

Harrison worries Western Six champions

By TOM BAER

For awhile it looked as if Farmington Harrison was going to do the impossible twice in one season. Harrison upset powerful Northville High back on Jan. 17. Between that time and last Friday night, Northville reeled off eight straight victories and captured the Western Six League basketball crown. Harrison hit the skids and was still sliding until last Friday when it entertained Northville in the season finale.

Northville won, 52-44 but not until it put down a scrappy Hawk squad, which stayed in the game until the final seconds.

"I'm proud of our kids," said Harrison coach Bob Sutter, whose team is

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7-11 overall and 5-5 in the league. "They weren't going to lay down for the Western Six champs. We knew it would be a good game."

HARRISON led, 16-13, after the first quarter thanks to the play of 6-4 center Bob Mason. He scored 10 of his

team-high 19 points in that quarter. But Mason managed just two points in the second quarter, when the Mustangs held a 14-9 advantage.

Northville's Doug Crisen made two free throws with 2:59 left in the half to put the winners ahead, 22-20. Harrison tied the game after that, but it never again led.

If the Hawks were going to break open the game, the second quarter would have a good time to do it. Tom Eis, Northville's 6-4 center spent most of the quarter on the bench with three fouls. Eis was back on the court in the second half, scoring six of his nine points and rebounding well.

NORTHVILLE extended its lead to 41-33 after three quarters, but then Harrison started a comeback. Mark Borzak's basket with 2:07 left made it 49-44. Northville used about a minute with a stall, which ended with Al Benedict being fouled and making one free throw.

Mike Campbell, a 5-11 guard, led the Mustangs with 14 points on seven field goals. Guard Scott Lew added 13 points, and Crisen had seven.

Borzak contributed 10 points to Harrison's cause. Paul Wick had seven points, while Jeff Otto and Mike Styles each had four.

Northville shot 50 per cent from the floor. Harrison shot 48 per cent.

"That's not a bad shooting percentage for us," Sutter said. "But we didn't take enough shots. Their zone defense hurt us quite a bit in the shooting department."

Harrison outrebounded Northville, 25-19. Mason grabbed nine for the Hawks. Eis had 11 for the Mustangs.

Northville, which finished 19-1 overall and 9-1 in the league, plays next against Southfield High in the opening game of the Southfield district tournament at 7 p.m. on Monday (Feb. 24).

Harrison plays next on Wednesday (Feb. 26) in the North Farmington district. The Hawks play the winner of the North Farmington-Bloomfield Hills Andover game at 7 p.m.

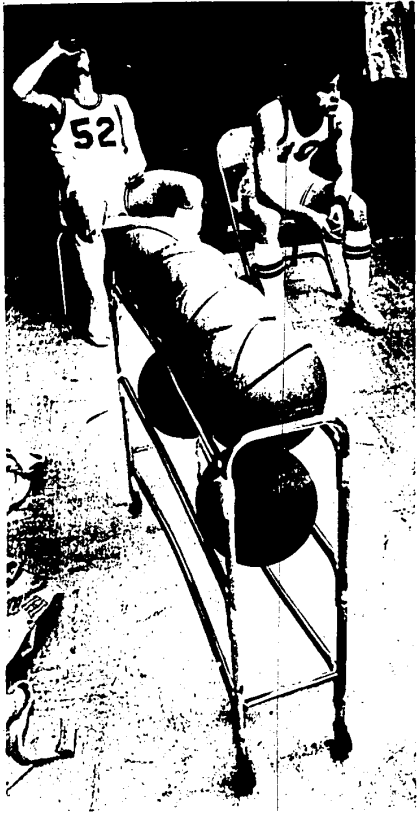
"Well, 7-11," Sutter reflected. "Maybe that's a sign that we'll be lucky in the districts."

NORTHVILLE (52): Eis 4, 1-1, 9; Crisen 2, 3-4, 7; Boland 1, 0-0, 2; Lew 5, 3-5, 13; Benedict 1, 1-3, 3; Campbell 7, 0-1, 14; Piccolo 0, 4-4, 4. Totals: 20, 12-18, 52.

