Huron Mark Beats Birmingham Cagers

By TOM McDANIEL

Running wild in the second half, Port Huron swamped Birmingham 75-58 in a high-scoring contest last Friday night there. Rich Robbins, poison to the Maples the last two seasons, led both teams in scoring with a 33-point performance to surpass the Port Huron school record of 30 he set one year ago against Birmingham.

Leading only 35-27 at halftime, the Big Red pulled away early in the third period on a 12 point lead and then climaxed the evening with a stunning 28 point fourth quarter.

The Maples were slow to start and nearly three minutes were played before Bob Peckheiser broke the ice with a short jump shot, making the score 6-2 for the Big Red. Dave Ritchie followed quickly with a long set, but a pair of baskets by Robbins gave Port Huron a six-point lead.

Birmingham scored three quick baskets after trailing 14-6, only to fall behind again when Robbins scored and Gerry Barr sank a free-throw. Field goals by Peckheiser and Ritchie and a freethrow by Peckheiser tied the score for the Maroons early in the second period.

But before the Maples could score again, the Blue Water boys shot ahead with seven fast points and held that lead the rest of the game. The Maples did come close with two minutes left in the second quarter when Bob Stephenson's jump shot closed the gap to 27-25, but Port Huron scored four more baskets to only one for Birmingham, and led 35-27 at the half.

The Maples fell hopelessly behind in the third period, trailing by as much as 13 points with the Big Red offense rolling in high gear. The final period produced some amazing shooting by both teams, Port Huron scoring 28 points and Birmingham 23.

The Maples could not cope with the Big Red fast break tactics, especially Robbins who was frequently in the clear for easy field goals.

Bob Isbell led the Maples with 15 points, followed closely by Ritchie with 14.

The win enabled Port Huron to move into a second place tie with Ferndale, while Birmingham fell into a fourth place tie with Mt. Clemens.

Box Score:

PORT HURON

	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.	T.P.
Robbins	15	3	4	33
Barr	3	1	2	7
Martin	3	2	1	8
Wade	2	3	3	7
Wells	1	0	3	2
Pleta	1	0	1	2
Hart	1	0	1	2
Myles	1	0	1	2
Smith, A.	1	0	1	2
Totals	32	11	18	75

BIRMINGHAM

	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.	T.P.
Isbell	4	7	2	15
Ritchie	6	2	3	14
Stephenson	4	2	4	10
Peckheiser	4	2	1	10
Kwapnieski	3	0	1	6
Kelly	1	0	1	2
Roe	0	0	1	0
Totals	24	13	13	58

Score by Quarters

Port Huron	17	18	12	28	75
Birmingham	12	15	8	23	58

2 Wins Make Swimmers Dual Champs

By WARREN HARDY

Defeating both Mt. Clemens and Ferndale in their home pools, the Birmingham swim team again captured the Eastern Michigan League dual meet swimming trophy.

The Ferndale meet was a complete rout with the Maples taking eight of ten firsts to amass a score of 68-28.

Tom Bechtel, Maple co-captain who swims more than two miles daily, broke the only record at the meet, doing the 200-yard freestyle in 2:02.6.

The final score for the Mt. Clemens meet stood at 56-40 with the Maples victorious.

MT. CLEMENS SET a new record of a sort by having one, and in several cases two false starts for every event.

Ed Bergmann, Mt. Clemens freestyles, swallowed water in the first lap of the 200 yard freestyle and had to be dragged from the pool, adding a touch of excitement to the meet.

The Mt. Clemens 200 yard medley relay team of Duane Gamm, Dick Williams, Don Hall, and Tony Manella set a new school record in 2:05.2

The diving turned out to be a comedy of errors with divers and the official. Error number one: the low ceiling and slippery board provided the meet with dives which resembled nothing on the official diving sheets. Error number two: all dives received high judges' points.

With the forfeiture of Grosse Pointe's wins for swimming an illegal swimmer, Coach J. Jay Myer's record now stands nine wins to one loss.

TOM TRACY, Detroit Lion fullback, will lead the barnstorming Lion basketball team into the Maple gym Friday to play an awesome collection of Birmingham high school teachers in a school assembly. The Detroit cagers have not faired as well as they did last season in the NFL.

Flint Defeats Cranes, 69-45

The first time Flint Tech played Cranbrook this season the Cranes never got over a 27-8 first-quarter deficit which contributed a great deal to Flint's subsequent 20-point victory.

Friday Tech almost duplicated the feat, piling up a 24-8 first-period margin and then increasing it to wallop Cranbrook 69-45.

