

Some Blue & White Sports

(all 1967-1968 school year)

Baseball squad named

The Varsity baseball team has been chosen for the coming season by Head Coach Richard Tyler.

The starting lineup for the April 8 opening game is as follows: Joe Dombrowki, catcher; Terry Spriggs, first base; Mark Lucas, second base; Joe Himmelspach, third base; Jim Flynn, shortstop; Jim McFarland or Tony Himmelspach, leftfield; Bob Henke, centerfield; Chuck Nichols, rightfield.

Also named to the Varsity squad is catcher Mark Donoghue and pitchers Mike Daly, Chris DeBow, Mike Blythe, and Dan Wolfman. Wolfman is scheduled to pitch the opening game.

D.McD.

Wrestling lineup set

Falcon wrestlers opened their season yesterday at home with Redford Union. Tomorrow night, Farmington will wrestle the Raiders at North Farmington.

The Varsity team for yesterday's meet was as follows: Mark Correll at 103 pounds, Roger Cheyne - 112 lbs., Jack O'Connell - 120 lbs., Jim Brandceau - 127 lbs., Glen Caudron - 133 lbs., Howard Broadman - 138 lbs., Jay Cassell - 145 lbs., Don Matson - 154 lbs., Ken Bernardino - 165 lbs., John Snyder - 180 lbs., and John Schowchow - Heavyweight.

D.McD.

Blue & White divisions vie for I.M. crown

With the Intramural basketball season half finished, the teams have already shown tough competition and have played some exciting games. The 14 teams, under the direction of Mr. Robert Burtch, were divided into two divisions, the Blue and the White. The two divisional champions will meet in early March to decide the Intramural League Championship.

The Fugs lead the Blue division with a record of 5-1. With the one exception, the Fugs have never been seriously challenged.

Trailing behind the Fugs are the Java Men, 3-1; the Bear Moons, 3-2; and the Nicks, 3-3. Falling behind them are the Last Chance, 1-4; the Zero, 0-3; and the Maub, 0-5.

An exciting race has developed in the White division. The Nads have breezed thus far this season without a defeat. The defending Intramural champs have a record of 6-0.

Right behind the Nads are the Jay Walk-

ers, 5-1, and the Striders, 4-2. Following in fourth place is the Cave Dwellers, 4-3; then the Squads, 2-3; Flyers, 1-2; and in the cellar, the Zelch Product, 0-5.

Barring any drastic upsets, the Fugs and the Nads should meet in the Championship game, and so an intense rivalry is developing.

Nad Howard Broadman, commenting on his championship contender, stated, "The Nads took it last year, with our new additions, we expect to better last year's record and continue our winning tradition and take the title."

Asked to explain the Fugs' chances of winning the championship, Fug high scorer and co-captain Bob Brown stated, "There is no team that has enough concentrated talent to overthrow the almighty Fugs. Therefore, I predict a crushing victory over the opposing amateur team in the finals."

D.McD.

FHS Tennis team eyes fourth I-L tennis trophy

The Farmington tennis team began practice last week under a new coach, Mr. Dan Collins, in preparation of their defense of the Inter-Lakes Conference title.

The team under former coach Gerald Potter began a tennis dynasty for Farmington, winning three straight conference championships. This year's squad under Coach Collins hopes to continue this winning tradition.

This year's team could be one of the strongest ever with 7 returning lettermen for a 10-man Varsity squad. Included in the returning lettermen is Co-captain Bill Bliss, who was 1/2 of last year's All-Conference doubles team; Co-captain Brian Wanless, who was No. 1 man on the squad during the last portion of the season; and Bob Broan, who carried a 7 win 1 loss record in conference action last spring.

The other returning lettermen who distinguished themselves by playing doubles last season are Dave McDonnell, Howard Broadman, Jim Atkinson, and Don Currier.

A total of 20 boys are trying out for the team. Over a dozen new prospects will be fighting for the three open Varsity spots and the rest will compete for the Junior Varsity team.

The season opens on April 8 against Detroit Country Day.

D.McD.

All Conference cagers

The 1968 Inter-Lakes All-Conference Basketball Team was chosen last week by the five conference coaches.

Inter-Lakes Champion, Pontiac Northern, placed three men on the team. They were Mike Clancy, Bob Traylor, and Don Hayward. Greg Fogle, of Walled Lake, was chosen All-Conference forward, and Stevenson's Jim Olsen also made the squad.

Doug Hamilton, Falcon senior forward, was picked for the second team. Hamilton was Farmington's only representative in the voting.

J.H.

Cagers are 'guinea pigs' for pro 24-second rule

The Farmington - Plymouth basketball teams were used as guinea pigs last Friday in their game at Plymouth. The two teams copied the 24-second rule used by the professionals.