HARRISON (44): Mason 7, 5-7, 19; Otto 1, 2-2, 4; Styles 2, 0-0, 4; Wick 3, 1-2, 7; Borzak 4, 2-2, 10; Lopez 0, 0-0, 0; Stotnick 0, 0-0, 0; Stader 0, 0-0, 0. Totals: 17, 10-13, 44.

Total Fouls: Harrison 18, Northville 11. Fouled out: Mason, Wick, Boland.

NORTHVILLE.....13 14 11 11-32
HARRISON.....16 9 8 11-44



Mike Stylos (52) and Brian Spoutz during halftime



Harrison's Bob Mason near the end of the Northville High game

Kimball trounces Jays in regular-season finale

Southfield High's basketball team caught lightning in a jar when it beat Royal Oak Kimball earlier this season.

But Kimball rebounded to defeat Southfield, 82-60, Friday in the final regular season game for both schools. Kimball outscored Southfield in every quarter but the fourth. The Knights set the pace early, outscoring the Blue Jays, 26-16, in the opening quarter.

Tim Leeper, a 6-3 forward who transferred from Detroit Austin in time for this season, led the scoring with 23 points on 11 field goals and one of two foul shots. Louie Gervais, Kimball's 6-4 center, fired in 19 points. Mark Rowland and Dan Darland added 13 and 10 respectively.

Southfield sophomore Bill Phillips led the losers with 18 points on seven buckets

and two of four foul shots. Steve Loewy scored 10 points and Steve Trowbridge eight.

Kimball made 36 of 65 field goals for a 55 per cent shooting night. Southfield shot 39 per cent, making 26 of 66 attempts. Kimball outrebounded Southfield, 52-30, with Leeper grabbing 16 and Gervais 12. Phillips snatched 12 rebounds for Southfield.

Southfield, which finished the regular season with an 8-12 overall record, plays next at home in a district game against Northville High from the Western Six League. The game begins at 7 p.m.

KIMBALL (82): Chandler 1, 0-0, 2; Darland 5, 0-0, 10; Rowland 5, 3-3, 13; Leeper 11, 1-2, 23; Gervais 9, 1-2, 19; Friess 1, 1-1, 3; Riggs 1, 0-0, 2; Fanning 1, 0-0, 2; Kremer 1, 2-3, 4; Ruff 0, 1-3, 1; Kleimola 1, 0-1, 2; DiPirro 0, 1-2, 1. Totals: 36, 10-7, 82.

SOUTHFIELD (60): Loewy 5, 0-0, 10; Rosen 1, 2-2, 4; Trowbridge 4, 0-0, 8; Phillips 7, 2-4, 16; Wetland 2, 0-0, 4; Justo 1, 0-2, 2; McCal 3, 0-0, 6; Farber 1, 0-0, 2; Ruben 0, 2-2, 4; Williams 1, 0-0, 2; Schubert 1, 2-3, 4. Totals: 26, 18-50, 60.

KIMBALL.....26 24 26 6-32
SOUTHFIELD.....16 12 14 18-60

Eagles tumble

Southfield Christian ended its second season of varsity basketball with a 79-51 loss to Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes last Friday. The loss dropped coach Bruce Calderwood's Christian team to 5-15 this season.

WOLL outscored Christian, 24-15 after one quarter and was never challenged throughout the game. Gary McMahon scored 13 points for the winners. Twelve Lakers scored in the mismatch. Christian's Tom Marks scored 18 points on eight baskets and two of four free throws.

Christian is scheduled to play in the Class D district at Royal Oak Kimball. The Eagles meet the winner of

the Detroit deTorres-Detroit St. Hedwig game at 7 p.m. on Thursday (Feb. 27).

