

Coach of Year

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er at Garden City West.

His charges got off to a staggering start because of injuries. But West rebounded, on four of its last five and capped the campaign by beating Garden City East for the city title.

There was no more exciting team in the area than Farmington under its new coach Bob Miste. The Falcons just missed winning in the Interlake League.

Ha's off to Jack Riordan at Stevenson. He had a team without a single senior, but his opponents all were loaded with twelfth graders.

But Stevenson turned in a very creditable campaign, giving indications of great successes in the years to come on the gridiron.

More bouquets to John McFall at Plymouth, Larry Joiner at Bentley, John Rogers at Redford Union, Gary Humphrey at Garden City East, Ron Holland at North Farmington, Bob Lusk at Glenn and John Trellay at St. Agatha.

This leaves one other coach — Ralph Temby at Clarenceville.

As the ol' saying goes, Clarenceville finished with its greatest season in a decade—seven victories against two defeats.

The Trojans deserted the basement of the Wayne-Oakland League to wind up in second. Much of the credit, of course, had to go to Temby, by whose patience and work paid off for his team, his school, his boys and himself. A "Coach-of-the-Year?" They all were!

Pick All-Stars

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(Franklin).

WAYNE-OAKLAND LEAGUE

End—Jim Amick (Clarenceville).

Back—Mike Nye (Clarenceville).

THURIVERS LEAGUE

Guard—Gary Kelen (Garden City West).

MID-WAYNE LEAGUE

Guard—Charles Vines (Garden City East).

Tackle—Larry Lyman (Garden City East).

Back—Marvin Martin (Garden City East).

INTERLAKES LEAGUE

End—Jerry Tinkle (Farmington).

Back—Chris Norton (Farmington).

CATHOLIC LEAGUE

Northwest Division

End—Tim Audette (Sour).

Tackle—Frank Walsh (Sour).

Back—Cliff LaFond (Sour).

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

Back—Dennis McKenna (St. Agatha).

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Observing SPORTS

By George Maskin

Some times it astounds one how much can be jammed into a single day of his life.

"Like the other morning when we rolled out of the sack and the charming better half stood:

"What's in store for YOU today?"

Note the emphasis on "you."

One really didn't know, but by the time we rolled back into the same sack 16 or 17 hours later, we had to confess to the more important (the 16th) half of our partnership that it had been an interesting day.

Twice in the hours that made up the particular day, we had landed at the airport in Cleveland. Hardly much excitement about that.

Nor was there anything out of the unusual when the United Airliner brought us to a comfortable stop at the terminal in Baltimore.

What was thrilling about the seven or eight mile ride from the airport in Baltimore to the heart of the city?

Nothing again.

But then the phone rings and it's our pal from the days of working on the Detroit Times . . .

Life Berson comes around to say hello. He works in Baltimore now . . . lives just outside of Washington, D.C., in a spot called Silver Springs.

It's now around 4 or so in the afternoon and game time for the Pistons against the New York Knicks is fast approaching.

So you head up the street and Boston points to a new eating establishment.

"Recognize the name," he asks.

In his letters, the sign spells out "Milt Pappas," a native Detroit who signed to pitch a dozen years ago with the Baltimore Orioles and this past season wound up with the Cincinnati Reds in the trade that sent Frank Robinson to Baltimore and produced a pennant and world title for the Birds.

We halted in our tracks . . . took a look inside and there was Pappas signing some pay checks. Memories popped back to days when he pitched for Cooley High and on the Detroit sandlots . . . and how the Tigers let the young star of the future get away.

"Is it true that you're going to retire from baseball?" we asked Milt.

"I'll have to wait and see what kind of a contract they offer," he retorted.

We'll bet now that Pappas pitches again in '67.

From the Pappas establishment, it was across the street to the Civic Center and a happy finish for the Pistons—a victory over the New York Knicks and the end of a long slump for Dave DeBusschere and his crew.

The game's end leaves little time to flit off around. Outside the arena sits a special bus.

Some of the players still are dazed from their showers as the bus pulls out for a 24-hour ride to the National Airport in Washington where a Northwest Airliner will take the team back to Detroit.

The operator of the vehicle steers his craft through the heart of our nation's capital. It's always an exciting scene as you spot the dome of the Capitol itself . . . the towering Washington Monument . . . and then somebody shouts: "There's the White House."

But you know the President isn't there. He's recuperating in a nearby hospital.

The bus makes a left turn. Trainer Doc Shockro notes the Treasury Building on the right.

We make another turn and pass a lighted building.

"Hey, let's stop here," says DeBusschere.

"He's kidding, because the building happens to be where some of our money is printed."

In a minute you're over the bridge, heading into Virginia. Off to the right, you can see in the darkness the Shrine at Arlington Cemetery. Straight ahead, the Pentagon, where our armed forces make some critical decisions these days.

Pretty soon, you're at the airport and the first person you spot is the man who plugs "What's in store for YOU today?"

Richards. He's on the same flight with you to Cleveland where he leaves you to go on to Chicago.

"Got three speeches to make in Chicago," he says.

"Then I go home to Winston Salem, N.C."

Richards is one of those unusual men. One introduction and he remembers your name.

There are a few bumps en route to Cleveland, but a smooth ride into Detroit Metro. Fifty minutes later you're back where you started the day from.

Exciting? We'd be taking it, if we said anything else.

Who was the guy who said on this page last week—Michigan State over Notre Dame by two touchdowns?

It must have been our uncle!

Collegians Snap Long Loss String

A new era has started for Schoolcraft College . . . in basketball.

The days of losing appear over. More fan interest in the team appears to have arrived.

These conclusions arose after Schoolcraft won twice before losing to Lorain College, 85-54, Saturday night in the finals of the Schoolcraft Invitational tournament held at the Northville Community College.

Prior to bowing to Lorain, Schoolcraft had won over Monroe C. C., 71-44, and downed Highland Lakes, 47-36, in the first two rounds of action.

By beating Monroe, Schoolcraft put an end to a two-season losing streak which had hit 24 in a row.

Not once in 18 games did Schoolcraft win in 1965-66.

What's more, whereas 50 or 60 formerly turned out to watch the collegians, some of the crowds for the tournament hit 500.

There's a newness about this Schoolcraft team. Coach Bob Leggat is new this season. So are all but one member of his squad, Jeff Stevens.

Most of the new faces come from area schools . . . players like Steve Moore from Farmington High, Al Joe from Franklin High and Don Cranford from Plymouth.

Moore had 14 points, Cranford and Jose 11 in the victory over Monroe. All the Schoolcraft players got into the action as the team rolled ahead, 35-20, after one half of action.

The win over Highland Lakes was considered an upset. Many of the Lakes players came off the former case powerhouses at Pontiac Central.

In this game, Moore had 17 points, Jose 16 and Cranford 13.

Schoolcraft pulled away in the second half after holding only a 31-28 edge at the intermission.

Lorain had too much for Schoolcraft in the title game, especially when Moore and Cliff Peach, another Schoolcraft starter, had to restrict their actions because of injuries.

Lorain rolled up a 40-25 halftime lead and coasted in. Jose scored 16 points and Cranford 12 for the losers while Cliff Williams led Lorain with 22.

In other Tourney games, Auburn Hills routed West Ontario, 81-41. Monroe beat Western Ontario, 58-42. Lorain clipped Auburn Hills, 82-72, and Auburn won overtime to nip Highland Lakes, 100-100.

The regular season begins this Wednesday night for Schoolcraft at Henry Ford C. C. in Dearborn.

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