

# Bentley Gets Scare; East Rolls Along

The final was a natural Garden City East vs. Bentley for the district Class A basketball championship at Franklin. Here were two kings fighting it out. Garden City reigned No. 1 in

the Mid-Wayne League, winning all 10 of its conference starts and finishing the season ranked No. 12 in the state. Bentley, meantime, was champ in the Suburban Six League. And, like East, Bentley

won all 10 of its loop games and rated No. 15 in the final state rankings. It was an old story for Bentley being in the district final. The team had copped the district flag the last two years

and in four of the last five. East, on the other hand, hadn't enjoyed such success in the tournament. Surprisingly, both Bentley and East had some problems reaching the district win.

BENTLEY HAD to overcome a six-point deficit in the final 40 seconds before going on to oust Garden City West, 49-47, in an overtime thriller. East had more than his share of problems before turning back

Stevenson, 61-47, after routing Franklin in its first tourney game Monday. Garden City West stood on the brink of a major upset against Bentley. West has stormed into a 22-

15 halftime edge and went into the final period, trailing, 30-28. Then West went to work in earnest and with just under a minute to go appeared to have the verdict wrapped up with

a 44-38 edge. But Bentley arose to the occasion. Bill Bollin, who had spent the two days before the game in a hospital, suffering from an intestinal disorder, drove for a basket and was fouled on the play. His shot was good and Bentley pulled by three points.

## Specs Aid Oyler To Add Zip

LAKE LAND, Fla.—From the major league training camps: The Detroit Tigers think that shortstop Ray Oyler is showing some new zip in camp this season.

Reason: Oyler now wears glasses, which manager Mayo Smith figures will help his hitting. Oyler batted only .207 last year.

Meantime, pitcher Denny McLain has deserted big glasses in favor of contacts. FRANK ROBINSON of the Baltimore Orioles has become the highest paid player in the American League.

He ended a short holdout by signing for a reported \$118,000. Next on the list for American Leaguers is Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees.

SPEAKING of the Yankees, they ripped Washington, 1-0, in the opening exhibition of the game season.

PITCHER Jim Maloney and outfielder Vada Pinson have ended their holdouts with the Cincinnati Reds. Maloney reportedly will get \$60,000.

AMERICAN LEAGUE umpires have been instructed to enforce the new rule which forbids a pitcher from touching his pitching fingers to his lips.

AL umpire, supervisor of the rule, but league president Joe Cronin says it must be followed to the teeth.

THE TIGER weekend games in Florida will be broadcast back to Detroit and Michigan with WJR the key station for the network. Ernie Harwell and Ray Lane will call the plays.

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## Falcons In Familiar Role; Thurston Wins Berth

There was a familiar ring to the Class A district final at North Farmington in the

state high school basketball tournament. Farmington was in Friday's

clash, opposing Thurston for the right to advance to this week's regionals at Franklin.

The Farmington team is no stranger in district winnups. They were shooting for their ninth title since 1944 in the state competition.



DALE JOYCE, of Thurston, drives past Jay Hazelroth, of North Farmington, on his way to an underbasket shot. Thurston moved into the championship final of the regional tourney with a close 66-61 triumph.

IN CONTRAST, Thurston never had won a district. In fact, until last year Thurston never had won in a district.

Farmington, a winner on Monday over Redford Union, continued its winning ways in the district by bumping Walled Lake, 71-59, with a strong comeback.

Meantime, Thurston out-pointed North Farmington, 66-61, in a finish which typified the final standings this year in the Northwest Suburban League.

Thurston won the loop crown with North Farmington in second, a game behind.

DESPITE ITS 12-point bulge at the last siren, Farmington had some ticklish moments against Walled Lake.

Almost before the Falcons knew what had hit them in the first period, they found themselves trailing, 14-4.

Then Farmington staged a comeback that left the Falcons on the short end of only a 25-20 score after one period.

By halftime, however, Farmington had pulled in front, 38-27, as Mark Lynott dropped in six points and Joe Himmelspach and Randy Cleveland four each in the second period.

