

Seaholm, Groves Down Rivals to Lead Circuits

Birmingham Seaholm remained unbeaten and on top of the Eastern Michigan League Friday with a 21-7 victory over stubborn Mt. Clemens.

The Bathers, winless in league play, held the Maple offense in check for a good portion of the game but could not overcome Seaholm's powerful defense that not only stifled the Mt. Clemens attack, but set up two touchdowns.

It was the Maple defense that brought about the first two Birmingham scores and helped give Seaholm a 4-0-1 EML record.

ALL OF Seaholm's three touch-

downs came in the second quarter after Mt. Clemens held the Maples to a scoreless first quarter.

Ron Jacobson, the tall Seaholm end who was moved into the defensive backfield by coach Carl Lemle in the Ferndale game a week ago to help defend against passes, proved the value of the switch Friday.

Jacobson snared an errant Mt. Clemens pass early in the second period and traveled 43 yards to score the opening touchdown. Mike Lawrie, Seaholm's fine conversion expert, booted his first of three perfect PAT's and Seaholm led, 7-0.

Mike McCassey then provided the Maples with their final two touchdowns as he combined with Dick Swaney and Brant Conley on scoring pass plays.

McCASSEY ROLLED out after taking a hand-off from quarterback Swaney and then found Swaney alone in the end zone on a quarterback-eligible play.

With 10 seconds left in the first half, Bill Patton recovered a Mt. Clemens fumble on the Bathers' 20, and seconds later, McCassey passed to fullback Conley for the Maples' final TD.

(See MAPLES, 2-E)

W. Bloomfield Dumps N'ville; Ties for First

West Bloomfield moved into a three-way tie for first place in the Wayne-Oakland League Friday with a decisive 25-13 win over Northville.

The Lakers now share the top spot with Northville and Clarkston, who the Lakers meet tomorrow in a game that could eliminate them or leave them sitting pretty.

Quarterback Dan Grieg and halfback John Nemyer were the spark-plugs in the West Bloomfield victory. Grieg passed 44 yards for a TD to Rick Hacht. Northville then evened the count when Jerry French went seven yards to score.

But, Nemyer plunged for one, Grieg connected with Tim Ruen for another and Nemyer sped 16 yards for a final touchdown.

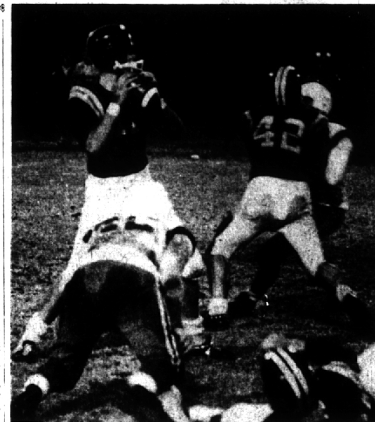
FRENCH scored Northville's final TD but the damage was already done, even though Northville outgained the Lakers.

West Bloomfield withstood a strong Mustang ground assault in the first half and then listened through a fine Northville air attack in the second half.

Both teams gained over 300 yards on the ground, and the Lakers led in first downs, 14 to 13.

The three-way tie is almost certain to be wiped out tomorrow when the Lakers meet Clarkston. A win for West Bloomfield would help tremendously since Clarkston must play Northville in the finale.

West Bloomfield meets arch-rival Northville Hills in the Lakers' final game.



With the help of a good block on an Oak Park lineman by Dave Kawcki (42), Groves quarterback Bill Stephenson spots Al Proctor downfield, cocks his arm and lets fly with a long pass. Result is . . .

REGIONALS NEXT

Maples Get 10th EML Cross-Country Crown

Seaholm's cross-country squad, placing all seven runners in the first 12, captured their 10th Eastern Michigan League crown last Thursday.

The league meet, held at Royal Oak Kimball, was won individually by Maple harrier James Dennis who set a new course record of 9:59.

Seaholm had 21 points to finish far ahead of second-place Kimball, who had 78. Mt. Clemens was third with 86, and East Detroit was fourth with 111.

The last four teams were Ferndale, 135; Hazel Park, 153; Roseville, 173; and Port Huron, 186.

SEAHOLM HAS WON nine straight league championships until they were unseated by Ferndale last year. This time the Eagles were not even in the race.

Pat Richardson of Seaholm was third, Bill Seeholm was fourth, Bill Bacheiler finished 7th, Mike Branic was 9th, Neal Tooran was 11th and Scott Bradley finished 12th.

The order of finish typifies the strong, well-balanced squad coach Kermit Ambrose has fashioned at Seaholm this year.

