Observerland Fives Clash In Holiday Cage Tourney

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Not any more.
Most Observerland schools will be in action next week, shooting for honors in three holiday meets.
The annual Northwest prepented open wednesday at Redford Union and Bentley and moves to Bentley Thursday for the final three days of competition.

Teams from Bentley, Redford Union, North Farmington, Southfield, Ypsilanti, Berkley, Farmington and Stevenson make up the field.

IN WEDNESDAY'S openers, it'll be Bentley vs. Berkley

Tourney **Pairings**

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By George Maskin

observing sports

Utilizing a sports column to send out our annual holiday greetings:
Merry Christmas—
To the Redford Township baseball team which for the second straight year won its way into the national tournament held in Pennsylvania.

To the mathers who haul their athletic-minded sons back and forth to practices and games. . to fathers, who beef, because their sons don't play on a Little Lengue team; yet dad doesn't seem ever to find the time to assist with the coaching or running of the team.

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To athletic directors, who are loaded down with more paper werk than ever... to referees who walk away smiling men the toughest and most unpraised job in the world in their reports, win or lose, and those who be lanche because they won't get mentioned lind to lanche because they won't take a remained lind to lanche because they won't take a nemtioned lind to lanche because they won't take a remained with the lanche because they won't take a remained by the lanche the lanche to lanche the lanche to lanche the lanche to lanche the lanche to lanche the l

To those young men you meet on airplanes

Ypsilanti and Southfield shape up as the teams to beat with Bentley rated a strong conten-der, too, along with Redford

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Southfield owned Bentley in last December's title game.

JOHN GLENN HIGH will sponsor a four-team tourney in which Wayne plays Plymouth in the first game Thursday with Belleville and Glenn hooking up at 9 in the nightcap.

The two losers play in Friday's first game, the two winners for the title Friday at 5. Belleville is rated as the best bet.

teams next season.

GARDEN CITY EAST'S unbeaten powerbouse and strong Thurston are among eight teams which will vie in the annual River Rouge High.

This will be East's first shod at honors in the Rouge classic. The Garden City team, winners of five straight, take on North-ville in the first game at 5p.m. Wednesday.

Inkster Robichaud then tackes Thurston at 6:30 with Ecorse-Lincoln and Highland Park-River Rouge following on the first night's card.

NORTH OF THE BORDER

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The Tigers have two Canadians on their 1968 rosterboth pitchers.

A - PLUS
The Toledo Mid Hens, Detroit's Class AAA farm club,
won the International League
playoffs in 1967 after finishing
third during the regular season.

MISSED OUT
Tony Cuccinello, Tiger thirdbase coach, played in the major
leagues for 15 years without
ever appearing in a World
Series.





Sad Start Is Fatal To Agatha

A bad start proved fatal to t. Agatha High's basketball

St. Agatha High's basectoal team Tuesday.

The Townshippers were snowed under, 27-10, by St. Rita in the first period.

The rest of the way saw St. Agatha more than hold its own. But the damage had been done; St. Rita wound up a 77-72 winner.

St. Atta want up and the gap to 42-36 by halftime and fwice in the third period pulled within three points of a like. Dare Urban led the losers with 20 points, Dan Sweeney had 18, along with Chuck Costello.



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26 ALL CHRISTMAS **DECORATIONS**

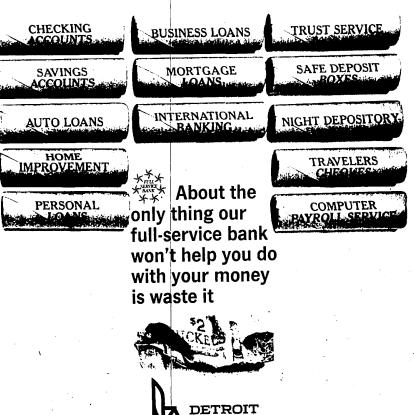
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