



Sports Likes

.. And Oelwein Cleaned Up

WITH THE RETURN of some sunlight to the Maynard-Oelwein areas it would seem that life was a little more bearable to those left homeless or close to it. Needless to say we don't know much of what is going on in the sports world so I will attempt to use this space to recall some of the things that I have seen both before and after the storm. Please remember that millions of words would have to be used to picture all that went on both here and in Maynard and of course that is impossible in one issue.

FUNNEL COMES from the south and leaves a path of unbelievable destruction in its path. I have seen the results of such a storm before but to actually be in the center of it is something completely different. I was in front of our house on North Frederick as the storm whipped across the Masonic Temple taking the roof with it. Thanks to Dean Meyer at the KOEL transmitter I had time to send my family to our basement. I had gotten into my car and driven around in front of our house when I saw the funnel approaching and jumped out of the car to take refuge under an evergreen bush in a neighbors yard where I hung on for dear life. The first thing that I saw was the roof of the Masonic Temple sail straight up and then seemingly explode in midair. Although the storm had passed in a matter of seconds it seemed like an eternity. From under the bush I saw a lady driving a black Ford go by as if she were running for her life and indeed she was. Numerous things flew through the air, roofs were peeled off as if by an invisible hand. Windows broke, houses caved in and giant trees were uprooted or twisted off as if they were matchsticks. My car was pushed back down the street into other cars. The brake was set and it was in parking gear and yet it rolled along with the storm but never left the ground. The storm went as it came, like a ghost and the stunned people of Oelwein came out to see what was left and the search for loved ones started.

FLOWERS SURVIVE—A house which suffered heavy damage including a large bay window which was completely gone but in the same window were two potted flowers which were left untouched. Many things like this happened, they can't be explained, but yet they happened. One woman told of men's wearing apparel such as ties coming to rest across Frederick in a Ladies clothing store while items of ladies apparel were found in the men's store.

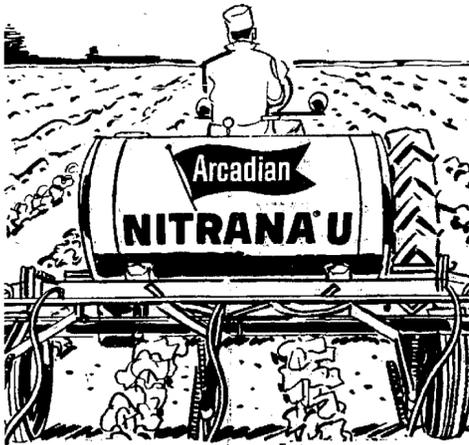
FAST PHONE CALL—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gates were at Earl Moore's garage when they heard the storm coming. Mrs. Gates ran to the phone and called a neighbor in the northeast section of town asking her to see to their children. The neighbor, taking her own children, ran to the Gates home and the protection of the basement. After the storm had passed the Gates' house was on its roof, tipped completely over, laying about ten feet from the original site. With the exception of a bump on the head suffered by the Gates girl all those in the basement were safe.

UPPER IOWA STUDENTS—The town of Oelwein will eternally be grateful to many people, many of whom we shall never know the names. About 500 of them came from Upper Iowa college, came to work and help, needless to say their help was deeply appreciated. I saw one little frail blond girl pitching debris out of the street into the gutters where it could be picked up. Her hands were cut and bleeding but she kept on working. Many of the Upper Iowa athletes who I know so well were doing all sorts of jobs, directing traffic, cutting up trees and putting temporary patches on roofs and etc. When Earl Davis and I attempted to thank one of the girls serving coffee at the Presbyterian church, she shrugged it off and merely said, "Thank the Upper Iowa school administration, they were nice enough to give us the time off from classes."

OELWEIN STUDENTS—OCHS and SHHS students, both those who were and those who are, put their backs to the task of cleanup. One group was removing trees with axes and their bare hands. They asked where a chain saw could be found, they weren't complaining, they just wanted to do more, faster.

BRAVE GIRL—Ruth Wilhelm, a student at OCHS was working at the Grandview Nursing Home when the storm hit. She was feeding a bed patient, realized the danger of flying glass and placed a pillow over the patients head and then threw herself over the patient to protect her, yet leaving her own back to the dangers that prevailed.

