

# Squeaker to Falcons; Then Raiders Score

Imagine a basketball game with neither team scoring for six minutes!

That's what happened last Friday night when Farmington slipped past Waterford, 49-46, to run its Waterford League record to 5-0 in the Falcon's drive to a repeat championship.

Just two more wins will assure Farmington at least a title share. If one of those triumphs comes over Pontiac Northern, the outright flag would fly over Farmington.

Coch Jack Quiggle tried a surprise on Waterford. He had the Falcons for the first time play a man-to-man defense instead of a zone.

The strategy worked. In fact, Waterford became so shocked that it went into the long holiday stall in the third period and as a result each team scored only eight points in the quarter.

The game was a tight one all the way. Farmington's biggest lead stood at six points.

But with five minutes to go, the Falcons found themselves four points down. It was here that Mike Ames and Greg Dorow rallied the Falcons and coach Quiggle expressed delight in the way his forces handled themselves with the pressure on.

With 30 seconds left, Dorow delivered what proved the deciding basket when he dove for a score that made it 49-46. A few seconds later, Al Kikka of Farmington was fouled, but when his charity miss, little time remained. Quiggle directed that his charges stand aside and let Waterford go in for a basket. "Don't foul," Quiggle pleaded.

His men followed orders. As Waterford tallied a meaningless basket, the game ended and Farmington had advanced a notch nearer the championship.

Ames and Dorow each finished with 14 points. Kikka had 10, six on free throws. Tom Wirtz tallied four, Fritz Simons three, Doug Hamilton and Mike Lynott two each for the victors.

For Waterford, Hill had 13 to lead the way.

Dorow was out of action the next evening when Farmington suffered a 53-53 reversal at the hands of North Farmington in their annual city battle.

The teams fought on even terms until the third period when North Farmington pulled away to a five-point edge with some balanced scoring by Mike McCoy, Jim Rulapough and Ron Lutz. Each had four points in the period.

Then in the final period, North Farmington kept its surge to win with no trouble as Rulapough topped four scorers in double figures. Ames had 19 for the losers who played minus Dorow, who was out with an injured shoulder.

# FLAG CHANCES REDUCED

## East Suffers Jolt

There's still hope and even time, but the latter is starting to run out on Garden City High's basketball team in its bid to take the Mid-Wayne League title.

A 90-77 reversal at the hands of Inkster last Friday night dropped two games behind the Tigers, while East was to meet on Tuesday in a makeup game.

# Observing Sports

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WHO'S GOT IT: Bud Daniels (54) of Stevenson hauls out a rebound with the help of teammate Mark Ridenour (10) against East Detroit. But strong East Detroit emerged as the winners.

# 1st Half Spells Trojans Doom

In two departments, the Clarencville high basketball team came out "a winner" against Clarkston last Friday night.

The Trojans managed to reduce by 15 points the out-pout fashioned by Clarkston as Dan Fife, Clarencville also copped the battle of the second half.

But since basketball is decided on the basis of four quarters, in high school, it was Clarkston by 59-53 when the final score was posted. But the Trojans, who had an 8-0 record in the Wayne-Oakland League.

Clarencville just couldn't get untracked in the first half.

The Trojans managed only six points on three baskets in the first period. Meantime, Clarkston rolled in 19.

Clarkston duplicated 19 points in the second period and reached the half with a 28-18 lead.

# No Halting Matmen At Clarencville

There's no halting Clarencville High's wrestling express.

Clarencville now has gone through 24 straight matches without a defeat, adding two more victories last week in beating Franklin, 35-11, and then finishing first in a quadrangular meet.

In the latter event, the Trojans scored 183 points to Northville's 170. Bloomfield Hills' 73 and Clarkston's 48.

Seven Clarencville entries emerged as champs. They were Brian Levy (103 lbs.), Don Willard (111), Ray Weber (127), Carl Watkins (133), Dave Kaijio (138), Steve Clark (145), and Greg McDougall (154).

# Bentley Breezes in Mat Meet

Bentley High wrestlers maintained their hold on second place in the Suburban Six League dual meet stand-ins with a 45-9 victory over Allen Park in the final home appearance.

Bentley will move into the Suburban Six League championship meet in another week.

The results of the Allen Park match.

