

Bentley Nips RU To Retain Lead

Bentley High's basketball record remains perfect in Suburban Six League play. After half the campaign, Bentley has a 5-0 record and the lead. But for some spectacular shooting from the foul line against Redford Union, it probably would be a different story.

Although outshot from the field by 10 and outrebounded

by 13, Bentley took advantage of a parade to the charity line to down Redford Union, 61-39.

At the foul line, Bentley dropped in 29 of 40 while Redford Union missed on 18 of 25.

"What can you say?" an unhappy RU Coach Dave Mattingly declared. "We had

our chances, we didn't capitalize."

It was a typical Bentley-Redford Union battle. It was tight all the way.

BENTLEY LED by five, 17-12, after the first quarter, but it was 28-28 for Bentley at the half and 45-41 going into the final period.

Redford Union led for an

instant in the third period and tied it in the fourth period on a Mark Kemmer basket and went in front briefly again when Bob Shaner hit.

But the Bentley foul shooting, especially by Lou Lovett, was to pay off in the last period.

Lovett made six out of seven free tosses in the closing

period to help stave off Redford Union's constant pressure down to the final buzzer.

In the end, Redford Union had 26 baskets to 16 for Bentley.

IN THE FOUL shooting department, Lovett and Brian Dinsmore were deadly. Dinsmore tossed in nine out

of 10 and Lovett eight out of 10.

Individually, each made more free throws than the entire RU team.

Bentley had five men in double figures—Lovett with 16, Dinsmore with 11 and Dave Veach, Dan Weiss and Tim Bollin with 10 apiece.

Shaner was the big man for

Redford Union, finishing up with 23 points on 11 baskets and one free throw and also hauling down 20 rebounds.

Kemmer was the only other RU player to hit in double figures, scoring 15 points to go along with 17 rebounds.

The loss was RU's third in five league games and all but washed out its chances of catching the fast falling Bentley team.

REDFORD UNION					G	F	P
Everett	4	1	0	2	1	0	2
Hudson	4	1	1	23	4	9	
Shaner	11	1	1	23	11	1	23
Nandi	2	0	0	4	2	0	4
Kemmer	6	2	1	16	6	2	16
Shuk	1	0	0	7	1	0	7
Toritt	2	0	0	4	2	0	4
BENTLEY					26	7	87
Bolin	3	4	10	16	3	4	10
Lovett	3	4	16	16	3	4	16
Veach	3	4	10	16	3	4	10
Dinsmore	1	5	11	16	1	5	11
Shaner	0	1	0	2	0	1	0
Bawulski	1	0	0	2	1	0	2
Yates	4	2	10	16	4	2	10
Totals	16	25	81	16	16	25	81
Bentley	17	11	17	81	17	11	81
R.U.	12	14	10	59	12	14	59



GRABBING A WRIST as he fights for a rebound in the game against Oak Park is North Farmington's Drew Mahalic (54). Watching the action are North's Dave Peterson (40) and Rick Herpich (30). The Redskins rallied in the second half to win. (Photo by Warren Bopp)

Agatha Fails In Catch Up

St. Agatha failed in its bid to play "catch up" against Mt. Carmel and dropped an exciting 38-35 Catholic League Southwest Division battle.

After trailing by four points at the end of the first quarter, St. Agatha fell back by six at the half and seven at the close of three quarters.

Then St. Agatha put on a closing spurt that brought it to within a point of a tie with just under two minutes to play.

A pair of free throws iced the game for Mt. Carmel as St. Agatha suffered its sixth reversal in 10 games.

Charles Schrock with 20 points led four St. Agatha men who finished in double figures. Mark Muron and George Barbour scored 11 each and Tom Churches 10.

Steve Niebrzykowski was the big man for the winners as he rifled in 25 points.

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Two teams from each division qualify for the tourney.

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GC West Seeks Revenge For Lone Loss Friday

Garden City West is sitting on top of the world—the Tri Rivers League's baseball world.

With six straight league victories, including two last week—the first over Crestwood, 73-47, West has dislodged Riverside as the sole occupant of the league's top slot.

The latest successes hiked West's winning ways in the league to 33-2 over the last two years.

Overall in the four years

Chris Babler has coached the West cagers, they're 43-6, along with winning the league title the last two years and reaching the state Class A semifinals in 1970.

WHAT'S MORE, West now has stretched its three year homecourt winning streak to 17 in a row and hopes to make No. 18 Friday — a sweet revenge" when it hosts Melvindale.

It was Melvindale which downed West by two points in the league opener at Melvin-

dale. Since then, West hasn't been stopped in the league and now comes the chance to get even with Melvindale.

Dennis Leszczynski took scoring honors in both of West's games last week.

He had 17, while Mike Kilbourn scored 14, Tom Jones 11 and Gary Nustad 10 against Taylor.

Then against Crestwood, Dennis tossed in 22 points and grabbed 22 rebounds while Nustad contributed 19 and Kilbourn 15.

WEST SHOT in front of Crestwood, 22-17, after the first period and had a 37-24 halftime bulge as Leszczynski made 12 of his points.

Crestwood closed within seven points in the third period before West streaked away to win in a romp.

West dropped in 29 out of 75 from the field to Crestwood's 15 for 34. At the foul line, West sank 15 out of 23 to West's 17-22.

West also had a wide edge in rebounds, 48-37.



LEGS AND ARMS were everywhere in this action at the Redford Union-Bentley Suburban Six League game. Bentley's Lou Lovett (33) and Ron Bawulski (25) have a RU defender smothered as they look for a rebound. Bentley nipped RU to remain unbeaten in the league. (Photo by Tom Donoghue)

Groves Marches Towards Crown

Halfway through the season, there appears to be no way for anybody to dislodge Birmingham Groves as the Northwest Suburban League champion.

While other teams take turns bouncing each other around, Groves has built up a two game bulge in the defense of its conference crown.

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