

Slater Scores 28 Points; Paces Maples to 4th Win

Nine Maples broke into the scoring column last Friday as Seaholm continued its amazing comeback in Eastern Michigan League play, downing Kimball, 76-59.

Big John Slater topped all his previous efforts by chalking up 28 points and winning scoring honors for the night. He was ably assisted by Chuck Hatton (12 points), Jay Shutt (10) and Bruce Nyberg (10).

Slater, who had a chance to break a school record of 36 points, voluntarily left the game with five minutes to play. He told coach Lou Parry:

"Let the others play."

AND THAT'S exactly what Parry did. He emptied the bench, starting in the third quarter after the Maples had built a comfortable lead. A total of 12 boys saw action in the contest.

The point total was a high for Seaholm this season. The Maples connected on 29 of 64 field goal attempts and hit 18 or 24 charity tosses.

Even though it wasn't talked about too much, the game was sort of a grudge battle between the two teams—at least from Seaholm's standpoint.

IN THE LAST game of the season last year, Kimball shellacked the Maples by almost 20 points and the home team did not forget so easily.

Seaholm scored several field goals on layups by the forwards who broke toward the basket from the corner. The Maples led 21-14 at the end of the first quarter, 28-29 at the half and 55-37 at the third quarter.

The Maples, winner of four straight games, moved into second place behind league-leading Ferndale with a 7-0 record. Seaholm has four wins and three losses.

SEAHOLM (76) FG FT TP
Slater 12 4-5 28
Hatton 4 0-0 12
Shutt 2 0-0 10
Nyberg 2 2-2 10
Meyer 2 1-2 3
Wilbur 1 0-0 0
Jack'een 1 1-2 3
Carter 1 0-0 0
Stewart 1 0-0 0
Totals 29 18-24 76

KIMBALL (59) FG FT TP
Hager 9 1-1 19
Newman 3 0-0 12
Meyer 3 1-2 10
Wickery 2 1-1 4
Hoyer 1 1-0 2
Mason 1 0-0 0
Prasley 1 0-0 0
Totals 20 18-24 76

SCORE BY QUARTERS
Seaholm 14 15 12 21-59
Kimball 14 15 12 21-59



SEAHOLM'S JOHN SLATER
Two of his 28 points

Falcons Build 'Extra Margin'

By DAVE PHILPO
Sports Editor

Calm and confident, Jim Kokones stepped to the foul line, paused for a moment, and proceeded to drop in two free throws.

The two points, with 1:05 to go, was just what Groves needed to buoy its spirits and sustain the team's effort in a 60-56 triumph over league rival, North Farmington, Friday.

And it was easy to see that the Falcons, in this particular game, had found two things that had been lacking in the two previous contests, which they lost.

ONE WAS A well-balanced attack (Russ Bitzer had 18, Kokones, 14 and Bill Stephenson, 12)—and the other was an ability to score in the clutch and then stall to put the pressure on the opponent.

When Kokones made the two foul shots, Groves was leading by only three points, 57-54. As far as coach Tom Carson is concerned, this was the turning point of the game.

"This was definitely one of our better ball games," avowed Carson. "We were playing a real scrappy team and we made only nine errors, which is good for us."

THE COACH rated Bill Stephenson as one of his top performers against North Farmington.

"Bill's been doing real well lately. He scored 12 points against Franklin and 12 in this game. And he always comes up with his share of the rebounds."

At the quarter break, North Farmington held a slim, 21-20 lead, but the Falcons passed the visitors

and took the lead before halftime.

BITER, WHO has a very good eye for the basket, had back on several shots as the ball whinned the goal and came out. His 18 points, however, were more than enough to win him game scoring honors.

Groves built up its largest lead, eight points, with 6:14 left to see it whittled down to three. North Farmington had held a three-point bulge until near the third quarter when goals by Zitzer and Kokones put the Falcons back in front.

But the real difference proved to be Groves' ability to stall in the final two minutes of the ball game when four points by North Farmington could have been disastrous.

THE RESERVES won a thriller from the visitors as Jim Kinnison's crew nipped North Farmington, 58-56.

Bill Logan paced the home team with 19 points.

The Falcons will travel to Cherry Hill Friday night in search of their third league victory. Carson's strategy in this contest will be "to outscore 'em."

The team will have three games on the road, Cherry Hill, Riverside and Southgate, before the next home game—against Bloomfield Hills—Feb. 9.

