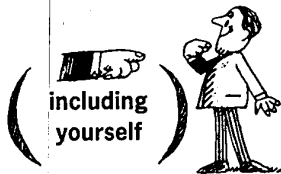


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Teams Set For Basketball Openers

This is Getaway Week on the area's high school basketball fronts.

Garden City East, Thurston and Clarenceville "broke" the ice Tuesday night when they engaged in their openers.

Most of the other schools open on Friday, but it will be a week from Friday before Garden City West gets its first action.

The experts are saying that among the 14 schools in Observerland, three stand out — Stevenson, Bentley and Garden City East.

Stevenson has an all-veteran team under coach George Van Wagoner, a combination featuring Paul Tonnemacher, Dave Mastny, Paul Pender and Nick Exarhos.

Over at nearby Bentley, the basketball fortunes again should remain high as coach George Fettes presents a team led by 6-6 Ken

Bollin, a member of last year's All-Observer All-Star team.

Jim Powers and Dan Doyle also are back at Bentley which has finished on top in the Suburban Six League in three of the past five years.

At Garden City East, all signs point to a banner season what with four starters back, plus the sixth and seventh members of the 1966-67 team.

The major headache facing coach Billy Joe Young at East is to find a replacement for Joe Huber, the top scorer last year and another All-Observer star.

Stevenson makes its debut Saturday night at Plymouth.

The Rocks under coach Dick Bearup could provide a surprise or two in the Suburban Six League.

Bentley has a date with Farmington Friday evening in the Farmington gym. Then on Saturday Farmington moves over to Southfield, while Bentley waits until Tuesday before tackling always tough Edsel Ford. Farmington has a new coach this season — Ray Boyle, who replaces the veteran Jack Quiggle.

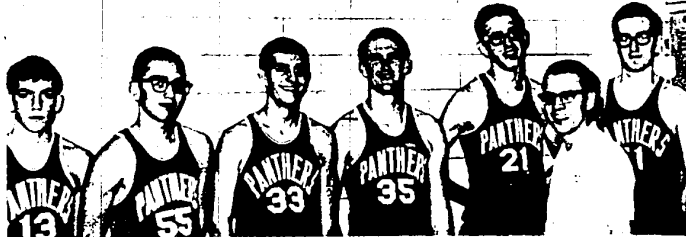
Garden City East has a Friday game at Lawrey to round out the slate for the three powerhouse teams.

Here's the schedule:

Friday's Games
Southfield at Redford Union.
St. Agatha at St. Cecilia.
Plymouth at Walled Lake.
Bentley at Farmington.
Kettering at North Farmington.
Our Lady of Sorrows at Pontiac Catholic.
Northville at Clarenceville.
Garden City East at Lawrey.

Saturday's Games
Stevenson at Plymouth.
Farmington at Southfield.

Tuesday's Games
Carlson at John Glean.
Bentley at Edsel Ford.
Franklin at Wayne.
Stevenson at Thurston.
(All varsity games start at 8 p.m.)



GARDEN CITY EAST hopes for a league championship rest on these holdovers from last year's quintet which finished in the runnersup spot. The group: (from left) Ricky Clack, Harold Slade, Chuck Sakmour, Bill Crowell, Mike Maciasz, Coach Billy Joe Young and Harvey Kightlinger. East opened its season Wednesday against Ecorse.

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Cinderella Hoosiers Win Rose Bowl Game Berth

The year of sports miracles! Remember the Boston Red Sox...and how the 100-1 shots won the American League pennant? Now the Boxer must step over and make room for the Indiana

University Hoosiers in the "surprise of surprise departments."

There was nary a person—oh, maybe one or two in Indiana—who figured the Hoosiers had a chance to go any place in the 1967 Big Ten football chase. But when the curtain dropped on Saturday, the Hoosiers found themselves sharing the championship with Purdue and Minnesota and also honored with the right to represent Western Conference for the first time in the Rose Bowl game on New Year's Day.

In Pasadena, the Hoosiers must contend with No. 1 ranked Southern California and O.J. Simpson.

The odds makers already have stamped Southern Cal. as the favorites, but the role of underdog hardly can shake up the Hoosiers. They've been that all season...especially on the final Saturday of the season against cross-state rival Purdue.

Purdue, a two-touchdown choice, was shooting its first undisputed title until the Boiler-makers ran into the Hoosier buzz-saw and succumbed by a 19-14 score.

MINNESOTA ALSO won on Saturday, beating Wisconsin, 21-14, but since the Gophers have been to Pasadena twice before, the league voted to send Indiana—and no choice could have been more popular with the fans who root for the underdogs.

Indiana recovered four Purdue fumbles. Two were turned into Hoosier touchdowns, the other two stopped Purdue drives. The passing of Harry Goss and the running of Terry Cole sparked the Hoosiers who also did a fine job of curbing Purdue's Leroy Keyes.

Meantime, as the season ended for most college teams, the pairings were finalized for other major bowls. Here they are:

Orange—Oklahoma for Tennessee.

SUGAR—LSU vs. Wyoming.

COTTON—Alabama for Texas Aggies.

LIBERTY—George vs. North Carolina State.

SUN—Texas (El Paso) vs. Mississippi.

LATOR—Penn State vs. Florida State.

On the closing day of the season, Michigan State salvaged a little happiness by beating Northwestern, 41-17, but Michigan was beaten by a fast-starting Ohio State, 21-14. The Spartans posted a 3-4 Big Ten record after resigning as champs the two previous years. Dwight Lee sparked the Spartans. He returned a kickoff 93 yards to put the Spartans ahead for keeps, then went 54 yards for another TD.

OHIO STATE ran up three quick touchdowns against Michigan, then held off a Wolverine rally in which Ron Johnson ran to new Big Ten rushing record and quarterback Dennis Brown paced some more U.M. heroics. Brown hit on 17 of 24 passes, while Johnson gained 96 yards to finish with 1,005 yards.

He thus became the first Wolverine ever to make over 1,000 yards in a season and broke the Big Ten mark of 996 set by Jim Grabowski of Illinois in 1965. In other football action Saturday, Tennessee won its eighth straight by downing Kentucky, 17-7, to remain No. 2 in the nation behind Southern California, which already had finished the season.

Syracuse surprised UCLA and Gary Beban, 32-14, to finish 8-2. It was also an 8-2 season for Notre Dame, which wound up by downing Miami, 24-22. Yale, the Ivy League champ, edged Harvard, 24-20, while Dartmouth pinned Princeton, 17-14. Illinois bested Iowa, 21-19, and Washington State surprised Washington 9-7.

The big game this Saturday is Army vs. Navy.

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