

Iowa Tops MSU; Leads Big 10 Race

There's no figuring the 1968 Big Ten basketball race. Each session produces a change at the top.

Going into last week's action, Iowa and Purdue share first. But Purdue was stunned at Michigan, 104-94, leaving Iowa in first place by itself a 76-58 romp over Michigan State.

Meantime, Ohio State roared into second place by routing Illinois, 95-75.

Michigan, now 4-8 in the conference, was led by Rudy Tomjanovich, who drilled in 30 points. Chad Calabria had 20 points and Sam Williams 22 for Iowa while Heywood Edwards led Michigan State with 15 points.

A PENNANT for the Tigers? Well, that's what one of Nevada's leading predicting agencies says. The Tigers have been installed as 11-5 choices in the American League, followed by Minnesota 5-2, Baltimore 4-1, Boston 5-1, Chicago 6-1, California 10-1, Cleveland 15-1, Oakland 25-1, New York 40-1 and Washington 75-1.

In the National League, St. Louis is picked to repeat at 9-5. Then come San Francisco 5-2, Pittsburgh 7-2, Cincinnati 5-1, Chicago 6-1, Atlanta 8-1, Philadelphia 10-1, Los Angeles 15-1, Houston 75-1 and New York 100-1.

FOR THE 18TH straight year, Mickey Mantle has signed with the New York Yankees. Once again his salary calls for \$100,000 plus.

THE WORLD championship Philadelphia 76ers have announced they have voted against participating in the NBA playoffs. The 76ers, through Wil Chamberlain, dislike the NBA's new setup of three best-of-seven series. Heretofore, the first series was decided on a best-of-five basis.

ONE VERSION of the world's heaviest Monday will be decided Monday in New York when Joe Frazier takes on Buster Mathis. Only three states will recognize the winner as the suc-

Raider 5 Jolted By Kettering

It was sweet revenge for Kettering against North Farmington on the basketball floor Tuesday.

North Farmington had downed Kettering, 44-43, earlier in the season. It was 54-49 for Kettering against the Raiders, who have been threatening all season for the Northwest Suburban League title.

Kettering took a 17-9 lead in the first period, led by 33-22 at halftime and 45-37 after three quarters.

North Farmington then staged a belated rally to crawl within two points of a tie in the final period. But Pete Evans clicked for eight crucial points to keep Kettering in front.

Evans wound up with 25 points while Mike McCoy had 12 points for North Farmington. Hazelroth and Comstock clicked for 11 points each for the losers, who made 19 baskets to 18 for Kettering.

At the foul line, Kettering clicked on 18 of 24 while North Farmington blew 12 of its 22 chances.

NAIA Finals Set For EMU

The state NAIA basketball title will be decided at Eastern Michigan University this week.

Hillsdale College plays the winner of Saturday's game between Detroit College and Michigan Lutheran in the first game of a doubleheader Monday while Eastern Michigan play Aquinas in the nightcap.

The final is set for Tuesday with the winner advancing to the nationals at Kansas City, March 11.

Big Ten Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Iowa	7	1	.875
Ohio State	7	1	.875
Purdue	7	1	.875
Northwestern	6	2	.750
Wisconsin	6	2	.750
Illinois	6	2	.750
Michigan	4	4	.500
Oakland	3	5	.375
Minnesota	2	6	.250



BOB JOHNSON, Michigan State University sophomore goalie from Farmington, recorded a shut-out recently as the Spartans defeated Colorado College, 3-0. Johnson, who started the season as the Spartans No. 1 goalie, has recently been alternating with another sophomore Rick Duffett. In 15 games this season, Bob has a 3.9 goals-against-average and has an excellent 33.2 saves per game.

Agatha Ace Bags 43 Howe Rolls On And On For Wings

A brilliant 43-point individual effort by Jerry Myron paved the way for St. Agatha high basketball team to crush Our Lady of Sorrows, 82-75, in a non-leaguer last Tuesday.

Myron's explosion, a career high for the St. Agatha High star, came as his team seized a 20-5 lead in the first period and never was seriously threatened.

Myron pumped in 15 baskets and hit on 13 out of 17 tries from the free-throw line.

Sorrows actually had jumped ahead 4-0 at the outset. But then in the remaining time in the first period, St. Agatha outscored Sorrows, 20-1, as Myron collected nine points and Dan Sweeney and Jim Howell four each.

CHUCK COSTELLO and Howell each finished with 11 points to go along with Myron's 43 points for the winners.

Mike Hart hit for 27 points and Bob Theisen 20 for the losers.

St. Agatha dropped an 80-60 verdict to Country Day School last Saturday, despite the fact that Sorrows led, 37-33, after one period.

Tom Webster fired in 19 points and Dennis Day 15 for the losers.

It is said Gordie Howe sets a record everytime he scores a goal.

He set several records when he beat Minnesota goalie Carl Wetzel at 17:47 of the first period last Saturday.

With the goal, Howe set new all-time career highs for:

- Most goals - 679.
- Most power-play goals - 180.
- Most winning goals - 107.
- Most 30-goal seasons - 12.

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