NAME	FG	FT	TP
GROVES	12	4-5	28
Bitzer	7	0-0	12
Whitney	2	0-0	4
Stephenson	4	4-4	12
Kokones	2	2-2	6
Kinnison	4	6-6	14
TOTALS	21	18	60

NAME	FG	FT	TP
N. FARMINGTON	1	0	2
Uhl	1	0	2
Leitch	1	0	2
Anderson	7	0	14
Phillips	2	1	5
Fleming	2	1	5
Gentry	2	1	5
Swing	3	4	9
O'Donnell	3	4	9
TOTALS	21	14	56



UNDIVIDED ATTENTION is given Groves' Russ Bitzer by all five North Farmington players as Bitz hooks one from the free throw line. Despite this interest by Bill Fleming (33), Bill Anderson (31), Lindsay Letcher (21), Joe O'Donnell (43), and Andy Lawing (45), the sharp-shooting Falcons made the shot anyway. Bitzer paced the Groves attack with 18 points to lead his team to their second league victory, via a 60-56 score.

Cranbrook Teams Record Perfect Week in Sports

Teams at Cranbrook made a clean sweep of athletic events last week with victories posted by the basketball team, the hockey contingent and the wrestling squad.

The cagers nipped South Lyon, 48-46, Friday, but it took a fourth quarter rally to accomplish the task. The losers led 36-35 at the end of the third period.

Guard Joe Kimble, third leading scorer in Oakland County with a 20-point average, took game scoring honors with 21.

ON SATURDAY, the Cranes traveled to L'Anse Creuse and easily downed the Lanciers, 61-39. In this game, Kimble tallied 16 and Bill Estes contributed 14.

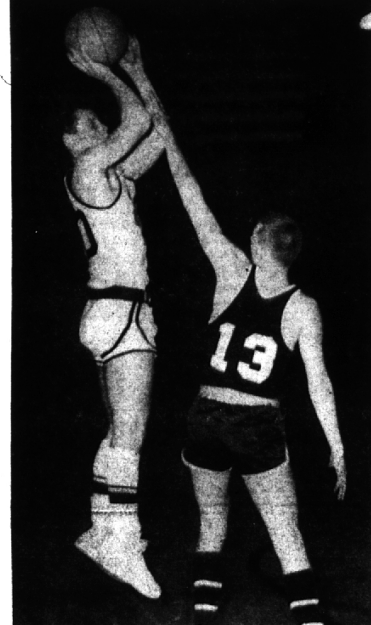
Cranbrook got off to a 28-19 halftime lead and never trailed in the contest. The win gave the Cranes a 4-2 overall record.

The rinkmen moved into the thick of contention in the International High School Hockey league race by drubbing Benedictine, 5-0, at Windsor.

The Crane cagers will go to Madison Heights Friday night to seek revenge for an earlier loss to the Madison team.

Cage coach Hugh Davison feels his players are much improved since the first game and should make a good showing this time. The basketball squad boasts a 4-2 record thus far this season.

WRESTLING SUMMARY
Cranbrook (49)
L'Anse Creuse (3)
Baker (C) pinned Martinez; 103-Wilson (C) pinned Hagg; 125-Rodriguez (C) pinned Schul; 126-Lightfoot (C) pinned Williams; 127-Gee (C) pinned Goldman; 133-Goodman (C) pinned Williams; 134-Stroud (C) pinned Williams; 135-Stroud (C) pinned Williams; 136-Stroud (C) pinned Williams; 137-L'Anse Creuse forfeit; 138-Stroud (C) pinned Williams.



CHUCK HATTON shoots for two of his 12 points in the game against Kimball Friday, which Seaholm won, 76-59. It was the fourth consecutive victory for the much improved Maples after losing three in a row. The triumph was recorded with the help of a well-balanced scoring attack and a tight man-to-man defense thrown up by Seaholm. The Maples travel to East Detroit Friday.

Hero from the Bench: Rice Sub Wins Game!

A 6-2 junior sub for Brother Rice may have earned himself a starting berth on the varsity after Friday night.

Charlie Keller, a forward, starting for the first time, stepped to the foul line twice and sank four foul shots, enabling the Warriors to lead Visitation, 67-54, in an overtime affair.

The defeat dropped previously unbeaten Visitation into a first-place tie with Mt. Carmel, with Brother Rice only two games back in the Catholic League's West Side division.

GOING INTO the three-minute overtime, the two teams were tied, 47-47. Keller, with his charity tosses, broke a 53-53 tie during the period.

Bill Moore, who scored eight field goals and one free throw, was the game's high point man, with 17. Paul Jacobs contributed 16 to the winning effort. Keller collected nine points.