WOLL (79): Siona 3, 0-1, 6; Slizenci 8, 0-0, 12; Smith 6, 0-0, 12; Bishop 4, 0-0, 8; Thiesen 2, 1-2, 5; McMahon 6, 6-1, 3; Brown 2, 1-2, 5; Mull 3, 0-0, 6; Sibel 0, 1-1, 1; Oatwell 2, 0-4, 4; Nuss 3, 0-0, 6; Townsend 0, 2-2, 2. Totals: 37, 5-9, 79.

CHRISTIAN (51): Spruill 4, 0-0, 8; Larson 6, 2-2, 14; Quiggle 1, 4-4, 6; Marks 8, 2-4, 18; Hendon 1, 2-2, 4; Runley 0, 1-2, 1. Totals: 30, 11-21, 51.

WOLL.....24 14 12 29-79
CHRISTIAN.....15 15 12 9-51

Chargers finish 9-10

Adams drops Lathrup in OT

By GLENN BUNTING

Adams nipped Southfield Lathrup 77-70, in overtime Friday, in the Highlanders' gymnasium. Adams hit 10 of 11 free throws in the extra period to clinch the victory.

Lathrup held a five point lead with 53 seconds to play in regulation time, but the Highlanders fought back and tied the game on a 20-foot jumper by Brian Campbell with seven seconds to go.

Adams' Scott Clackie made the first field goal in the overtime, and the rest of the victor's points came via the free throw. Lathrup was outscored by the Highlanders 15-4 in the extra period.

The game was a see-saw battle as the lead changed hand several times in the first half. The score was tied after the first two quarters, and Lathrup had a four point lead going into the fourth quarter before Adams made its comeback.

Clackie led the winners with 24

points, followed by Frank Bell with 18 and Campbell with 14. Bell and Clackie fouled out in the overtime, and substitute John Capella came off the bench to score four free throws to tie it for Adams.

John Harding and Tom O'Rourke led the Chargers with 23 and 20 points, respectively. The loss ended Lathrup's five game winning streak, and evened their record at 10-10.

The Chargers will host district competition this week, and play tonight at 8:30 against Redford Union.

Adams upped its record to 13-7 and will play Thursday against the Pontiac Central-Detroit Mumford winner. Coach Dave Parks' eagles drew a bye in the opening round of the tournament.

ADAMS: (77) Kobus 0, 3-4, 3; Schimmon 1, 0-0, 2; Rurnoch 5, 2-2, 12; Bell 8, 2-4, 18; Campbell 4, 6-7, 14; Clackie 12, 0-0, 24; Capella 0, 4-4, 4. TOTALS: 20, 17-21, 77.

LATHRUP: (70) Harding 10, 3-5, 23; O'Rourke 7, 6-6, 20; Silversteen 3, 0-0, 6; Hawthorne 1, 0-0, 2; Johnston 5, 1-1, 2. Totals: 22, 12-20, 70.

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Sports coming up

- Basketball Districts
- Monday (Feb. 24) Northville High at Southfield High, Ten Mile and Lahser roads, 7 p.m.
- Monday (Feb. 24) Bloomfield Hills Andover at North Farmington, 2300 Thirteen Mile Road, 7 p.m.
- Monday (Feb. 24) Redford Union at Southfield-Lathrup, 1901 Twelve Mile Road, 8:30 p.m.
- Tuesday (Feb. 25) Farmington High vs Livonia Bentley, Southfield High School, Ten Mile and Lahser roads, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday (Feb. 26) Farmington Harrison vs. winner of North Farmington-Andover game, North Farmington High, 2300 Thirteen Mile Road, 7 p.m.
- Hockey
- Tuesday (Feb. 25) Berkley at Southfield Chiefs, Civic Center Arena, 26000 Evergreen Road, 8 p.m.
- Wednesday (Feb. 25) Southfield High at Livonia Churchill, Ford Ice Arena, 3341 Lyndon, 8 p.m.
- Girls' Gymnasies
- Monday (Feb. 24) Taylor Truman at North Farmington, 2300 Thirteen Mile Road, 7:30 p.m.
- Volleyball
- Tuesday (Feb. 25) Southfield-Lathrup at Rochester Adams, Adams and Tenken roads, 4 p.m.