Although the Cranes outscored Flint 17-7 in the final stanza, they failed to dent the 62-28 lead Tech had built in the three preceding periods.

Cranes couldn't stop the deadly jump shots of Dick Jacobs and Gill Hull, who mustered 19 and 15 respectively. Two other players, Jerry Beebe 14) and Dick Gates (11), hit in double figures for the winners.

Chuck Grube led Cranbrook scoring with 15 followed by Bernie Harris' 12 markers. It was Cranbrook's 11th cage loss as against two wins.

FLINT TECH

	FG	FT	TP
Engen	1	4	2
Williams	1	3	5
Hull	7	1	15
Cates	4	3	11
Jacobs	7	5	19
Beebe	6	1	13
Mourand	6	1	13
Metzker	1	0	2
Krupa	1	0	2
	28	13	69

CRANBROOK

	FG	FT	TP
Grube	6	3	15
Harris	6	0	12
Andrews	1	0	2
Studebaker	1	0	2
McCaul	2	4	8
Ordway	1	0	2
	17	7	45

Score by quarters

Flint Tech	24	18	19	7	—69
Cranbrook	8	14	6	17	—45

Canucks Clout Crane Cagers

Lack of height proved disastrous for Cranbrook's cage team last week. The short Cranes were outjumped, out-rebounded to the tune of 62-42 by a Patterson Collegiate outfit that averaged 6'2 in length.

The closest Cranbrook came to the Canadian team's lead after the first few minutes of play was at halftime when the Cranes trailed 28-21. Thereafter Patterson rolled to a 20-point margin.

Leading the Cranes in scoring were Don Andrews and Bernie Harris with 12 and 11 points respectively. The winners had Dick Skinner and Bob Rustedler in the double figures, each hitting 13.

PATTERSON

	FG	FT	TP
Valentine	2	5-1	9
Skinner	4	5-5	13
Rustedler	3	7-8	13
Yeerman	1	3-5	5
Clark	1	0-0	2
Nolan	3	0-0	6
Harnadek	1	4-5	6
Simpson	2	0-1	4
Welper	1	0-0	2
Newman	1	1-2	3
	19	22-34	62

CRANBROOK

	FG	FT	TP
Grube	2	0-0	4
Stanton	4	1-2	9
Harris	5	1-2	11
Andrews	6	0-1	12
Studebaker	0	2-2	2
Harrison	2	0-3	4
McCaul	0	2-3	2
	19	6-13	42

Port Huron Beats Maple JV's, 56-45

After holding off several Birmingham second half rallies, Port Huron's reserve cagers defeated the Maple seconds 56-45 there last Friday night.

The Maple seconds fell behind early in the game, and although close to tying the score many times in the second half, they never quite caught the Big Red.

Behind 24-18 at the half Birmingham scored two quick baskets early in the third period to trail by only two points, but Port Huron quickly increased the lead. After a Maple basket, ten Big Red points to only five for Birmingham gave Port Huron a 37-31 margin at the end of the third quarter.

Birmingham came from behind again in the middle of the fourth period to trail only 41-39, but Port Huron was not to be denied and quickly pulled away with two fast markers. After that the Big Red had no trouble and won going away.

THE EXPRESSIONS on the faces of this partial home crowd at Bloomfield Hills reflect the tense action as the Barons came within nine points of Harper Woods in the third quarter of Friday's game.

Presbyterian Pads Church Cage Lead

First Presbyterian, notorious for its slow-starting on the hardcourts, was forced to come from behind to beat First Baptist 39-22 Monday in the YMCA Church league.

Steve Hunter, Mike Tolle and John Clark collaborated with Jim Ellis, Bob Proctor and Sam Moray to give the Dark Red their 10th victory against one setback. Coach Larry Smith used his two platoon system with effectiveness for the second consecutive week. Ron Gert with seven markers paced the losers.

In the most exciting contest of the evening, Community Congregational upset St. James 47-39, knocking the Big Red from their first-place tie with Presbyterian and moving the Lathrup five to within a game of second place.

ST. JAMES found it couldn't cope with the fakes and maneuvers of Jay Frazier.

Frazier tossed in 25 points on 11 baskets and three freethrows in heading the fast-rising Lathrup team's attack. The winners trailed 16-11 at the quarter but by outlitting Jim Duffield, Art Chandler and Doug Stoldt in the middle, were able to even the score and go ahead.

