

Bentley Opens Big Lead

"We're sitting on top of the world . . . How true as far as Bentley high basketball team is concerned. Bidding to regain the Suburban Six League title it relinquished last year to Trenton, Bentley now finds itself with a two-game bulge over its nearest rival and the worst of the schedule history. In what shaped up as the "big one," Bentley showed its class last Friday night in downing Trenton, 75-69.

A victory for Trenton would have evened the race. But now it's Bentley with a 5-0 record while Trenton and Allen Park stand at 3-2.

"What's more just four more conference games remain. "We're in good shape in the standings," said coach George Felles of Bentley. "But we have to guard

against letting down. "Everybody we face from now on will be gaining for us." Mike McCauley and Greg Macy each dropped in six

points in the first quarter to shoot Bentley out on top of Trenton, 22-16.

The Bentley lead swelled to eight points by halftime. Then after the intermission, Trenton began picking away and finally with a couple minutes gone in the third period, Trenton took the lead.

But Bentley rebounded with McCauley, Greg Coleman and Larry Grimm leading the way to regain the lead for keeps.

Free throws proved the deciding factor as Trenton made 28 baskets to Bentley's 25. In free throw shooting, Bentley netted 25 to 13 for Trenton.

McCauley with 10 baskets and two free throws for 22 points topped the winners. Macy chipped in 17 while Grimm and Coleman had ten each and Ed Ryan and Ken Bollin eight each.

Fouls troubled Bollin and he sat out most of the first half after picking up three foul personals. Bob Eldridge with 22 points led the losers.

Prep Cage Schedule

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Clarencville at Brighton
Allen Park at Plymouth
Redford Union at Bentley
Thurston at Franklin
Stevenson at Walpole Lake
G'n City W. at Cherry Hill
O.L. Sorrows at St. Benedict
Glenn at Groves
Taylor C'ty at Garden City E.
North Farmington at Oak Pk.
Farmington at Pontiac North
Ann Arbor St. Thomas at St. Agatha.

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Northville at Clarencville
Plymouth at Farmington, 2 p.m.
Southfield at N. Farmington

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really small are the capsules like the Friendship 7, which carried John Glenn—and the others which carried our men into space.

A traveler, in such a vehicle, is jammed in; and when you get two men in there . . . well, it's simply astounding to say the least.

In the same building you see the first airplanes that took off: Lindbergh's famed craft "The Spirit of St. Louis," and the "Winnie Mae," which circled the world in something like eight or nine days. These planes, when stacked against the modern jets, look like postage stamps.

To tour the Institute in an hour is an impossibility. You should spend three or four days there. Up the hill and at the end of Pennsylvania Ave., majestically stands our Capitol.

You drop by to say hello to an old friend, Senator Phil Hart, and he says to be sure to say hello to another Phil, by the name of Power, who runs the Observer Newspapers.

Forgetting politics, forgetting party lines, the Senator has to be one of the nicest guys you'll meet anywhere. He always has been a great sportsman. There were those years when he had an interest in the Tigers and the Lions.

Sen. Hart knows about the problems the Lions have had this past year, about the trials and tribulations being experienced by the Pistons . . . by the skid the Red Wings have hit this season.

And he knows, too, about the crisis which makes up the more important matters of life—Vietnam, taxes and everything else.

At the other end of Pennsylvania, there's the White House.

If you arise early you can visit a few of the rooms in our President's home. You wander about and you know that both Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are at home. The guards tell you so.

But you never get a chance to meet your host or hostess. They're much too busy.

If you're lucky, you might catch a glimpse of them, but that's about all.

Not too far from the White House stands the Washington and Lincoln Monuments and you're just a couple of blocks away from the building which issues no samples—the Bureau of Engraving where much of our money is printed.

On the way to the airport, you spot Arlington National Cemetery and drive close to the Pentagon where even in the early hours of the morning the lights are on.

You can't help but wonder, what's going on inside that building. Has something new happened in Vietnam which might spell good or bad for us?

Minutes later, you're airborne out of Washington. You stare back at the sprawling city and the governmental buildings which stand in one complex.

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Stevenson Soft Touch For Pontiac

The Stevenson high basketball team remains winless in Interlakes League play. Latest school to beat Stevenson was Pontiac Northern by an 81-47 count last Friday.

