



TAPPING IN REBOUND is Farmington Harrison's Jim Mason (42) as Rochester Adams' Jim Young (25) tries to stop the shot. That's Joe Thomas (52), of Harrison, watching the flight of the ball. (Observer photo by Tom Donoghue)

Franklin Cage Coach Feels He Has A Winning Formula

The secret to success in sports is a team which plays together....players who compliment one another...players who aren't selfish. It's a big order but at Franklin High, coach Bob Visser thinks his basketball team this season fulfills all the aforementioned. "These are boys who work as a unit," said Visser after

Franklin made it two straight without a loss by downing Wayne, 74-58, in a non-league. "Our small guys get the ball into the big ones...or big ones score and rebound...everybody plays good defense...." VISSER OBVIOUSLY was happy with what he saw on the eve of Franklin starting

its bid for Northwest Suburban League honors. Franklin drew North Farmington as its first conference test and many around the league have been saying these are the two teams to watch along with Birmingham Groves. Tom Dietz and Rick Graham led the Franklin attack. Dietz had seven baskets and

five free throws for 19 points. Rick scored 18 points with seven boops and four charties. After an 11-11 first period, Franklin outscored the aggressive Wayne team, 20-10, in the second period and pulled away from there. Graham typifies the players on the Franklin team, says Visser.

"He's a big scorer, a fine rebounder and when the other side presses, Rick brings the ball up the court," the coach said. Rick stands 6-2½. Rob Hollandsworth, who recovering from a hand injury and should be able to play in three weeks. three weeks.

Bollin Controls Boards As Bentley Whips Ford

What a name Bollin has been in basketball over the years at Bentley High. There was Bill and then Ken...both all-stars. Now comes the third Bollin, Tim by name and a sophomore.

He was the dominant figure Tuesday when Bentley turned back Edsel Ford, 55-50, for the Livonia's second win without a loss. ALTHOUGH Bollin scored only 11 points, while team-

mates Dave Beach had 16 and Brian Dinsmore 12, Bollin was brilliant on the boards with 19 rebounds. The 6-6 first-year player sparked defensively as did the entire Bentley team.

Ford was held to eight points in the first quarter as Bentley jumped ahead, 13-8, and never was headed the rest of the way. Veach and Bollin each had four points in the first quarter while Veach tossed in eight more in the second period when Bentley increased its lead to 33-24 at the half.

Churchill Felled By Dearborn

After winning two straight, Churchill High's basketball team ran into a road block and was downed by Dearborn High, 60-49, in a non-league. Churchill had a tough time getting started. By the end of the first quarter, Dearborn had a 16-9 lead.

It was 33-20 at the half, but then Churchill began to click and outscored Dearborn, 17-7, in the third period to pull within three points (40-37) of a tie.

GARY LERSTEIN, bagging nine of his 13 points in the second half, paced the Churchill comeback. But a pair of three-point plays by John Seno and Bill Reiger opened up matters for Dearborn and iced the decision.

Keith Armstrong and Doug Young each had seven points for the losers while Brian Lowrey scored 22 points, Senko 17 and Eric Ponds 12 to top the winners.

Churchill netted only 21 rebounds in the game.

Dominates
Michigan State captured 1970 Big Ten cross country honors, earning the title for the 13th time in the 21 meets in which it has competed.

Harrison Learns Missed Fouls Can Really Hurt

When you lose by seven points, you look for reasons why, and Farmington Harrison High's basketball team could find the answer quickly in its 69-62 loss to Rochester Adams.

Free throw shooting was the difference. Adams made 21 out of 28 from the line. Harrison hit on only 8 of 25. Ironically, Harrison clicked well from the field, netting 27 out of 56 for a

fine 48 per cent. Adams hit on 24 of 59 for 40 per cent. There are no 12th graders at Harrison this year. JIM MASON had 19 points, Joe Thomas 16 and Jeff Sieloff 10 for the losers while Mark Campbell was the big gun for Adams.

Campbell hit for 17 of his points in the first half as Adams took a 32-26 lead. The rest of the way the teams battled on virtually even terms. Turnovers also figured in the final result. Harrison was guilty of 36, Adams 30.

Bob Berce tallied 20 points for the losers. Brent Boegler and Steve Kovich each had 15 points as the Bentley reserves downed Ford in a thriller, 57-55.