95-pounds, Thomas (B) pinned Cotter, 128; 103 - Helm in second; 112 - Munro (B) won on forfeit; 120 - Roberts (B) tied. Schultz, 5-5; 127 - Begdorin (B) defeated Weyand, 4-0; 133 - Reynolds (B) defeated Bentley, 10-2.

138 - Regan (B), won on default; 145 - Dow (B) tied Rempage, 1-1; 154 - Wilbur (B) pinned Shepherd, 2:18; 165 - MacGregor (B) pinned Schmitt, 3:31; 168 - Pavlinski (B) pinned Glove, 4:38; and heavyweight - Roberts (B) pinned by Bowman (AP), 3:42.

# RU Swimmers Fall to Trenton

Paul Clancy in the diving and Mark Favor in the butterfly emerged for Redford Union's only victory as the RU swimmers lost to Trenton, 72-33.

The victory enabled Trenton to remain unbeaten in Suburban Six League action. Jerry Halton took a second for RU in the 200-yard free style while Ray Woods was second both in the 50 and 100-yard free style events.

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# Coach Pleased Despite Defeat For Stevenson

Pride was the word basketball coach George Van Wagner expressed in defeat at Stevenson High.

His seniorless charges had just given powerful East Detroit more than the outsiders had expected.

The final score was 68-58 for the team that had knocked off defending state Class A champ three nights earlier.

# Sorrows 5 Winner in Playoff Tilt

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Either way you list their names, they were the heroes Sunday night in Qtr. Lady of Sorrows' 66-60 overtime victory over St. Michael in the first round of the Catholic League's second division playoffs.

It was Doyle and Bunker in the stretch drive that brought Sorrows down behind in regulation time with Doyle connecting on a 30-footer at the buzzer to bring his team even at 59-59 and force the extra session.

Then in overtime, Bunker, a reserve, took over, and popped in five quick points to move his team to victory and into next Saturday night's semifinals at the University of Detroit Memorial Building against St. Gregory at 8:30 p.m.

Between them Bunker and Doyle scored 20 points in a row popped in by Sorrows, which had finished the regular season tied with Orchard Lake St. Mary's for first place in the Northwest Division.

Sorrows had to come on strong because St. Michael had built up a six-point cushion going into the last period.

But with Doyle and Bunker, and Bunker and Doyle, clicking, coach Bob Morris crew made up the ground.

In the overtime, St. Michael was held to just one point.

"We never were greater on defense," said Morris after the game.

Doyle, who averaged 25 points per game all season, caged 13 baskets and two free throws for 28 points.

Frank Corio had 4-4-12, while Mike Christopher netted 11 along with Bunker, Perry with four rounded out the scoring for the happy winners.

The victory was hailed as an upset since St. Michael had won 11 straight.

St. Gregory stopped St. Martin's, 74-55, in another surprise. All Saints crushed Richard Lake St. Mary, 72-36, and St. Cecilia rolled to Ann Arbor St. Thomas' winning ways, 61-47.

St. Cecilia and All Saints play at 7 p.m. in Saturday's first game.

# Garden City Little Loop Enrolling Set

The Garden City Youth Athletic Association, sponsor of the summer Little League program, will take registrations for the leagues on Saturdays, Feb. 18 and 25 in Cambridge Junior High at 28901 Cambridge.

All boys between the ages of 9 to 12 years old, who hope to participate in the Little League activities next summer, must register on one of the two dates. Registrations will be accepted between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on each Saturday.

Youth Association officials point out that doctors will be available for physical examinations, free of charge, on each Saturday.

If taken later, the individual players will have to make their own arrangements for the examinations.

Players must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at the time of registration and pay a \$5 fee - \$9 if two boys in the same family. A birth certificate must be available at the time of registration.

Association officials stressed that the Little League registrations do not include the Pony and Colt Leagues. Registration dates for the older circuits will be announced later.

# Prep Cage Schedule

**FRIDAY'S GAMES**  
Garden City East at Luther West.  
Redford Union at Belleville.  
Glenh at North Farmington.  
Franklin at Oak Park.  
Stevenson at Farmington.  
Bentley at Plymouth.  
Garden City West at Schafer.  
Groves at Turfston.  
Bloomfield Hills at Clarencville.

**SATURDAY'S GAMES**  
North Farmington at Clarencville.  
**TUESDAY'S GAME**  
Bentley at Dearborn.

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