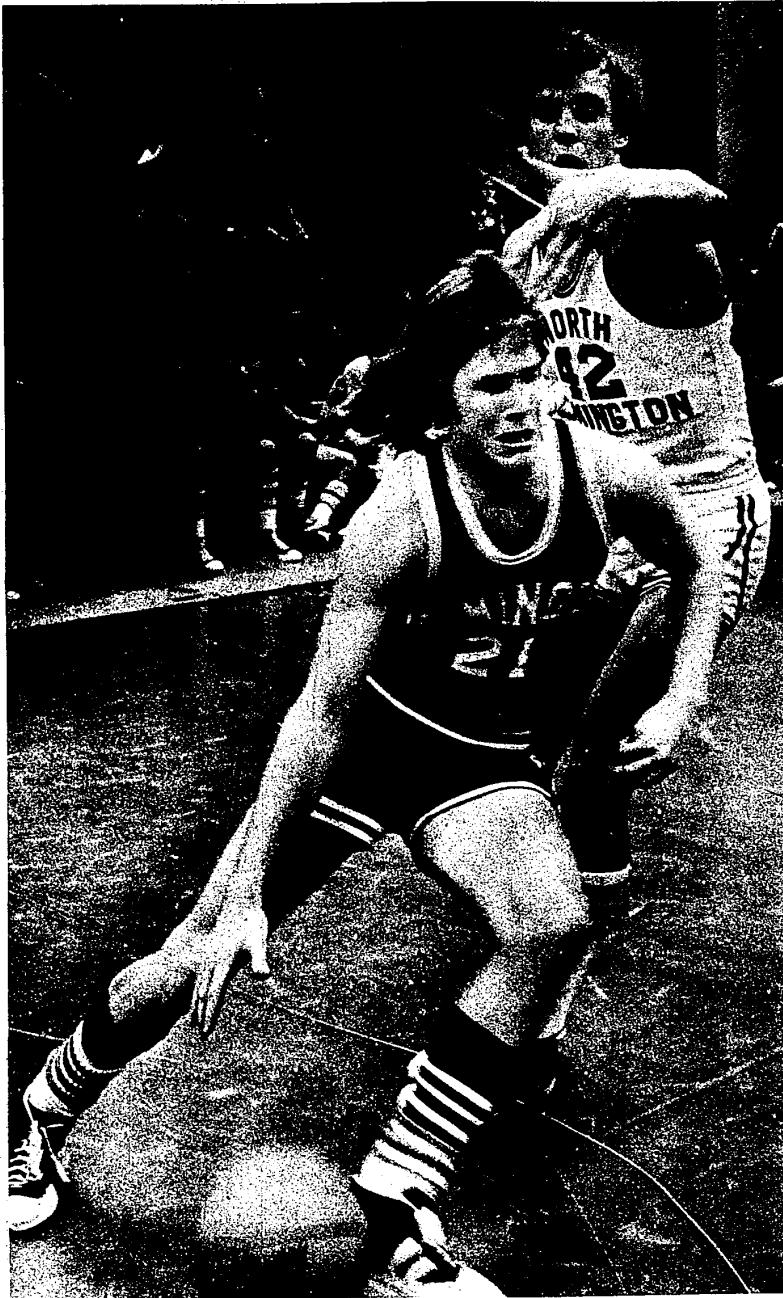


The Raiders advanced to the district finals



Farmington's Bob Drake has the ball, but the Raiders had the district victory

Raiders romp

By KEN SCHIFF

Jim Fredericks showed basketball fans at the Harrison High district why he's North Farmington's all time scoring champ.

Fredericks, the Raiders' senior center, scored 29 points including 14 straight in the fourth quarter to put away a surprisingly tough Farmington High team, 77-63, last Thursday.

Three straight jump shots by Farmington's Mark Schultz pulted the Falcons to within four points early in the fourth quarter. But then Falcon center Al Bylski fouled out and Fredericks went to work.

Fredericks scored six field goals and two free throws in a three minute span to give the Raiders a 67-55 edge with only three minutes left to play.

"I FEEL I can beat anyone under the boards," said Fredericks, who set a season scoring record this year, averaging 29.5 points per game before Thursday's 29-point performance.

"He's been our best all season," said North Farmington Coach Kenneth Dean. Fredericks has played the varsity pivot since his sophomore year.

A tight Falcon defense kept North Farmington from pulling way ahead in the first half. The Raiders led 11-7 after the first quarter and 33-26 at intermission. Jeff Schultz picked up three of his five personal fouls in the first quarter.

Farmington committed 13 turnovers and was outrebounded 25-12 in the first half. But the Falcons were down by only seven points at half time.

Surprisingly, the Falcons still had some life in them after Fredericks' streak left them down by 12.

Tyler called time-out and apparently whatever he told his team to do worked. Farmington got two quick buckets after play was resumed and it was North's turn to call time.

THE FALCONS made another basket to move within six, but forward Mitch Thomas fouled out and the Raiders held Farmington scoreless the remaining two minutes to win.

"I'm proud of the kids," said Falcon Coach Bruce Brown. "They played tremendous defense but North just had a better team this year."