Under the rule, the team with the ball, any time during the game, has to get off a shot within 24 seconds. If the team fails to take a shot within the prescribed limit, it loses the ball on a violation. If a team shoots and the ball hits the rim or backboard, and the same team makes a successful rebound, the 24-second clock starts over again.

The rule is generally successful in preventing a team from stalling and it usually helps speed up the game. The National Basketball Association credits the rule with revolutionizing the pro game since it was installed over 10 years ago.

Plymouth High Athletic Director John Sandmann arranged with the Detroit Pistons to lend him the special set of the 24-second time clocks for the game.

Many coaches and athletic directors, as well as fans, often argue over this controversial rule. Those against point out that it lessens the chance of an upset by eliminating the stall and by speeding up the game.

D.McD.

Williams sensations will run in finals

The twin sensations, Larry and Gary Williams, placed first and second in the Cross Country State Regionals held at the Farmington Country Club.

In spite of the slippery, wet course and the cold weather, Larry won with a time of 10:16.08 while Gary's second place time was 10:17.18.

Farmington Senior High finished sixth out of 18 schools entered in the tournament. Pontiac Central was the winner and, along with second place Birmingham Brother Rice, is eligible for the state title. North Farmington High finished seventh.

Dwight Hulm finished 41st, captain Dick O'Connell 57th, Dave Pardo 61st, and Tim Stoddard 62nd out of approximately 135 runners.

Coach Jerry Young, a former state champion while at Berkley High, still holds the course record at Farmington Country Club. His record time is 10:03.

The Williams Brothers will now run in the State Finals held at Eastern Michigan University, in Ypsilanti.

D.McD.

F.H.S. tennis team moves into first

The Farmington tennis team last week captured first place in the Inter-Lakes Conference with a record of 4-0, extended their overall record to 6-1, and won their sixth consecutive meet, by smashing in succession Stevenson, Pontiac Northern, and Walled Lake.

Farmington barely nipped highly rated Stevenson, needing wins the final two matches to take the meet, 4-3.

Victorious for Farmington were singles players Bill Bliss and Bob Brown and the doubles teams of Don Currier - Ray Ludston and Arne Carlson - Dave Heist.

Brian Wanless lost No. 1 singles, 6-2, 6-2. Dave McDonnell also fell in singles, losing 6-1, 7-5. Bliss continued his fine form and won 6-4, 6-3. Brown clinched the meet with his 6-3, 8-6 victory.

Howard Broadman and Jim Atkinson were overpowered by Stevenson's No. 1 doubles team, 6-1, 6-1. Currier and Ludston had little trouble in their match, winning 7-5, 6-0. Carlson and Heist won their match 6-8, 6-1, 6-2.

The J.V. team defeated Stevenson 4-1. Victorious for the Junior Varsity were singles players Paul White, Dave Detriech, and Mike Foster and the doubles team of Lance Mynerse and Darryl Carlson. The team's only defeat came on Ken Cragg and Gary Rogerson's doubles loss.

Pontiac Northern was the next victim for

the tennis squad. The Huskies were beaten 6-1.

Winning in singles were Wanless (6-3, 6-0), Bliss (6-3, 6-4), and Brown (6-1, 6-0). McDonnell suffered the team's only defeat, losing 7-5, 10-8.

All three doubles teams were victorious. Broadman and Atkinson won 6-4, 6-4; Currier and Ludston won 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; and Carlson and Heist edged their opponents 14-12, 9-7.

Walled Lake was skunked last Friday afternoon, 7-0. All four singles players and all three doubles teams won.

Wanless easily won 6-3, 6-4; Bliss won his fourth straight match 6-4, 8-6; Brown took his sixth straight match 6-1, 6-1; and McDonnell edged his opponent 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Broadman and Atkinson won 7-5, 6-2; Currier and Ludston won their fifth straight doubles match 6-2, 6-4; and Carlson and Heist won their sixth straight match 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.

The Junior Varsity team won 3-1. Detriech easily took his singles match, as did the doubles teams of Patterson - Foster and Mynerse - Carlson. The J.V. team's only defeat was White's singles loss.

With the conference schedule half over, the Falcons are odds-on favorites to win their fourth straight conference crown.

D.McD.

Falcons drop annual Yule Log game

The Farmington Falcons fell short in the annual Yule Log Game, losing to cross town rival, North Farmington, 7-0.

It was the Raiders' fifth victory in the seven year history of the game between Farmington's two high schools.

The Raiders' lone score came on a 61 yard pass play from quarterback Norm De-Coursy to end Rick Knock in the third quarter.

With the exception of that touchdown pass, the game consisted of little more than both teams sliding back and forth across the muddy field.