Jim Olson, the top Maple runner, was held out of the meet due to an injured foot. Ambrose expects him to be ready for the regionals Saturday.

SURPRISINGLY, Seaholm's reserves dropped their first meet of

the season as Kimball edged the Maples, 27-28, even though Eric Hoagland was the runner.

Seaholm now enters the regional competition at Middle Rouge Parkway on Hines Drive between six and seven mile roads.

Approximately 20 or more schools run in each regional meet with the top two teams qualifying for the State Championship run to be held in Ypsilanti. Seaholm and Milford appear the favorites in regional action.

Falcons Crush Oak Park, 34-0

By DICK ZEMMIN
Sports Editor

Birmingham Groves crushed winless Oak Park Friday, 34-0, as the Falcons took over undisputed possession of first place in the Northwest Suburban League.

Due to Franklin-Livonia's 7-0 defeat at the hands of league member North Farmington, Groves remains the only team in the newly-formed circuit with an unblemished record.

There certainly wasn't any doubt that Groves would get by Oak Park. The Redskins put themselves in a hole right at the beginning when Kandy Fraser recovered a fumble on the first play from scrimmage at the Oak Park 26.

REMARKABLY, Oak Park put up a stiff defense and stopped the

Falcons on the Oak Park two-yard line. But, the Redskins offense ruined the fine job their defense did.

After taking over the ball, the Redskins fumbled in their own end zone where Falcon fullback Dave Kawcki fell on the ball for the touchdown. Bill Stephenson converted and Groves led, 7-0.

Early in the second quarter, Kawcki got his second score of the night when he dove in the left corner of the end zone. Stephenson made it 14-0.

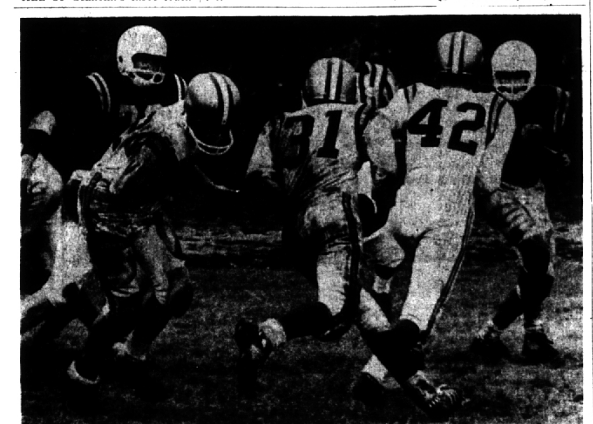
Before the half was up, Groves had registered their third touchdown of the game. This one was sort of a freak. Second-string quarterback Steve Green arched a long pass downfield to Tom Sheppard.

THE OAK PARK safetyman tipped the ball back up in the air and it fell into Sheppard's arms. The fleet halfback had no one between himself and the goal-line and sped the remainder of the distance to complete the 42-yard touchdown.

(See FALCONS, 2-E)



A 66-yard TD.



JIM GUEST, Country Day's fine senior halfback, put all he had behind this short two-yard run, and it was difference that brought the Yellowjackets a 7-6 victory over Maumee Valley of Ohio. Guest (31), takes

EDGE MAUMEE VALLEY

Country Day 7-6 Victors

Maybe you could call it the "seven year itch." At any rate, Country Day felt good enough to beat Maumee Valley of Ohio, 7-6, for their first win in the series in seven years.

It was quite an inspiring win, too. The Yellowjackets had to come from behind to do it in the fourth quarter.

The two clubs battled to a scoreless first-half and were still on even terms in the third period when Maumee took advantage of a break.

Country Day's John Spomer stepped back on his own 5 to punt. Lynn Mesnard broke in and blocked the kick near the goal-line. Several plays later, Mesnard cracked over to give Maumee a 6-0 lead. The all-important PAT was no good.

IN THE fourth quarter, Jon Marks, who gained 162 yards in 14 carries for Country Day, made one of his 10 unsanitized tackles count. He jarred the Maumee ball-carrier enough to knock the ball loose

and Al Saylor recovered for the Yellowjackets on the Maumee 20. Rett Nichols dove over from the two to tie the score at 6-6 and on the try for extra point, quarterback Steve Serin called on halfback Jim Guest.

The senior back responded with a two-yard run into the end zone to give the Yellowjackets their well-earned 7-6 triumph.

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All-City Band Night Features 4 School Bands at Seaholm

Four junior and senior high school bands will participate in the All-City Band Night at half-time of the Seaholm-East Detroit game tomorrow night.

The game, scheduled for 8 p.m. at Seaholm's field, will feature 350 musicians from the Barnum, Derby, Groves and Seaholm bands.

