

GC West, Shamrocks Clash In 'A' Final

Garden City West and Detroit Catholic Central battled their way into the championship round of the regional class 'A' cage tournament at Franklin High.

West squeezed past a spirited Ann Arbor Huron quintet and the Shamrocks fought for survival against a scrappy

Farmington team that just wouldn't give up.

The battle started for 8 p.m. Saturday matched West's unbeaten 20 game streak against CC's record of 18 wins and three losses.

The victor was to enter next Wednesday's quarterfinal round with selection of sites

and pairings to be made Monday in Lansing.

Farmington tried to play a game of "get the ball to White" and discovered too late it wouldn't work against sharp-shooting Catholic Central—it meant to Paul White, the Falcons' spectacular scorer.

The Shamrocks, runnersup

in the Detroit Catholic League, rolled to their 19th victory against three defeats with a 64-56 victory.

Actually the difference between the teams wasn't that great. Farmington trailed only 33-32 with 1:30 remaining but brilliant Frank Tanana led a Shamrock rally that netted

nine points against four for the Falcons.

The game developed into a spectacular individual scoring duel between Tanana and Farmington's Paul White and they wound up exactly even with 28 points each.

The only difference was that White had 16 of his total in the first half and Tanana collected 16 of his points in the crucial second half.

It was another of the cliff hangers that have marked the tournament games at Franklin.

Rick Drewitz Leads Tigers Past Hurons

Rick Drewitz, West's spectacular all-state candidate, showed a crowd of more than 2,000 why he deserves the honor when he tallied the last eight points for the Tigers in the final four minutes to beat a scrappy Ann Arbor Huron quintet, 35-32.

It was the 20th victory for West and the third straight tournament game in which it had to come from behind in the closing minutes to pull out the triumph.

The Hurons, who entered the game with a 10-9 season record but with seven victories in their last 10 contest, made Garden City fight for survival from the opening whistle.

game until the final four minutes when they hit the drought that killed their chances.

Garner ended the evening with 18 followed by Brooks' 15 and Richardson's nine.

G.C. WEST	G	F	P
Leszczynski	6	4	16
Drewitz	2	2	9
Nustad	2	2	9
Rutter	2	2	9
Guzowski	2	2	9
Totals	20	15	52

A.A. HURON	G	F	P
Skala	3	3	6
Garner	4	3	15
Brooks	4	3	15
Richardson	2	2	9
Wheat	2	2	9
Totals	15	16	52

By periods:
1st 14 18 14 12-35
G.C. West 20 16 7 12-52



GARDEN CITY WEST'S Kirk Lewis (43) was caught with this look on his face as he fought with Ann Arbor's Terry Garner for a rebound. Kirk finally retrieved the ball. The Tigers came from behind in the final minutes to win and gain the regional finals. (Observer photo by Harry Moulhe)

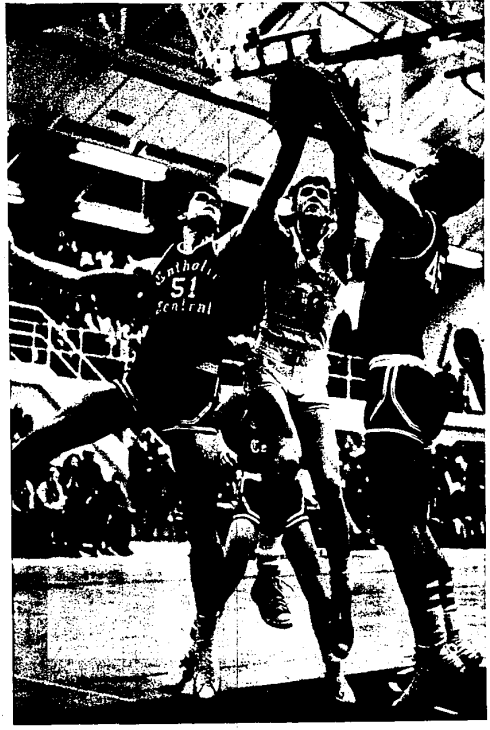
Farmington held a 15-11 edge at the quarter and 29-25 at the end of the half.

Let by Tanana's five points, the Shamrocks finally took the lead with 4:11 to play in the third quarter at 34-33.

Farmington wasn't out of it until the final two minutes but the Falcons never were any closer than one point in the remaining time.

Catholic Central had a 38-37 margin with 1:44 to play in the third quarter when Tanana and Pete Jonca connected twice in 25 seconds for a 42-37 count.

White hit from the edge of the foul circle to make it 42-39 but Tanana chucked in a one-hander and Randy Cleveland tipped in a rebound for Farmington to make the score 44-41 going into the final eight minutes.



