

Falcons Lose To Bentley, Swamp Rival Raiders

The harsh shrill of a referee's whistle meant the difference between a weekend sweep and a split as the Farmington Falcons dropped a heartbreaker to Bentley, 44-43, but rebounded the following evening to bounce crosstown rival North Farmington, 71-55.

In a game marred by numerous errors, the Birds rallied to a 34-28 lead at the end of three quarters Friday, but squandered it after All-Conference guard Greg Dorow was benched with four fouls. Dorow came back, and with 20 seconds remaining, sank a hook shot which seemingly gave Farmington the win, making the score 45-42.

But a referee whistled a "walking" violation, which nullified the basket and gave the Bulldogs possession of the ball. The questionable call brought Coach Jack Quiggle and Falcon fans off their seats in protest, but in vain. Bentley guard Greg Coleman swished a jump shot to win the shocker. The opening loss marked the thirteenth time in 14 seasons that the Bulldogs have plucked the Falcons' feathers.

Displaying a duel Jekyll-Hyde personality in the first two contests, Farmington was a new team against North Farmington—controlling the boards and scoring at will. And a tough zone defense prevented the Raiders from mounting a bit of an offensive threat.

Four players hit double figures in the rout, led once again by Greg Dorow with 21 points. Center Mike Ames knocked in 17 points, George Grimala tallied 13, and Al Kikka contributed 12.

Farmington jumped to an early 14-11 lead at the end of the first eight minutes. Ames, All-Conference selection last season, broke things open in the second period. The "Big A" rebounded with ferocity and chipped in nine points to lead a Falcon bout which ended in a comfortable 39-23 lead. In all, the 6'3" Ames grabbed 15 rebounds in the first half.

The Raiders of the North managed to trim the margin to an 11 point difference, but faltered badly in the final quarter as the Birds walked away to win their first victory of the season in handsome fashion. Mark Faller led the generally ineffective North offensive with 16 points.

This Friday, the Falcons lost highly touted Pontiac Northern in the first Inter-Lakes Conference game of the year. The Huskies, perennial contenders for the title, have four returning starters—virtually the same squad which fell just two points short of shattering a Farmington Conference Championship last season.

Students Attend Honors Day on U-M Campus

On Saturday, December 3, five juniors and seniors from Farmington Senior High School Concert Band attended the First Annual Wind Instrument Honors Day at the University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor. The musical activities of the day were held at the new North Campus School of Music and were mainly centered around clinics and workshops, which answered many of the questions from the participating musicians.

The students who attended the honors day program, chaperoned by R. H. Zimmerman, Farmington Senior High Band Director, were Patricia Babcock, saxophone; Sue Dever, Lynn Dickinson, Bob Harrison, clarinet; and Brian Wainless, trombone.



IN THEIR FIRST basketball collision of the season with North Farmington, Farmington High School emerged victorious with a score of 78 to 55.



NORTH FARMINGTON CAGERS make a ringer in Saturday night's game against their local rivals. The basketball season is off to a rousing official start.

N.F. Students Opera Extras

Assisting the N.Y.C. Opera Company, appearing at the Masonic Auditorium, were several North Farmington male students.

The following classmates were walk-ons in Puccini's "La Tosca" Friday, December 1, and Verdi's "La Traviata" Saturday, December 2: Robin Murphy, Ramsey Gregory, Dan Erickson, Jim Rulapaugh, Paul Mingo, Hub Copp, Tim Lambert, John Dunsmoor, Tim Shaw, Jack Threlkeld, Neil Steinman, Greg Oswald, Glen Pierce, James Jentz, Warren White, Bill Erie, and Jim MacColl.

Henry Elected Vice Chairman

O. Herbert Henry, of 34043 Schulte Drive, has been elected a district vice chairman of the North Trails District of the Detroit Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Henry is assistant merchandising manager, new trucks, Chevrolet, Motor Division of General Motors.

The North Trails District, with 5,200 Cub and Boy Scouts and Explorers in 155 units, covers the Birmingham, Bloomfield, Beverly Hills, Berkley, Franklin, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park and Southfield areas.