Quarterback Dan Wolfman led Falcon rushers with 19 yards in 15 carries while completing 6 of 22 passes for 62 yards. Fullback Pete Haglund carried for 11 yards, Paul Misch 8, and John Barth 6 for Farm-

ington's total of 43 yards rushing.

End, Bill Verge, led the pass receivers with two receptions for 47 yards.

North Farmington finished their successful season with a record of 6-3. Farmington ended the 1967 season with their worst record in years, 1-7-1.

The Yule Log game was the final gridiron clash for the following seniors: Jim Wattson, Dan Wolfman, Nelson Wohlgenen, Chris Brown, Pete Haglund, Paul Misch, John Schwochow, Ken Bernardino, Tom Trice, Neil Colley, Greg Faydenko, Jerry Lema, Chuck Gallup, Dick Cripps, Bob Brock, Steve Birkham, Bill Verge, Dave Bush, John Barth, and Bob Henke.

D.McD.

FHS, Southfield to battle Friday night

Farmington will play their last away game of the season this Friday night against Southfield High. This is the Falcons' last game before the big game of the year with North Farmington.

Southfield, a former Inter-Lakes Conference member, finished its league play last week by walloping Berkley, 40-13. The Jays finished in a three-way tie for second place behind Royal Oak Kimball in the South-eastern Michigan Association.

Last week, the Falcons were held scoreless by the Mt. Clemens Bathers. The rain, mud, sleet, and freezing weather, along with the Bathers, all but ruined Farmington's 1967 Homecoming.

The Bathers stayed on the ground and took advantage of the breaks to defeat the Falcons, 13-0. The Bathers gained a total of 298 yards rushing and didn't throw a pass, while Farmington was held to a total offense of a negative 15 yards.

Mt. Clemens scored in the first period, three plays after blocking a Dan Wolfman punt, and recovering it at the Falcons' 14 yard line. Fullback John Stewart smashed 10 yards up the middle for the touchdown.

Their second TD came in the fourth quarter when Bather guard, Sheriod Goudelock, recovered a Falcon fumble in the end zone.

Farmington was only able to advance

into Bather territory twice during the soggy contest.

The Falcons moved 41 yards in 10 plays to the Bather 19 after receiving the opening kickoff, but they lost the ball on downs after that.

Later in the game Farmington moved to the Mt. Clemens 23 where the drive stalled.

The Falcons' record now is 1-5-1.

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Falcons will battle Walled Lake Vikings

The Farmington Falcons will face their toughest opponent of the year this Friday with the Walled Lake Vikings at Walled Lake. Those of you who remember last year's heart breaking Homecoming loss know how tough the Vikings can be.

Undefeated Walled Lake will be especially rough, seeking to clinch its seventh straight Inter-Lakes football crown.

The Falcons fell to last place in the Inter-Lakes Conference, losing to Livonia Stevenson last Friday, 14-6.

The Spartans marched 80 yards following the opening kickoff, topped off by a six yard touchdown run by senior quarterback Jerry Detter. In the second quarter, Detter connected with a 62 yard TD pass to end Dale Wendell to take a 14-0 halftime lead.

Farmington's lone score came from a 22 yard run by halfback Paul Misch in the third quarter.

Dan Wolfman, the Falcon quarterback, kept Farmington airborne throughout the game, hitting 14 of 31 tosses.

D.M

Falcons, Bathers clash in Homecoming game

Homecoming is here again and this year's football battle is the Falcons vs. the Mt. Clemens Bathers. Mt. Clemens is riding high after last week's 20-14 victory over Pontiac Northern.

The Bathers only need one more victory in their conference to become co-champs in the Eastern Michigan League.

Farmington came within seconds of pulling off the upset of the season last week. Defending conference champions, Walled Lake, needed a touchdown within the last minute of play to defeat the fired up Falcons.

The Walled Lake Vikings opened the scoring in the second quarter on a seven yard run by Bobby Zaebst. But senior halfback Chris Brown broke loose for Farmington on a 70 yard punt return to put Farmington ahead at the half, 7-6.

Brown scored his second touchdown of the day in the third quarter on an 18 yard pass from quarterback Dan Wolfman.

But Farmington couldn't hang on to its 13-6 lead in the final quarter as Walled Lake came up with a pair of touchdowns. The first was a 28 yard pass from Greg Fogle to Greg Ghetia. The extra point failed and Farmington still had the lead, 13-12.

A last minute drive by the Vikings ending with a one yard dive by Steve Gegala ended the contest.

With the victory, Walled Lake clinched at least a tie with Pontiac Northern for the Inter Lakes Conference title. Farmington ended its conference season with a record of 0-3-1, finishing in last place.

D.McD.