North Tankmen Sink Adams
North Farmington High's swimming team downed Rochester Adams, 55-50, in a dual meet. The North Farmington scorers:

MEDLEY RELAY: 1-NF Conklin, Zahler, Munro, McLean. Time: 1:54.5. 200-YARD FREE: 1-John Griswold. Time: 2:02.7. INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY: 2-Paul Peterson. 50-FREE: 1-Steve Shakotko, 3-Fred Berstch. Time: 24.2 seconds. DIVING: 1-Brad Carr, 2-Keith Kring.

100-YARD BUTTERFLY: 1-John Munro. Time 6:11 seconds. 100-YARD FREE: 2-Shakotko, 3-Berstch. 400-YARD FREE: 2-Dan McLean. 100-YARD BACK: 2-Griswold, 3-Conklin. 100-YARD BREAST-STROKE: Peterson. Time: 1:10.2. FREESTYLE RELAY: 2-NF Brad Smith, Scott Ramsey, Brian Smith, Bill Weave.)

Turf Tips, Quips

By Doc Minard

With all of the talk about winter racing dates in the Detroit area and only Northville Downs in a position to handle such a meeting, top executives of the Detroit Race Course and Hazel Park could well afford a trip to Toronto, Can. for tips on winterizing their plants.

During a recent visit to the fastest-growing metropolis in Canada, one learned that officials of the Ontario Jockey Club gassed-in the grandstand at the Greenwood track and did it in such a manner that there are no obstructions for spectators.

It might be added that the Greenwood grandstand has to be just about the longest in North America, extending for the better part of a quarter-mile and the project of en-

closing the full length had to be one that took a lot of planning. IN CONVERSATION with Public Relations Director Bruce Walker it was learned that the Jockey Club looked long and far for the proper kind of glass and finally decided on a heavy plate glass manufactured in England.

Walker informed us the glass was similar to that installed at the Laurel track in Maryland a few years back. The Jockey Club inspected installations in every section of the United States and Canada before finally selecting the English glass.

It was put together with huge pieces of the thick glass between the sections extending from the roof to the floor of the second deck of the grandstand. There are brackets at intervals but all placed in such a spot that there are no obstructions for the spectators.

More than that the area is heated and has air conditioning. Each works so effectively that never once has the track been bothered with the glass becoming fogged as in many of the enclosed plants in the area.

How the Canadians worked out it still is a mystery to us. We have been told by Walker that the Greenwood plant is old-fashioned when compared to the five level grandstand at the Woodbine track on the north side of Toronto.

Woodbine is considered one of the most beautiful horse racing establishments in North America and is located in an area of Metropolitan Toronto that is growing so rapidly that one hardly recognized it from one annual visit to the track. THERE ARE A number of things in the Toronto operation that could be copied in the Detroit area and all for the better.

For instance, during the late fall and early winter, the races are scheduled to start at 1 p.m. with eight events completed before 4:15 p.m. One could almost set his clock with the offtime for the opening event. It's almost as if the starting gate is released by the clock at 1 p.m., the horses are leaving the gate and racing around the track.

The only delays encountered during a week at the Toronto races came when the stewards posted the inquiry sign or a foul was claimed. Then the next race was delayed while the films were studied. Then back on a 20-minute schedule that is kept.

Since the programs are in the afternoon, the track has an excellent cafeteria with fine food. Strange enough, the concessions are handled by the Turf Sports Service, same as in the Detroit area, but for some reason the food tastes better, the service is better and there appears to be more courtesy by the employees than here.

Questioned why, Walker indicated that the track hires

Falcons Topple Bulldogs

Farmington High's wrestling team posted its second victory in three meets, defeating Bentley, 37-11.

- The results:
98 pounds - Peter Beck (B), decisioned Bill Mason.
105-Steve Beck (B) pinned Dan Longtree.
112 - John Donovan (F) pinned Mike Connaigh.
119-Jim Williams (F) dec. Owen.
126- Dave Burley (F) dec. Gores.
132-like Tiernan (F) dec. Taddonio.
138-Whisler (B) dec. John Naughton.
145-Dennis Stairs (F) pinned Fayot.
155-Kevin Rince (F) pinned Glennie.
167-Coly (F) pinned Bosman.
185-Brad Thompson (F) dec. Apar.
Heavyweight-Rick Bryant (B) dec. Anderson.

a supervisor to check the food situation daily and he keeps the quality of food and service at a high peak at all times.

Asked if the lights for the harness racing track, which is inside the strip for the thoroughbreds, are used, Walker replied that only on special occasions, when it becomes so dark due to weather conditions that it would be hard to see the horses, does the management use the lights.

Good Plunge

Michigan State gained membership in the ICA in 1927 and took its first individual title the same year when Fred Alderman won the 400 in the outdoor track championship meet.



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