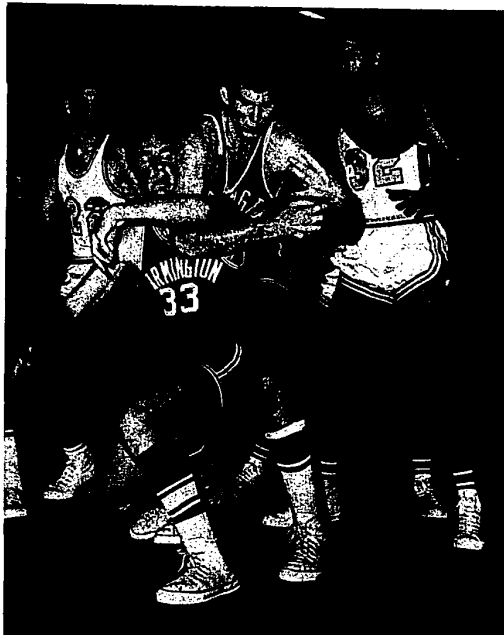


# N. Farmington's Late Rally Sinks Lahser Cagers



WRESTLING MATCH? It appears that way from this shot of action during the Bentley-Farmington basketball game. Kevin Hilderbrandt (33) and Mark Donoghue (5) became entangled in this fashion when they reached for a loose ball. That's Dave Sterling (22) and Lou Lovett (32), of Bentley, looking on. The Livonians turned the season opener into a victory. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

Jay Hazelroth -- the toast of North Farmington High's basketball team. Little wonder. Hazelroth was the man of the hour in the final moments Friday night when the Raiders

roared to a 58-54 victory over Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Midway through the last period, Lahser commanded a 54-50 edge.

But in the remaining time, North Farmington outscored its

rival, 8-0.

Hazelroth started the comeback with a basket. His close-checking mates then forced Lahser into a mistake and North Farmington got the ball back. Once more Hazelroth converted and that tied the score at 54-54.

THAT'S THE way matters stood until the last minute when Jim Douglas broke the tie with a free throw. Lahser came down floor and missed on two shots and then got the ball back before the Raiders stole the ball and got it to Hazelroth who hit on a three-point play a second before the final buzzer went off.

Hazelroth with 18 points was

the top man for the winners while Kikka and Comstock had 11.

LAHSE LED, 12-11, and held a 29-28 edge at halftime and went into the third period with a four-point edge.

The victory started the season on a happy note for North Farmington whose defensive play in the final period especially impressed Coach Richard Wilson.

"Imagine holding an opponent scoreless for almost half a period! It doesn't happen very often in basketball now days," Wilson said.

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## Stevenson Picks Thurston Apart

Bing, Bang and boom.

That's the way it was for Stevenson High's basketball team against Thurston Friday night.

The Livonians engineered a 67-59 victory and a good share of the orchids belong to the job Stevenson played turned in on defense.

The Spartans held Thurston to eight points in the first quarter... 10 in the third and 12 in the fourth.

"If we can do that well the rest of the season, we'll be in great shape," declared Stevenson Coach George Van Wagner.

JERRY DETTER, one of the stars of Stevenson's unbeaten-undefeated football team ripped in 11 of his 15 points in the first period to send Stevenson off to a flying start.

By the period's end it was 16-0 for Stevenson. Halftime saw Stevenson holding a 38-17 bulge.

Bud Daniels collected 10 points and Pat Swift and Ted

Exarhos eight each for the winners. Larry Marshall was the top man for Thurston with 10 points, one more than teammate Dave Foss.

Thurston also bowed on Saturday night when beaten by Cherry Hill, 85-67. Cherry Hill took a 53-47 halftime edge and pulled away after the intermission.

Larry Marshall netted 20 points and Gordon Essex 19 in a losing cause.

ANN ARBOR -- Michigan's new basketball coach, Johnny Orr, played high school, college, AAU, service and professional basketball and has coached on the high school, service and college levels.

## Sports Briefs

ANN ARBOR -- Fred Snowden, Michigan's new assistant basketball coach and first full-time Negro assistant coach in Big Ten basketball, had a record of 187 wins and 8 losses in 11 seasons of coaching junior varsity and varsity teams at Detroit Northwestern High School.

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## West Beats Willow Run Swimmers

John Skinner and Jim Werley each won two events as Garden City West's swimming team beat Willow Run, 73-30, in a non-league meet.

Skinner won the 200 and 400-yard freestyle races while Werley took the individual medley and the butterfly.

Paul Joseph won the 50-yard free, Rich Miller the 100-yard free, Bob Yack the backstroke and Gene Sellers the diving for West, which also copped the two relays.

## Death Hits Brieske Family Second Time

For the second time in two weeks death struck the Brieske family.

First it claimed James, former football star at the University of Michigan who was known as "Automatic Jim" because of his ability to kick the extra points after touchdowns.

Then, last Sunday it claimed Jim's father, Frank, who resided in Harbor Beach. Funeral services will be held on Thursday morning at the Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach, with burial later in the day at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Saginaw.

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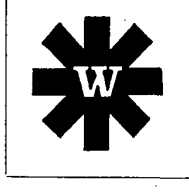
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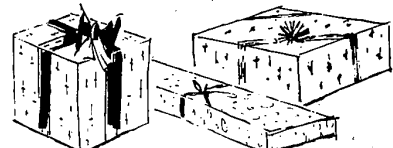
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