THE DIFFERENCE between Farmington and Catholic Central in Thursday's regional semifinal was height as illustrated here. Mark Maniewski (40), of Farmington, is poked between Chris Rzozko (51) and Rick Mei (45), of CC, as he tries to grab a rebound. The Shamrocks rolled in the final two minutes to oust the Falcons. (Observer photo by Craig Gaffield)

Fishing Slow; Ice Gets Mushy

Ice fishing has slowed in Oakland County, and conservation officers warn that ice is becoming mushy on the shallower inland lakes.

Bluegills were still hitting well on Lakeville and Lake Orion, and Maceady Lake fishermen found trout hitting small minnows.

Fishermen were warned to remove their ice shanties while the ice is still hard enough to make removal easy.

On Lake St. Clair, fair perch catches were taken on Sector Bay off Selbridge Field. They hit sunfish and minnows.

Nice crappies were taken on the north edge of the canal near shore adjacent to Selbridge Field. Anchor Bay's ice was described as "sticky," however, and fishermen were cautioned.

Bentley, Plymouth Win All-Star Berths

Co-champions of the Suburban Six League, Plymouth High's cagers won additional honors when coaches of the six schools selected Capt. Cunningham and Charley Wolfe to be the league's all-star first team.

Cunningham, who was one of the biggest reasons for the

success of the Rocks, missed being a unanimous choice by a single vote. He received five of five on the first ballot (coaches are not permitted to vote for members of their own teams) and the poll was unanimous on the second time around.

WITH THAT HIGH total, Cunningham was named captain of the first team.

Bentley's Tom Guilfoyle, Belleville's Gerrard Pettus and Trenton's Jim Grace complete the first team.

Kirk Taylor and Gary Bevington, of Redford Union, were the leading vote getters on the second team. The remaining three places went to Dave Clark of Trenton, Jim Singleton, Belleville, and Keith Fezy, Allen Park.

THE TIGERS TOOK

the lead after two minutes of action on a Drewitz field goal and never relinquished it in the first half. They had an edge at the quarter and walked off the floor with a 36-30 advantage at the intermission.

West increased its lead to 40-30 with three minutes played in the third stanza before Huron roared back and finally moved in front 44-33 in the final minute of the period on a free throw by Terry Garner when fouled by Drewitz.

Surburban Six Expansion Set

That's when Coach Babler sent Drewitz back into the game with four minutes on the clock.

Rick counted from the edge of the foul circle and it was 50-49 Brooks was fouled while shooting and dropped in both for a 52-49 score and 3:30 to play.

Then Rick took charge and tallied six points in the remaining time while the Tigers held the Hurons scoreless.

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Tourney Pairings

How regional winners will be paired for state high school quarterfinals.

(Teams and locations to be announced Monday)

CLASS A
Wyoming regional winner vs. Flint regional winner.
Kalamazoo regional winner vs. Livonia-Franklin regional winner.
Trenton regional winner vs. Southfield regional winner.
Birmingham regional winner vs. East Detroit regional winner.

CLASS B
Kalamazoo regional winner vs. Grand Rapids regional winner.
Ypsilanti regional winner vs. Lansing regional winner.
Flint regional winner vs. Ferndale regional winner.

It won't be until the 1971-72 season that Dearborn and Dearborn Edsel Ford High Schools officially join the Suburban Six League which includes Plymouth, Bentley and Redford Union, along with Belleville, Allen Park and Trenton.

The two Dearborn schools recently were added to the Suburban Six and original plans called for them taking part, at least in some league sports, starting in September.

But scheduling difficulties have arisen and athletic director Jack Johnson of Dearborn High said it will now be September 1971, before Dearborn and Edsel Ford come aboard.

"We'll be in all sports in 1971," Johnson said. "We tried to schedule as possible for next year, but we have not been able to play all schools in all sports."

"As a result, the league has decided to delay expansion until we can compete in all nine sports. They don't want us in the league in some sports and in the league in others."

PHS Girls Drop Final To Lakers

Plymouth High's initial venture into girls varsity basketball on a non-league basis ended with the Rockettes winning one of eight games, losing the finale to Walled Lake Central, 29-18.

Junior Candy Carlson was the leading scorer for Plymouth with eight points and a total of 44 for the season. Pam Zang was next in line with 30.

The Rockettes lose only four seniors from the varsity and junior varsity teams, including GAA President Beth Bauman, Pam Swanson, Capt. Kathy Harper and Gloria Keeler.

The varsity and jayvees will end season play Tuesday on the school gym when the women's faculty team at 3 p.m. and the girls varsity meet the men's faculty at 3:45 p.m.

The doubleheader will give the student body a chance to watch the two faculty teams meet the girls quintets who have been playing together all season.

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