LYNOTT EMERGED as the game's scoring leader for the winners with 16 baskets and five charities for 25 points.

Himmelspach made five baskets and five for five charities for 15 points, followed by Cleveland with 11 points, Doug Hamilton had nine, Tom Peterson six, Paul White four and Kevin Hildebrand one.

Individual honors in the game went to Greg Fogie, Farmington's great sharpshooter who fired in 11 baskets and five free throws for 27 points.

THURSTON AND North Farmington had split even during the regular season and their "rubber" battle was tight all the way.

But Thurston had too much in pulling out its ninth straight victory.

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## NHL Standings

EASTERN DIVISION			
Team	W	L	Pts
Montreal	36	18	80
New York	33	19	77
Detroit	33	22	76
Chicago	29	25	72
Toronto	26	27	61
Boston	22	30	54
WESTERN DIVISION			
Team	W	L	Pts
Philadelphia	26	28	62
Minnesota	24	27	60
Los Angeles	22	29	54
St. Louis	22	27	51
Pittsburgh	21	30	44
Oakland	20	30	44
WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS			
New York 4, Detroit 1	Philadelphia 2, Montreal 2	Chicago 2, Pittsburgh 0	St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 2
Los Angeles 2, Oakland 2	Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 2	St. Louis 2, Minnesota 2	Los Angeles 4, Oakland 2
THURSDAY'S RESULTS			
Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 2	St. Louis 2, Minnesota 2	Los Angeles 4, Oakland 2	
SATURDAY'S RESULTS			
Detroit 4, Boston 3	Philadelphia 2, Pittsburgh 2	St. Louis 2, Minnesota 2	Los Angeles 4, Oakland 2
SUNDAY'S GAMES			
Detroit at Boston (Channel 50)	1:30 p.m.		
Toronto at Chicago (Channel 2)	1:30 p.m.		
Los Angeles at New York (Channel 13)	1:30 p.m.		
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh (Channel 13)	1:30 p.m.		
St. Louis at Oakland (Channel 13)	1:30 p.m.		
TUESDAY'S GAME			
Detroit at Los Angeles			

CHEERLEADER Gail Saunders cheers her finger-nails as she watches her Stevenson team go down in defeat.

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## Rocks To Stake Sorrows, St. Agatha Title In Relay Fall Early

The lives of Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Agatha were short but not sweet in the state district basketball tournament.

Neither survived the first round. Sorrows was bumped by Royal Oak St. Mary, 72-61, at Pontiac, while St. Agatha went to Detroit to be keyed by strong St. Gregory, 71-48.

Sorrows managed an early, 23-16 lead over St. Mary's, and stayed in front for three quarters.

But in the final period, St. Mary's went to a zone press which resulted in a series of miscues by Sorrows.

Mike Hart again topped the losers. He had 21 points, including nine in the first period. Dennis Perry tossed in ten while Webster scored eight, Briault five and Patton and Doyle four each for the losers.

ST. AGATHA fell behind in a hurry. The Townships lagged by 12-12 after one period, 38-27, at halftime and were outscored by 33-19 in the final half.

Chuck Costello with 13 points and Jerry Myron with 10 hit in double figures as the season ended for St. Agatha. Ken Inch added nine and Dave Urban eight.

Joe Charnley and John Bernard shared honors for the winners. Bernard tallied 22 points, one more than his mate.

## Big Ten Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.	OP
Iowa	10	5	.667	1st
Ohio State	10	4	.714	2nd
Purdue	8	5	.615	3rd
Northwestern	7	6	.538	5th
Wisconsin	6	6	.500	6th
Illinois	6	7	.462	8th
Michigan	5	6	.455	9th
Nebraska	5	6	.455	10th
Indiana	4	10	.286	11th
Michigan St.	3	10	.231	12th
Wisconsin	3	10	.231	13th
Minnesota	3	10	.231	14th
North Carolina	3	10	.231	15th
Georgia	3	10	.231	16th
Florida	3	10	.231	17th
Alabama	3	10	.231	18th
Arkansas	3	10	.231	19th
Mississippi	3	10	.231	20th

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