

# Aggies Charge Over Lourdes

It was an uphill battle for Coach Tom Sankovic and his St. Agatha cagers as Lourdes took the early lead and was in command up to the final minute of play... then the Aggies took charge.

With two minutes remaining, Agatha's Tom Churches sank two freethrows to tie the contest at 44-44 and Mark Miron hit on a short jumper to put Agatha in front for the first time. Gary Campbell added another two pointer and the Aggies were on top at the buzzer, 48-44.

This marks the second cage win over Lourdes as St. Agatha toppled Lourdes in its opener, 54-18. The Aggies stand 5-3 in the Second Division Catholic League West

behind St. Mary and St. Alphonsus.

Lourdes jumped to a 15-3 lead early in the first quarter. "They just came out and blitzed us," said Sankovic.

At the end of the first quarter Lourdes led 19-11, but St. Agatha came back in the second quarter to outscore Lourdes, 11-9, and trailed by six at the half, 28-22.

THE AGGIES rallied in the third quarter and it appeared they would carry a one point lead into the fourth quarter but Lourdes' Dennis Shields hit on a 35-footer at the buzzer to give Lourdes a 40-39 edge.

Lourdes went up by five in the first moments of the final stanza, 48-43. St. Agatha picked away at the bulge and

with two minutes remaining Churches hit his two from the line to even the score at 44-44.

Lourdes missed on its scoring attempt and Miron popped the winning basket. Lourdes missed again on a scoring opportunity and Pat Brown luffed a foul court pass to Campbell who stuffed it home to give the Aggies a victory.

Miron paced the Agatha scoring with 13 points followed by Churches with 10.

SHIELDS led all scorers for Lourdes with 17 points. "This was a great win for us," added Sankovic. "Lourdes was tied with us for third."

St. Agatha travels to Mt. Carmel Friday.

# Lose, 74-56 Falcons Fall

Farmington stayed even with Walled Lake Central for three quarters in the battle of the unbeaten in the Inter-Lakes Conference...

POWERFUL CENTRAL outscored Farmington, 25-14, in the final quarter to capture its ninth win and stand 5-0 in conference play.

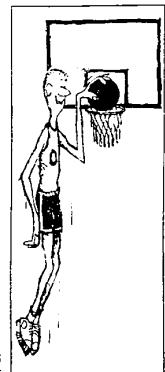
Farmington slipped to a second place tie with Stevenson at 2-1, and the Falcons are sitting on a 3-5 overall mark.

"Central proved too strong for us," said Falcon Coach Ray Boyle. "They have too many big guns to contend with."

FARMINGTON spurred to a 16-15 first quarter edge but was outscored in the second quarter, 21-13, and trailed at the half, 36-29. The Falcons matched Central in the third quarter with a 13 point total but Farmington was running out of steam and into foul trouble.

Joe Montgomery and Dennis Hagen fouled out for

Farmington in the early stages of the final quarter and Central went on to outscore opponents, 25-14, to score a 74-56 win.



"We couldn't stop McLean and his overall height proved to be the margin," added Boyle.

Junior center, 6-7 Randy McLean, scored 24 for Central and totaled 17 rebounds. Steve Serra and Louie Hysni added 15 apiece for Central.

Farmington was led by Montgomery with 18 points. Dan Lekovish and Hagen followed with 13 and 12 points respectively.

Central shot an impressive 48 per cent from the floor, hitting on 28 of 58 field goal attempts while Farmington scored a 40 per cent from the floor on 29 of 50 attempts.

FREETHROW shooting was fairly even with Central going 18 of 30 and Farmington making good, 16 of 27. "We attempted to stop Central with a tight zone and we did limit Serra to only four field goals but Central has too much to stop with one pattern," added Boyle.

Farmington hosts Southfield Lathrup Friday in another Inter-Lakes showdown.

# Clarenceville Drops First Cage Contest

Clarenceville was knocked out of the ranks of the unbeaten as the Trojan cagers fell to Waterford Kettering, 72-71, and slipped to second place in the Wayne - Oakland conference.

CLARENCEVILLE was outbounded for the first time this season, 41-34.

A 30-foot jump shot by Ernie Bragg proved the difference for Kettering in its come from behind victory.

"Too many things went wrong for us," said Clarenceville Coach Ralph Weddie. "We ran into foul trouble and our game pattern went to pieces."

THE TROJANS fought to a 22-18 first quarter lead and held on in the second quarter to lead at the half, 40-37.

Clarenceville 6-5 center, Phil Halstead, ran into foul trouble with four in the first 12 minutes. "I had to pull Halstead and try to save him for the last quarter," said Weddie. "With Halstead out, Kettering was getting second and third shots at the basket and we were forced to slow down the play pattern."

The score seasawed and Kettering pulled ahead by one at the end of three quarters, 52-51. Senior 6-3 forward, Chip Meyrelles, fouled out in the third quarter and Clarenceville was without the services of its high scorer who had been averaging 26 points per game.

HALSTEAD fouled out in the fourth, and Clarenceville was without its top two players.

"We hung in against Kettering and had a six point lead with one minute and 20 seconds remaining," added Weddie.

The roof caved in for Clarenceville as Bill Jackson scored on two successive three

point plays and the score was tied 71-71. Meanwhile the Trojans had missed on three one-on-one plays from the freethrow line and the stage was set for Bragg's 30 - footer at the buzzer.

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# Borgess Scampers By Cabrini, 59-54

Bishop Borgess returned to the basketball win column with a 59-54 victory over Cabrini. The Spartans stand 1-2 in Catholic A - West play and hold a 3-4 overall mark.

Borgess spurred to a 20-15 first quarter edge but the Spartans fell into the style of play that has plagued them all season and Cabrini jumped to a 29-26 halftime lead.

"We went cold from everywhere, the line and the field," said Borgess Coach Tom Denewith. "The first half has been killing us all along... I can't figure it out. We go from greatness to badness and vice versa."

The Spartans outscored Cabrini 20-15 in the third quarter to capture a slim 46-44 edge going into the final eight minutes. Cabrini tied the contest at 52-52 but Greg Battle hit a two pointer for Borgess and Paul Davis dropped in a short jumper to put the Spartans up by four and out of reach for Cabrini.

FOUR SPARTANS hit the double figure mark for Borgess with Battle totaling 13 and Mark Sopko, Craig Scott, and Shawn McCarthy all following suit with 10 points apiece.

Ron Montroy led all scorers for Cabrini with 20. Borgess was outshot from

Jim Hover paced the Trojans with 18 points, followed by Halstead with 16 and Meyrelles with 15.

Jackson led all scorers for Kettering with 31 points.

Clarenceville hosts Clarkston Friday in a first place showdown.

# Leirstein Makes Olivet JV Team

Gary Leirstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Leirstein, 32548 Merritt Drive, Westland, is on the junior varsity basketball team at Olivet College this year, under Coach John Grimes.

The Churchill High school graduate plays forward. While in high school, he participated in football, baseball, and basketball, winning all-league honorable mention.

Borgess hosts Gabriel Richard Friday.

Leirstein, 1971 graduate of Farmington High, received his numeral as a member of the freshman football team at the University of Iowa.

# Falcon Grad WMU Awards

Dan Steinke, 1971 graduate of Farmington High, received his numeral as a member of the freshman football team at the University of Iowa.

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