The victory helped Pontiac Northern remain a game behind Farmington in the race for league honors.

Bud Daniels and Paul Tom, nemesis had 12 points each for the losers, and Jim Olsen had 11. Mike Clancy pumped in 22 points to top the victors.

Pontiac rolled ahead, 26-11, after one quarter and held a 49-26 lead at half time.

The Pontiac reserves won, 83-31, as Paul Valt Wagner had 12 for the losers.

Only 15 seconds now remained and it made no difference in the fading moments. Stakias with 22 points on 10 baskets and three foul shots paced the winners. John Davis and Luitbrand each added 17 points while Kubik gave Plymouth a fourth man in double figures with 11 points.

Bjerke split his efforts evenly. He had 32 points overall—16 in each half.

He helped the RU team to take a 15-14 lead after one quarter and stretch the advantage to 35-31 at half time.

In the third period, Davis and Stakias combined to bring Plymouth back on even terms as the Rocks outscored RU, 13-9.

Each side made 18 points in the final period. Plymouth's reserve also won, 46-40.

Trojans Up Mat Streak

Top this for a record. Clarencville High's wrestling team has extended its two-year, unbeaten dual meet victory streak to 22 in a row. Highland Park and Northville joined the Clarencville list of victims last week.

Clarencville trounced the Highland Parkers, 35-12, and Northville, 24-19.

Dave Kalpio (145 pounds), Steve Clark (154 pounds), and Craig McDougall (165) are unbeaten in action for Clarencville this season.

REAL DRIVER: That's Dale Bjerke (20) of Redford Union as he sweeps past Plymouth's Nate Luitbrand to score. Plymouth, however, roared in overtime to win the game.

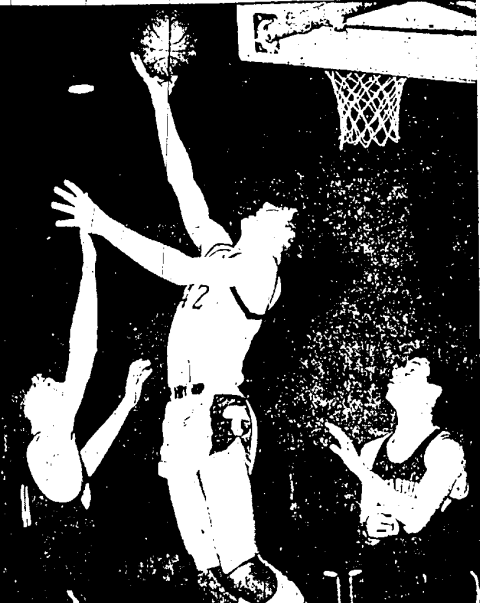
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FANCY SHOOTING: Dick Wagner (42) of Farmington goes up for a back-handed layup. 96 points to win in a breeze. as two rivals from North Farmington

Rocks Edge R. Union In Overtime Battle

Talk about your basketball thrillers. Plymouth and Redford Union highs had one last Friday night.

It required overtime before Plymouth could squeeze out a 73-70 verdict and post its first Suburban Six League win of the season.

Redford Union, meantime, still is to win after the first round of action in the league.

Once more it wasn't the fault of Leland Bjerke that RU failed to cash a victory. Bjerke delivered two baskets in the final half minute

Falcon '5' Battles in 'Big One'

The Interlakes League basketball title could be decided Friday night when defending champion Farmington invades Pontiac Northern.

It'll be the battle of the league powers, since Farmington tops the race with a 4-0 record, just one game ahead of Northern.

If Farmington wins, the Falcons will all but have the flag wrapped up. A Northern win would knot the race and likely produce co-champs.

Farmington "tuned up" for Northern by beating Roseville, 61-56, in a nonleague last Friday night. It was a strange sort of a victory.

The Falcons rolled ahead, 16-33, after one quarter and led 36-21, at halftime by as many as 16 points in the third quarter.

Then Roseville put on the power and twice in the final period managed to pull even with Farmington.

But with the chips down, a three-point play by Greg Brown put Farmington back in front for keeps and the Falcons managed to squish any further attempts by Roseville to engineer an upset.

Dorow with 15 points and Ames and Kikkka with 14 set the pace for the Falcons. Kikkka notched 12 of his points in the first half.

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