St. James, unable to hit from the outside, gradually gave way as Congregational with Bob Benson and Fred Rankin as playmakers, swept to a 31-30 third quarter advantage and then closed off with a 16-9 fourth period edge.

JIM WINK'S Redeemer Lutheran five finally found the right combination and took a 34-30 win over slumming First Methodist. Ahead 19-15 at the half, the Black and Orange used effective blocking plays to work the ball in for layup shots. Jim Summers with 15 points led the Lutheran offensive while Jim Reader and Bob Crowley scored 18 points between them for the losers.

Members of the league will meet at the Barnum Junior high school Monday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. to draw up plans for the play-off starting in March. The coach and one adult representative of each team are asked to attend.

YMCA Church League Standings

	W.	L.	Pct.
Presbyterian	10	1	.909
St. James	7	3	.700
Lathrup Congr.	7	3	.700
Baptist	7	3	.700
Methodist	5	5	.455
Birmingham Congr.	4	5	.444
Lutheran	3	7	.300

Sportsweek

High School Basketball

Friday, Feb. 22:
Ferndale at Birmingham, 8:15 pm.
Waterford at Southfield, 7 p.m.
Bloomfield Hills at Country Day, 7:45 p.m.
Troy at Lake Orion.

Saturday, Feb. 23:
Cranbrook at Nichols.

"Y" Basketball

Monday, February 25:
St. James vs. Birm. Congr., 7 p.m.
Presbyterian vs. Lutheran, 8 p.m.
Baptist vs. Lathrup Congr., 9 p.m.

Games at Barnum

Swimming

Thursday, Feb. 21:
EML League Meet.

Lathrup LL Names Ward Jenks Pres.

In a meeting of the Lathrup Little League last week the following officers were elected:

Ward Jenks, president; Webb Owen, vice president; James O'Leary, treasurer; and Charles Fritz, secretary.

Elected to the board of directors were Norman Jackson, Richard Cogger, Carl Wolgast and Alex Billesdon.

The group scheduled a public meeting at House in the Woods, February 28 at eight p.m.

The league needs men who will act as managers and coaches. A system of co-managers was suggested to ease the burdens of men called out of town on business.

In 1887, Detroit of the National League defeated St. Louis of the American Association in a 15-game "world series," 10 games to five.

RECREATION ROUNDUP

Basketball—Basketball Clinic and informal league for boys 9 through high school age. Saturdays 9 to 11 a.m. The following school gyms will be open for this program: Adams, Baldwin, Pierce, Torry, Birmingham high school, Barnum Jr. high and Pembroke. No registration or fee is necessary. The clinic and informal league will continue each Saturday through March.

Swimming — Spring Swimming Session will begin March 16th for elementary school age children in all classes and for junior high school age youngsters in the intermediate and advanced classes. Lessons in beginning intermediate and advanced swimming will be given at the Barnum Junior high school pool for the elementary school age group and at the Derby pool (when it is completed) for the junior high school students.

Natural Ice Rinks—If the weather stays below freezing there's wonderful skating at Pembroke Park, St. James Park, Poppleton Park and Quarton School.

Sled Run and Beginning Ski Slope—Parents and children alike enjoy the sledding and skiing down the slopes on Cranbrook and 14 mile road. There is parking available on 14 mile road.

Hockey Clinic—The hockey clinic for boys 9 through 14 years of age at Eton Park ice rink, 4-6 p.m. will continue each Monday through March. The only charge is the regular skating fee.

Ice Shows—"Skaters Holiday", a bright new ice show into marked with talent, will open its curtains at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 24th. This show, directed by Miss Vivian Heard, and comprised of students in her classes, promises to be a real treat. Don't miss it!

Adult Night—For those who need the exercise or just want some fun, lively games of basketball, volleyball, badminton, ping-pong, golf driving and fencing are offered the residents of Birmingham at the Birmingham high school gym on Tuesday and Thursday nights, 7 to 10 p.m. 25c per person.

Therapeutic Swimming—At the Barnum pool on Thursday evening from 6 to 7 p.m. The only requirement is a doctor's certificate to file at the Recreation Office. There is no charge and there is plenty of room for all who desire this program.

Figure Skating — Eton Park Ice Rink.
Monday—1-3 p.m. Mothers and pre-school classes in beginning skating. 7-8 p.m. Teenagers classes.
Wednesday—5-6 p.m. Children's beginners class. Registration is now going on. Sunday—1-2 p.m. Senior Figure Skating.
Thursday—4-5 p.m. Beginning boys aged 6 to 12, $1.00 per per month, 6-7 p.m. Birmingham Junior Figure Skating Club for youngsters under 15 years, 7-8 p.m. Parents skating dancing class.

