAPPED a 60 yard march with 29 yard gallop on a belly laye. Ernie Comini converted and Churchill led 7-0.

Churchill look the second half kickoff and drove 82 yards to the Walled Lake three. They used up 84; minutes only to have the parade halted on a fumble.

The Chargers regained possession and marched right back down field. It was a fourth down play on the four and quarterback Britan Kelly fell inches short of a first down on a broken play patters.

After a Walled Lake punt the Chargers with the possibility that he may be converted the the control of the part of the pa

Drew is listed as No. 3 in a tine crop of signal callers with the possibility that he may be converted to a linebacker or a tight end come spring drills next year. After what happened Saturday when the Irish were upset by Southern California, perhaps Coach Ara Parseghian will be devoting more and more time on reports of the progress of the freshmen quarterbacks.

Asked which of the Gow brothers, Mike or After a Walled Lake punt he Chargers came back to the three only to be stopped on a goal line stand. With four minutes remaining, Western's Frank Skorupski broke loose from his 18 and was off and running. It appeared that he was going

Craig, was the better, Holland had his usual conserva-

is appeared that he was going to go all the way but Charger Rich Barker came from the opposite side of the field and caught Skorupski from behind on the 30.

tive answer.

"They are different types of players," he said.

"Mike was the kind of ball carrier who zigged and zagged, showed you a leg and that scooted past before you could make a tackle.

"Craig doesn't try to elude anyone. He prefers to smash into tacklers, bowl them over and keep on going. Mike was great on defense as a safety but Craig is just a great in linebacking. Det's just say the Gow brothers are two terrific football players and I'm glad that we had them at North Farmington. that we had them at North Farmington

"I expect we'll be hearing quite a bit about both during their collegiate careers."

Strongest football team in Observerland this

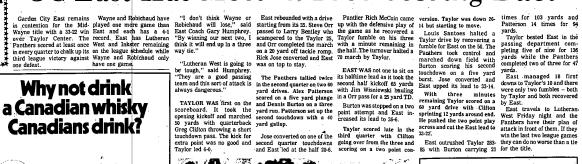
"WE WERE really excited about this one," said Charger Coach Ken Kaestner. "This league is strong defensively, but we just can't score. We have given up only 38 points this year but lost three games."

If you want to listen to the players on the various teams who get around to numerous games, it has to be Redford Union.

Churchill stands 3-3 with non-league games remaining with Utica Eishenhower and Livonia Franklin. The players say RU had everything. A great pair of ball carriers in Tom Burke and Tom Tullock, a fine passer in Glenn Richmond and a forward wall Churchill sophomore, Brian Kelly, started his first game at quarterback with QB Bob Blaise out with a separated choulder. that make you shudder at the thought of going

Brother Rice is their second choice. "Team with everything," is their description.

Time will tell if the players are right. At the moment we rate all three of equal strength. Each is a standout in a rough, tough league and each is mowing foes down like hay before a mowing machine.



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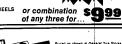
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