

List More And More Day Contests

Fewer Night Games On Prep Schedules

Is high school football losing its night appeal? It would appear that way in Oberlinland, judging by the 1969 schedules which appear in this edition of the Observer.

Such "old" standbys as Plymouth, Bentley, Clarencville, Redford Union and Garden City East all have canceled their home contests under the lights.

So has Garden City West, while John Glenn will play some of its home contests in the evening and St. Agatha has arranged to use the Redford Union lighted gridiron for two home games.

But elsewhere, day football will be the rule for the area schools.

TAKE FRANKLIN High, The Livianians will not see a lighted field until their final game of the season when they visit Bentley for the traditional battle between the two city rivals.

Until that clash, Franklins will have performed in seven after-

noon contests -- at home and on the road.

Stevenson, which stakes an 8-0 record this season, will play at night only on the road.

Our Lady of Sorrows sees lights only once -- at Ultra St. Lawrence.

THE FARMINGTON High, schedule is split -- four home games in the afternoon and four on the road at night.

The Falcons were switched

a chance to see the team play.

"On Friday afternoons, we found that few dads were able to make a 3:30 kickoff. Now, if we go on Saturdays, the dads should be there...or at least most of them."

Tyler isn't worried that Farmington will lose fans to Michigan or Michigan State, or the college game-of-the-week on television.

"We anticipate the Saturday switch will increase our

crowds."

NORTH FARMINGTON has found Saturday a good day for home football for several years. And so has Thurston.

North Farmington will play only twice at night...when the Raiders go to Walled Lake on the second weekend of the season and then two weeks later to Groves. The final five North Farmington games are booked in the afternoon.

Thurston has one night game -

Livnola's new Churchill High will play afternoon games at home, too. The only three Churchill night contests are on foreign fronts.

This also will be Churchill's first year of playing an all-variety schedule after making its bow last season with just 10th graders and against chiefly junior varsity foes.

ALTHOUGH CHURCHILL will



NO TIME LOST at Thurston High in removing an injured football player to a hospital for examination. Halback Gordon Estes suffered neck and head injuries during a "blow-out" Saturday morning. (Above) Coach Bill McDonald and an assistant examine Gordon for injuries (below) after notifying parents. McDonald called an ambulance and sent Estes to Garden City Osteopathic Hospital for a thorough checkup. He was scheduled to rejoin the squad Tuesday. (Observer photos by Craig Gaffield)



Shenandoah Golf Meet Brings Stars To Area

All's ready for the opening of the Michigan Golf Classic Thursday at the Shenandoah Golf and Country Club, located on Walnut Lake Road, just west of Orchard Lake Road.

Most of the big names of professional golf will be on deck to shoot for \$100,000 in prize money -- \$20,000 to the winner -- and also some new automobiles.

It's the only major golf tournament of the year in the Detroit area and it's expected there should be some fancy shooting at the new Shenandoah course.

The likes of Tom Shaw, Bob Murphy, Bob Goobly, Dow Finsterwald, Johnny Pott, Mason Rudolph and Miller Barber will be contesting.

There also were hopes that Lee Trevino and Billy Casper would be present.

MIKE SOUCHEN of Oakland Hills will lead the Michigan contestants in the field of 144 players.

It's the first big golf tournament booked around Detroit in five years.

"I need a tournament like this," said Souchak, who for many years made the tour as a regular before taking his job at Oakland Hills.

"Golf is a big sport here. We are big league in football, baseball, basketball, hockey and everything else. We should be big league in golf, too...and that's why all of us are pulling for the Michigan Classic to be a success."

"If the tourney goes over, it's a good bet they will have a tourney of this scale here every year...which is the way it should be."

FOR SEVERAL months, it had been felt that the new Shenandoah course would be a condition for the invasion of the top golfers.

But officials at Shenandoah have worked day and night and as the stars of golf teed off Monday and Tuesday for practice rounds, all agreed that they envisioned some interesting days of golf starting Thursday.

The course seems much higher than 18 inches when viewed from the sidelines.

When it was suggested that the captains would have to consider the slope along with wind direction when making a choice in the toss of the coin, Bob Schenbeckler, the new coach, remarked:

"The field slopes toward both sides -- the only time we'll be on the level is when we're plunging straight ahead."

U-M Coach Master Of Words

By W.W. EDGAR

The University of Michigan's football fortunes under a new coaching staff may be matter of conjecture. But one thing is certain--the Wolverines no longer are going to play second fiddle along the banquet circuit.

Ever since loquacious Wally Weber, the squatly broad-shouldered fullback of the Yost days charmed his listeners with a running fire of interesting football tales, the Wolverines have had to give way to such after-dinner chatters as Duffy Daugherty, of Michigan State and Ira Parseghian, of Notre Dame.

But so more.

IN HIS FIRST APPEARANCE before the press this season, "Bo" Schenbeckler, who has succeeded Bump Elliott as the major domo of the football forces, proved that he could hold his own in a battle of words and wits.

He stood before the football writers and with a running fire of words, reminiscent of the late Knute Rockne, parried questions and with a keen sense of humor proved that he was an outstanding salesman as well as a keen student of football.

Short and stocky, with ready smile, he is quick to win his listeners and already has developed a new spirit and approach to the game on the Ann Arbor campus.



CHARGING BLOCKING pads are members of the offensive line at Franklin High while defensive players handle the blocks to get at the ball carrier. Like most other schools in the area, the Franklin graders toiled in the hot sun Monday and now will settle down to one-a-day workouts in preparation for the season opener two weeks away. (Observer photo by Craig Gaffield)

BO'S FOOTBALL coaching record preceded him to the new job, but little was known of his loquaciousness and wit until he stepped to the microphone to face the writers on Press Day.

Within a few moments he reeled off the names of the players on whom he was counting to start the season and then amazed his listeners by stating he is planning a "well balanced offense" in contrast to what Bump (Elliott) had last year when he relied on Ron Johnson, the All-America back.

Then, with a sly grin, he added --

"Of course, we haven't got a Ron Johnson this year."

"Bo" also let it be known that he has a mind of his own, too.

In contrast to the prevailing LKC Sights 1,000 Dogs On Sunday

More than 1,000 entries are expected for the Livonia Kennel Club All-Breed show Sunday in the Clarenceville High gym, 20210 Middle Belt Road, Livonia.

Secretary Betty Omar reports the show will have 80 different breeds including the Toy Group which recently gained recognition of the American Kennel Club.

The Livonia show will be the first in Michigan to offer regular classes in the Toy Group and LKC officials are looking forward to a record entry.

Additional information regarding the show may be obtained from Mrs. Burmeister at 476-7181.

Plymouthite Records Ace At Godwin

Donq Miller, of Plymouth, has the distinction of recording the second ace on an 18-hole Godwin Glen Golf Course in Salem Twp.

Playing with a foursome that included LARRY Bures, Alan Kric and Jerry Buter, Doug hit a seven-iron on the 175-yard No. 3 hole. The ball landed on the green and rolled into the cup. He had a 42 for the Sunday.

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