'Li'l Falcons' Crush NF JV

The "Little Falcons" in the style of their big brothers, came back Saturday night to soundly defeat the North Farmington J.V. squad, 49-37. The previous night they were crushed by Bentley, 62-45.

Last Friday night, the J.V. of Farmington really took a beating from the Bulldogs. Bentley's starting lineup had players six feet or over while Farmington's average height was only about 5 feet 8 inches. This disadvantage made it practically impossible for Farmington to take more than one shot before losing the ball to their opponent.

The game was relatively close in the first half. Farmington always trailing by two or three points. In the final minutes of the half, Bentley widened their lead and held a 23-18 score at half time.

However, Saturday's game was a different story. The Falcon J.V. squad played controlled ball against North Farmington. North maintained a 3-4 point lead throughout the first half. Farmington took advantage of sloppy playing by the North J.V. in the fourth quarter and were ahead by as much as 14 points at one time.

Joe Himmelsbach and Mark Donoghue played a good game, getting 12 and 11 points, respectively. But it was guard Ken Schulte who was really outstanding. Only 5 feet 4 inches, he was the team's high scorer with 15 points.

Cville Trojans Win Opener

By RHODA WEISS

The Clarenceville Trojans varsity basketball team started the season off the right way by dumping the Crestwood Chargers, 62-53.

The Trojans pulled ahead in the first quarter, 16-11 and increased the halftime score to 34-25. With only 2 1/2 minutes left to play in the last period, the Chargers came within one point of the Trojans. But three fouls on the part of Crestwood in the remaining seconds gave the Trojans 51 points, putting the game out of reach.

Four Clarenceville players scored in double figures. Grabbing high-point honors was John Thompson with 17 on five baskets, and 7 for 8 foul shot, followed by captain Ronnie Ray, adding 16. Jim Amick netted 15 and Mark Diwendorf had 10. Other Trojan scorers included Mike Nye-3, and David Wilson-2.

Amick led in rebounds with 15 with Ray accounting for 14 and Thompson having 12.

Diwendorf, a transfer student from New York, is a welcome new comer to the team. Ray and Nye are both starting their third year on varsity.

The team's new coach, Gene Scholes, is not really new to these boys. For the past two years, he has coached the junior varsity squads and in 1960, he was a member of Clarenceville's last championship team.

The junior varsity downed Crestwood's reserves, 48-45. They were led in scoring by Dave Brandemuhl, Kerry Rukin, Gary Respeck, Art Maki, and Mike Conway.

Ski Buffs May Set State Record

Record numbers of mid-west ski buffs are ready to flock to Michigan winter resorts during the 1966-67 season, provided the state gets a favorable assist from the weatherman, according to the Michigan Tourist Council.

William T. McGraw, Tourist Council director, said that Council field representatives had direct contact with more than 15,000 winter sports enthusiasts at recent mid-west ski and vacation shows in Chicago and Cleveland, an increase of some 30 percent over the same shows last year.

"This interest, coupled with early returns from our advertising and publicity programs, indicates continued high interest in Michigan as a winter vacation destination," McGraw said. "With favorable conditions for winter sports activity, we expect that the 1966-67 season will be a good one."

The Tourist Council estimates that some 250,000 persons will spend about \$28 million to ski in Michigan this winter compared to 210,000 persons and \$21.5 million last year. In addition, many more will participate in such other winter vacation activities as hunting, ice fishing and outdoor festivals.

McGraw said that some 89,000 persons attended the Chicago and Cleveland shows, an increase of about 75 percent over last year. Not all of them stopped at the Tourist Council booth, but more than 13,000 requested information and obtained copies of the 1966-67 Michigan Winter Sports Map and other state and regional vacation-planning literature.

Swim Lessons At Cville Pool

Swimming instruction for boys and girls is being offered at the Clarenceville Pool. Registrations are being accepted until December 16. The fee for 10 lessons is \$5. Call 476-2770 for details.

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