Colts Clinch Title Share

Troy clinched a share of the Oakland B crown Friday, beating Clawson 64-49 while Lake Orion was knocking Avondale out of a first-place tie with the Colts.

Now, either a Troy win tomorrow against Lake Orion or an Avondale loss, the same night, will clinch the title outright for the Colts. The Colts have a league record of 9-2 compared to Avondale's 8-3 mark.

Height proved to be Troy's advantage against Clawson. Although Troy held only a 28-26 halftime margin, the Colts' length began to effect the shorter Clawson team in the second half and they ran away.

Don Killewald's 19 points led Troy's scorers, with teammate Wayne Figley getting 14 for runner-up honors. George Almashy got 13 for Clawson.

Harper Takes Barons, Crown

Harper Woods clinched the Southeast Suburban cage title Friday night at Bloomfield Hills, mauling the Barons 61-50.

It was the 14th consecutive victory this season for the undefeated Woods quintet.

Harper took a 15-5 first-quarter lead and increased it to 28-13 at the end of the first half.

In the third quarter, Bloomfield Hills, led by Randy Barrett, outscored Harper Woods 12-10 and at one time came within nine points of the lead, 32-23.

Harper Woods then pulled away in the final quarter for the victory. Ron Scott led the Woods in scoring 17 points, many of them coming on long jump shots. Bloomfield's Frank Osojnicki (12) and B. Major (10) added to the figure totals for the winners.

Randy Barrett of Bloomfield Hills shared scoring honors with Scott, getting 17.

Cranbrook Wrestlers Beat Jays

Cranbrook's wrestlers won their third match of the season Friday, beating a good Southfield team, 25-10.

Altogether the Cranes won seven decisions and two pins, including two wins by freshman wrestlers Charlie Heatwolfe and John Patten.

The Jays' winners were by undefeated Larry Selinski in the 154-pound class on an 11-5 decision, a pin by Jim Stoia in 3:14 of the second period, and a tie by Dave Hiltz.

SUMMARY:

95-lb.: Heavenrich (C) dec. Rutter, 5-4;
103-lb.: Patten (C) dec. Spear, 11-2;
112-lb.: Miller (C) dec. Minton, 13-0;
120-lb.: Seyferth (C) dec. Dobbertin, 6-2;
127-lb.: O'Connor (C) dec. Johnson, 17-0;
133-lb.: Turner (C) dec. Boring, 8-0;
138-lb.: Ludwig (C), pinned Dunham, 0:47;
145-lb.: MacBride (C) pinned James, 2:16;
154-lb.: Selinski (S) dec. Smith, 11-5;
165-lb.: Marcus (C), Hiltz tied, 1-1;
175-lb.: Stoia (S) pinned Grikscheit, 3:14;
Heavyweight: Burnett (C) dec. March, 3-3.

Green Hornet, 4—Yellow Jackets 0.

Eldorados and Barons Retain Hockey Leads

Ralph Wilkie's Eldorados outshot Bob Hall's Banshees Sunday morning to take a 5-1 decision and keep their one-point lead over the second-place Green Hornets in the Recreation Junior Hockey league.

Goals for the Eldorados came in all three periods, by Tom Stewart and Doug Moore in the first, Bill Phillips and George Forest in the second, and another point by Forest in the final period. The Banshees' lone point was netted by Mike Miles in the middle stanza.

IN A BATTLE of stingers, Dave Mc Cormick, Harmel Gutzeit, Jack McBride, Yellow Jackets, netted two for the Hornets with teammates Chris Kyle and Jim Gibson adding goals in the Junior hockey loop. Second periods failed to change the standings in the intermediate hockey. The first-place Barons, managed by Tom Ordanes, stalemated the unbeaten Stingers 1-1 on a tip-in by one time by edging Kit's Bulldogs, Blue Bombers 2-1 at Lake. Bud Rickey and Ron Cornella scored for the Barons, both goals coming in the second period.

THE BOMBERS' game point came off the stick of John Wilson in the final period.

A scarcity of players forced the Jays to forfeit their game with the Red Wings.

In Intermediate action Sunday the Blue Bombers skated to a 2-2 decision with Gene Gilbert's Red Wings. Both of the Wings' goals came in the first period from Walt Kramer and Steve Landis. John Lay of the Bombers scored one in the first period and John Wall added the tying marker in the third.

