

East Grid Fortunes Roar 'Up'

Have the football fortunes taken an about face for Garden City East High?

Coach Gary Humphrey thinks so.

After four straight losses, East has posted two straight shutouts with the latest coming over Taylor Center, 13-0, in a Mid-Wayne League battle last Friday night.

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Belleville, Oak Park and the traditional battle with Garden City West, which also has started to move like a hot potato in recent weeks.

Both the East touchdowns against Taylor Center came in the second period.

Crowell chalked up a 25-yard run to lead the East team in a 65-yard touchdown drive. John Chase slipped over on a quarterback sneak for the marker.

THEN EAST went to work again, this time starting from its own 30.

With Jim Palmer and Gary Spencer doing most the honors, East worked its way to the Taylor 15 from where Spencer cut through for the second and final score of the game.

East relied pretty much on its ground game to get its yards, working for 230 on the run, while hitting on three of only four passes for short gains.

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MIKE ALEXANDER, of Garden City West, breaks for an eight yard gain after a hand-off. In hot pursuit is Lowrey's Ted Kowalski. Alexander's efforts were not in vain, as Garden City West downed Lowrey 27-12, in a game played Friday.



Road Play Tough On Of Tulips In Day

Home has to be a sweeter place for Bedford Union High's football team.

The Townshippers have gone on the road twice for Suburban Six League action and in the words of coach John Rogers "we have been bombed each time."

First it was at Livonia Bentley 33-0, and then last Friday night at Belleville, 31-10.

But this Friday the Townshippers finish their league slate at home, meeting the newly crowned champs from Allen Park.

"I think we have a great chance to beat them," declared Rogers. "We have a good team at home—that we can get the job done."

"Don't ask me what happens when we hit the road."

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THE SPECIES tulips are the first to bloom—sometimes appearing as early as the crocus. Many are gaily colored flowers on short stems. Species tulips are most effective when planted in small clumps and are ideal for rock gardens and little nooks and crannies in the garden.

Single Early tulips, the next

to bloom, are noted for their striking sturdiness. They are excellent massed in beds and borders because of their strong, stocky stems.

Double Early tulips are favorites of many gardeners because of their fascinating colors, long-lasting quality and neat, even growth. The Double Early tulips—which resemble the peony flower—can be planted in partial shade.

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"THE MILD, pleasant weather of Indian summer follows the autumn's first period of cold, wintry days," says World Book Encyclopedia.

"The days become noticeably warmer, but the nights remain chilly. Throughout Indian summer, the sun shines dimly and softly. The sky turns a rich blue and always appears gentle and hazy near the horizon."

"The air remains smoky and still, with almost no wind. An Indian-summer moon often has a soft yellow or orange hue. Another story says the name evolved because this period of

good weather gave warlike Indians another chance to make more attacks on the settlers.

Other parts of the world also have a short period of fine weather similar to Indian summer. World Book says, Europeans generally call it Old Winter Summer or St. Martin's Summer.

Indian summer lasts from a week to 10 days, and sometimes for two weeks. They winter begins."

The American Indians enjoyed Indian summer and looked forward to it. They considered it the special gift of a god.

THE ORIGIN of the name of Indian summer is uncertain. One story says that American settlers named the period after the American Indians, who told the settlers that this period would come.

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Long Pass Early Kills Thurston

For all practical purposes, the second play of the game decided who was to win between Thurston and Birmingham Groves last Saturday.

Groves had the ball on its own 40 when Bob Douglas shot a pass to Greg Wood which was turned into a 60-yard pass-run for a touchdown.

Once ahead, Groves continued to add to its lead and was in complete charge the rest of the way as Thurston only once seriously threatened during the afternoon's proceedings.

Groves picked up three more touchdowns and also added a safety against Thurston which has been having its troubles all season.

Wood scored on a nine-yard run, while Mark Shide went in from the one and Gary Distefano on a four-yard gallop to turn the game into a 28-0 runaway.

Bob Wedge, starting line-backer on the Michigan football squad from Port Huron, is a second generation Wolverine griddier. His father, Edward Wedge, played two seasons at Michigan in the junior varsity in 1947-48.

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Insects Prepare For Spring

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SOME PESTS will "hibernate" in the bark of trees and shrubs. Others will find protection among dead twigs or among leaves and other trash. Still others will survive the winter in the egg stage so they can hatch the moment conditions are right next spring.

A late summer and fall insect spray program, therefore, can serve two purposes. First, it will keep the garden in good condition, especially those late-blooming plants. Secondly, it will eliminate many insects before they can go into their over-wintering stage.

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