"Salute to the Navy" will be the theme of the music program with formations including an anchor-ship and the word "Navy."

Conductors of the bands are: Barnum, Eugene Hanson; Derby, Roger Kramer; Groves, Burton Bronsart; Seaholm, Robert Kutcher.

Cranes Win Once; Lose 2 In Cleveland

With the exception of cross-country, Cranbrook's athletic team did not fare too well on their trip to Cleveland to play the University School.

The Crane football squad lost their second Int-State Prep League game, 27-0. Trailing 6-0, a penalty put Cranbrook in a hole they never were able to overcome.

Paul Shank dropped back to punt on his own 45. A high pass forced him to pass and he hit end Bud Mieras for the first down. But, the linemen took a charge for the kick, ran downfield and the Cranes lost the ball and were penalized back to their own 30 for having ineligible receivers downfield.

FROM THERE, University went in for their second touchdown and then made it 21-0 at half.

The Cranes had a touchdown called back on a fumble and then gave up the final score in the third quarter to make the final score, 27-0.

In soccer, an undefeated Crane unit staged their typical last minute rally, but this one was a minute too late.

Heavily favored, Cranbrook found themselves trailing 3-0 going into the final period. Jim Hau scored his first varsity goal and Bob Heaverstick added another to make it 3-2. But before the Crane could muster another attack, the clock ran out. Cranbrook is now 3-1-1 in league play and must face Western Reserve Saturday.

THE ONLY good news came from the cross-country squad, which walloped Country Day by the perfect score of 16-47.

John Coburn notched his fifth win in as many runs with a 9:28 time over a shortened course. Al Risch, Pete Elliott, Bob Franklin and Jeff Hipps placed second through fifth in the sweep.

Speicher Wins Meet But Falcons are 4th

If only Groves had a few more runners like Jim Speicher.

The lanky Falcon cross-country star won another meet last Thursday, and this time it was the big one—the league conference run.

Speicher nailed down 1st place for Groves, but the Birmingham school simply had no one else to help out.

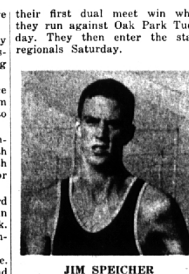
Livonia-Franklin won the Northwest regional championship with 38 points after a close dual with Thurston, who had to settle for second with 45 points.

North Farmington was third with 62 and Groves finished in fourth place ahead of Oak Park. The Falcons had 89 points compared to the Redskins' 126.

Speicher was never in trouble. He was fifth at the beginning, and at the half-way mark, he took the lead.

In the final mile, he opened his margin to a greater distance and finished 15 seconds ahead of his nearest competitor. Speicher's time for the run was 9:59.9, his best of the year.

Alan Wright of Groves finished 18th, but the Falcons did not place again until Dick Whiteman crossed the line in 25th place.



JIM SPEICHER

Grid Schedule

FRIDAY
Holly at B'field 3:30 p.m.
E. Detroit at Seaholm 8 p.m.
Berkley at S'field 8 p.m.
W. B'field at Clarkston 8 p.m.

SATURDAY
Country Day at Park, Ind. 10 a.m.
Groves at Liv-Franklin 2 p.m.
W. Reserve at Cranbrook 2:30 p.m.

SUNDAY
DeLaSalle at B. Rice 2:30 p.m.
(Groves)

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Prep Stars of the Week



Lineman

Country Day's offensive right guard and defensive middle guard, Jeff Bisage, gets the Eccentric's lineman honors this week for his top performance against Maumee. Called the mainstay of the defensive line, he is also the key blocker on line plays. The 176-pound junior carried Maumee to fumble twice, the second one leading to Country Day's winning touchdown, 7-6. He has not missed a minute of play all season.

Back

Groves' senior quarterback, Bill Stephenson, is picked as this week's top back, for his performance against Oak Park and his signal-calling all year long, which has been a key factor in the Falcons' bid for the Northwest title. Stephenson rushed for 47 yards and passed for another 68 in the 34-0 win over Oak Park. Also a top defensive ball player, he fills in at end for the Falcons.

A Cow Is a Cow, Is a Deer! Local Motorist Discovers

Next time you pass a horse or cow grazing in a local farm field, look twice, it just may be a deer. Dick Golze, of 4899 Tillamore, spotted a large doe feeding in a field of winter wheat at Big Beaver and Coolidge last Thursday morning while driving to work.

"It was quite a shock to find one this far southeast. She was about 100 yards north of Crooks Rd. and a good 300-400 yards from any cover. She kept right on feeding when I got out of my car," Golze said.

Golze estimated the doe weighed 100 pounds. It was still feeding when he drove away.