SUNDAY the Varsity Stars, champions of the Adult league, will play an all-star group composed of Beavers from the Senior Stars. The game will start at 1:30 at the Ice Arena.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pts.
Eldorados	5	1	0	10
Green Hornets	4	2	0	8
Yellow Jackets	3	2	1	7
Blue Bombers	2	3	1	5
Banshees	1	4	1	3
Barons	0	5	1	1

Schedule Saturday February 23
Barons at Green Hornets
Eldorados at Yellow Jackets

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pts.
Stingers	4	0	2	10
Red Wings	3	1	1	7
Blue Bombers	1	3	1	3
Barons	1	3	1	3
Jays	0	4	1	1

Schedule Saturday February 23
Jays at Red Wings
Barons at Blue Bombers

ADULT LEAGUE

	W	L	T	Pts.
Varsity Stars	4	0	1	9
Beavers	3	1	1	7
Wolverines	2	2	1	5
Wheels	1	3	1	3
Wolves	0	4	1	1

All Star Game Adult League Saturday Feb. 23, 1957, at 1:00 p.m.

Weekend Results

Friday

Saturday

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Barons Win Thriller in Final 5 Secs

Randy Barrett's two-handed push shot in the last five seconds gave Bloomfield Hills its fifth victory of the season Tuesday over W. Bloomfield, 52-50.

W. Bloomfield had tied the score 50-50 with less than a minute to go before Barrett's field goal won the thriller.

Bloomfield Hills overcame a 9-6 first quarter deficit to take a 22-19 halftime edge which proved sufficient. In the second half the Barons were outscored 31-30.

Dave Peury led the Hills attack getting 16 markers on seven baskets and two free throws. Two Barrett's combined for 24 points for the Barons, Randy hitting for 14 and younger brother Bob notching 10.

John Lundam led the W. Bloomfield outfit with 17 points. The Barons' win avenged a 49-29 early-season defeat to W. Bloomfield.

Jays Defeat Van Dyke 5

Sparked by sophomore guard Tom Ridley, who scored 29 points, Southfield's fast-improving basketball team won its second game of the season Friday, outscoring Van Dyke 79-69 in an Inter-Lakes conference game.

Southfield took the lead 21-17 at the first quarter and held it until midway in the third quarter when Van Dyke crept out ahead by one point. The score at the half was 40-37 in favor of the Jays.

At the end of the third quarter Southfield trailed 61-60 but a 19-8 final period rush gave the Jays a hard-earned victory.

Bob Shull, another Jay sophomore, added 20 points to the cause. Bill Rezutt with 27 and Tom Tierney (22) were high scorers for Van Dyke.

Friday the Jays will aim for their third victory when they play Waterford at home, the game starting at 7 p.m.

Bloomfield Hills (52)

	F.G.	F.T.	T.P.
Peury	6	4	16
Barrett, R.	6	2	14
Barrett, B.	4	2	10
Elston	3	0	6
Major	2	0	4
Osojnicki	2	0	4
Totals	23	8	54

W. Bloomfield (50)

	F.G.	F.T.	T.P.
Lundam	7	3	17
Ford	4	1	9
Rose	3	2	8
Bell	2	1	5
Bell	2	1	5
Totals	18	8	44

Score by Periods

Bloomfield Hills	9	13	19	11	52
W. Bloomfield	6	13	17	14	50

Go, Man, Go! Globetrotters Pontiac-Bound

Magicians of basketball, the Harlem Globetrotters will play the championship Philadelphia Spas in the Pontiac high school gym Sunday night, starting at 7:30.

Trotters, unbeaten the past four winter seasons, will be planning for their 5,369 victory in 25,399 tries, since banding together 29 years ago.

As is their custom, the Globetrotters will also bring with them a vaudeville show to be presented at halftime.

DICK SHELDON, former Maple pitching star, will be gunning for a promotion in the Detroit Tiger baseball system when he leaves shortly for spring training in Lakeland. Last year, his first in professional baseball, Sheldon compiled a 9-6 record with Palatka, the Tigers' Class D club in the Florida State league. He hopes to play Class C or B ball this season.

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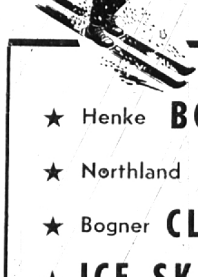
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS' Randy Barrett (left) and Bob Elston battle Frank Osojnicki (15) and another unidentified Harper Woods player for a rebound during last Friday's game on the Barons' home floor. Harper Woods won handily, 61-39, to clinch the Southeast Suburban conference crown.