Visitation trailed until the third quarter when the team took a two-point lead over the Warriors, 43-41. Superior rebounding and a better shooting percentage enabled Brother Rice to dominate play throughout the game. The Warriors were ahead, 18-13 at the first quarter and 31-27 at the half.

Presbyterians, Lutherans Win

First Presbyterian remained unbeaten in the Birmingham YMCA senior high basketball league Monday night, downing St. James Episcopal, 56-39.

Gary Smith paced the Presbyterian scoring attack with 19 points. John Bigler was high man for St. James with 16.

IN THE SECOND game of the double header, St. Andrew's scored three points in the last few seconds to nip First Methodist, 44-41, in what proved to be a seasaw battle. Mike Suttle led the winners with 11 points and Tom Montgomery was high for First Methodist with 12.

Two games, pitting First Presbyterian against First Baptist and St. Andrew's against St. James, is scheduled tonight at Derby Junior High. The games will start at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Queen of Martyrs Honors Athletes At Sports Night

Several prominent sports personalities will appear at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs' second annual Sports Night, to be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Brother Rice High School gym.

The event, sponsored by the Dad's Club, will feature Billy Pitts, pitcher for the San Francisco Giants; Bill Freehan, Detroit Tigers catcher; Steve Gromek, former Tiger pitcher; Walt Pipp, former New York Yankee great; Bob Perry, Detroit Piston center; Nick Pietrosanti, Detroit Lions fullback; Jack Simmons, a former Lion and Chicago Cardinal star; and John Panelli, former Notre Dame All American and Detroit Lion player.

FOLLOWING TALKS by Father Hebert, pastor of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, and the guests, a movie entitled "Big League Tips for Little Leaguers" will be shown. Joe O'Connor, coach at the school, will present basketball and football awards to the boys and softball pitchers to the girls.

Prizes to be awarded include a bicycle, an autographed Detroit Tigers baseball, a Pistons basketball and a Lions football. Refreshments will be served.

Jack Kurkowski is chairman of the program. Paul Whelan, Dad's club president, will preside at the affair, and Jack Simmons will be master of ceremonies.

Barons Bounced From 1st Place By Holly, 49-38

Bloomfield Hills dropped to third place in the Wayne-Oakland League Friday night, after suffering its second defeat of the season at the hands of Holly.

The 49-38 victory by Holly, coupled with a 65-44 romp over Milford by West Bloomfield, left the two teams tied for first place, while the Barons (5-2) skidded to third.

Holly held the Barons scoreless from midway in the second period through the first four minutes of the third quarter. The thorn in Bloomfield's side was a tight man-to-man defense thrown up by Holly.

Skating Sessions Set for Adults, Kids in Southfield

Roller skating to music and supervision is available every Monday evening and Saturday afternoons at Southfield No. 10 School for children and parents. Monday evening skating starts at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoon at 1:30 p.m.

A special skate party for seventh to ninth grade boys and girls is available on Saturday afternoons at 3 p.m. in Southfield No. 10 School. Skates are available at the roller rink.

Special roller skate instruction and skating session is available on Monday evenings at Southfield No. 10 School for ladies and young men of high school, single or married. A qualified instructor is available along with skates.



'Wizard of Winter'

John Jay, sometimes called "America's Ambassador of Skiing," will appear at Bloomfield High School, Saturday, Feb. 2, to narrate his latest color film, "Stars in the Snow." Jay, who has turned out 20 feature films on skiing and adventure, comes to the Hills at the invitation of the American Field Service club, to help raise funds to finance the foreign student program. Tickets for the showing may be purchased from the high school or any Birmingham sports store.

Swimming Time

General swimming is available for children and adults at the Southfield High swimming pool, 10 Mile and Lusher roads on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 to 4 p.m. Next registration period for swimming classes is Saturday morning, from 9 a.m. to noon.

"Never fear, Nell, I'm taking my car in for Guardian Maintenance QUICK SERVICE!"

BRING YOUR CAR IN FOR QUALITY Guardian Maintenance QUICK SERVICE!

Front End Safety Special

- Align Front Wheels \$ 7.50
- Adjust Steering \$ 3.60
- Rotate Tires \$ 2.50

Total \$13.60

\$9.99

SEAT BELTS

- 1 SET (1 Person) \$ 9.50
- 2 SETS (2 Persons) \$18.85

Installed Free!

QUALITY MAINTENANCE SERVICE

CHEVROLET

Patterson CHEVROLET Co.

1000 S. WOODWARD • BIRMINGHAM • 644-2735