Farmington, finishing 3-16 on the year, was led by Thomas with 17 points and Mark Schultz with 16. The Falcons shot well from the floor, hitting 24 out of 52 for 46 per cent, while making 15 out of 23 from the line.

North Farmington shot better than 50 per cent from the field with two other players in double figures besides Fredericks. Mike Daley had 14 points and Dennis McCrary added 13. The Raiders hit 21 out of 37 attempts from the line, but McCrary missed seven out of 12 free throws.

ON THE BOARDS, it was North outrebounding the Falcons, 45-20, McCrary grabbed 12, Fredericks 11 and Daley nine. Al Bylski had 13 rebounds for the losers.

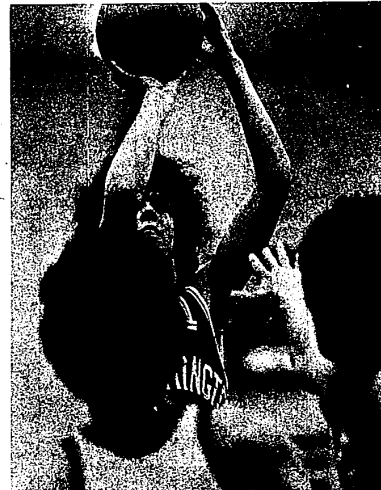
North Farmington plays Plymouth-Salem, which extended its winning streak to 16 games with a victory over Northville last Thursday.

NORTH FARMINGTON Jim Fredericks 11, 7-8-3; Michael Benford 0, 2-3-8; Kevin Casper 1, 1-1-2; Mike Daley 6, 2-2-4; David Wilcox 0, 0-0-0; Scott Garneau 0, 3-5-3; Dennis McCrary 4, 5-12-13; Robert Parks 2, 0-1-4; Thomas Brown 1, 0-1-2; Michael Gordon 0, 1-2-1; Totals: 28, 21-37-17.

FARMINGTON Mark Schultz 6, 4-10-6; Robert Drake 2, 3-5-7; Dennis McCrary 1, 0-2-2; Dave Tyler 2, 3-5-7; Jeffrey Schultz 0, 0-0-0; Scott Wilcox 2, 0-1-4; John Fines 1, 0-0-2; Al Bylski 2, 2-4-6; Michael Thomas 7, 3-4-17; Mark Freese 0, 0-0-0; Totals: 24, 15-24-63.

TOTAL FOULS: North Farmington 19, Farmington 27. Fouled out Farmington Al Bylski, Dennis McCrary, Jeff Schultz.

North Farmington 71 22 16 26-77
Farmington 7 19 17 20-63



The Falcons had a few surprises for their city rivals.

Salem in finals

Routine, methodical basketball was all it took to put Plymouth-Salem in the finals of the Class A district basketball tourney at Farmington-Harrison as the Rocks crushed Northville, 65-47. In the other semi-final contest, North Farmington wiped out Farmington High just about as easily, leading all the way en route to a 77-63 verdict.

Northville's Mustangs stuck with a one-on-one defensive pattern and it offered little resistance to Plymouth's towering troops as 6-9 Eric Agardy

led the scoring parade with 28 points on 11 baskets and six out of six from the free throw line.

Teammate Jim Ellinghausen, a 6-6 sophomore, hit seven of 14 shots from the floor in the first half for 14 points, and then didn't even let one fly after intermission. Tom Eis was Northville's only man in double figures, scoring 15.

The victory shot Plymouth's record for the season to 20-2 and gave the Rocks a 16-game winning streak to carry into the tournament championship game with North.

The Rocks demonstrated they meant business right from the opening Upoff, racing to a 10-1 lead in the first four minutes and the leading 18-7 at the end of the initial quarter.

By halftime Plymouth had increased its lead to 33-18 and then jumped it to 25 points (51-26) after three quarters. Coach Fred Thomann cleared his bench in the final period, and the Mustangs took advantage of this to put 21 points on the board during the last eight minutes to 14 for the Rock reserves.

In addition to taking scoring honors, Agardy also led Plymouth in rebounds with 15 as the Rocks led Northville in that department, 48-30.

Box score:
PLYMOUTH SALEM (65): Moore, 3-2-1-4; Nye, 2-0-0-0; Agardy, 11-4-8-23; Ellinghausen, 7-2-0-11; Johnson, 1-0-0-2; Fowler, 3-2-0-5; Zink, 1-0-0-2; Dixon, 2-2-0-4; DeStefano, 1-0-0-2; Mason, 1-0-0-2; 2; Maloney, 1-0-0-2. **TOTALS:** 51-26-11-65.
NORTHVILLE (47): Vanoschil, 0-0-0-0; Babcock, 1-0-0-2; Kirsch, 4-12-21; Liu, 2-3-7; Campbell, 1-0-0-2; Frank, 0-0-0-0; Berger, 1-2-2-4; Todd, 1-1-0-2; Norton, 0-1-2-1; Piccolo, 0-0-0-0; Tom Eis, 6-2-3-4; Cline, 2-0-0-4. **TOTALS:** 17-19-23-47.
Plymouth 51 26 11 65-114
Northville 17 19 23 47-114