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Wapsie V. Gains Sub-State Berth

DENVER — The Wapsie Valley Warriors erupted for seven runs in the fourth inning to defeat Union Whitten 9-1 in the finals of the district baseball tournament Wednesday.

The victory gave the Warriors a 12-0 record for the year and made the fourth team to go to a state tournament this school year. The first to go was the Wapsie girls' softball team; then the girls' basketball team followed by the boys' cage team. The Warriors now advance to sub-state play.

North High of West Union and Decorah battled to a 6-6 tie at the end of the seven innings in another district tournament but heavy rains stopped play at that site. The winner of that game might possibly meet Wapsie in sub-state play. The tie breaker was to be played Thursday but due to communications being what they are we have no word of the outcome of that contest.

Union Whitten scored its only run of the game in the fifth inning while Wapsie was adding a final touch of two runs to their victory in the seventh.

Bob Bailey was the winning pitcher and Long was the loser. If you will remember it was two Long girls that made the Union Whitten girls basketball team click with such good success.

There are four sub-state tournaments with eight teams involved. Wapsie and its opponent will play at a site still to be announced. If they win they would advance to the state tournaments in Mason City on Monday, and Tuesday, May 27-28.

Box Score
Union Whitten . . . 000 010 1 6 2
Wapsie Valley . . . 000 702 9 7 3

Batteries
Union Whitten—Long and Hart,
Wapsie Valley—Bailey and Buh

Records Will Be Broken At State Track Meets, If . . .

There will be plenty of records, some fairly tight team competition, and two of the best B-C track meets in several years if—and that big IF could change both records and championships.

If the weather holds—if the top performers from the smaller schools are not at work in summer jobs—these are the most important ifs. A third is just where the coaches will choose to run the good men in the open events or in the relays.

The occasions are the annual track and field championships sponsored by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. Holstein will be the host for the Class B performers, while Pocahontas will handle the Class C Meet.

Prairie of Gowrie will have some trouble with Manson but should manage to outlast the challenge for the class B title.

These two teams ought to exhibit some of the greatest relay battles in several seasons. Prairie is good enough to win the two-mile, the half mile, and the medley relay races in record times. It ought to be Manson in the mile relay, but Prairie will again be pushing, both for the first and for the record.

Chuck Asher of Carlisle can better both the shot and discuss marks in Class B. Clay Central should be the winner in the Class C race BUT there is no certainty here. Norwalk could upset the favorites but it is Trevnor, the Indoor Champion, that can be the big spoiler. Jerome Howe did not attempt to qualify for the half and therefore will be available for anchor duty in the medley relay. That out to produce a record. Howe, too, is almost certain to wipe out his old mark in the mile.

Lincoln Central of Gruver and Graettinger should gang up on the two-mile relay record now held by the Gruver runners. Boone Valley and Armstrong will help force Trevnor to the medley record, and could beat the Howe team. Armstrong and Clay Central are both better than the current mile mark. Stan Galbraith of Terrell can better the 220 mark if he runs there instead of on the relay teams.

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Second Big Week Of Racing At Independence-Waterloo

Red Droste of Waterloo emerged from the Independence and Waterloo tracks last weekend truly as champion. He ran in eight races and won them all, including the features both nights. This year he is driving a newly constructed Chevelle.

In racing last Saturday night at Independence, Dick Nesteby of Dubuque was a double winner coping the first heat and the A-Semi. He also ran third in the feature. Last years track champion Chub Liebe of Oelwein took second place in the first heat and A-Semi and ran sixth in the feature. The drivers competed for a \$1600 purse.

Tunis Speedway, Waterloo, provided real competition and good racing Sunday night. A crowd of 3400 watched 22 modified cars run for a purse of \$1700. Paul Fitzpatrick of Rochester, Minnesota driving a new Chevelle took first

place in the third heat, third place in the B-Semi and fourth in the feature. Lynn Idler of Iowa, a newcomer to the assn. ran first in the consolation event. Stan Slover of Reinbeck did some fine driving as he took first place in the first heat and followed up with third place in the A-Semi and a fifth place in the feature.

This same line-up of drivers will again be competing this Saturday at Independence and Sunday at Tunis Speedway in Waterloo. Races both nights start at 8 p.m. Warm up laps both nights are at 7:30 p.m.

Postponed

WEST UNION—The Hawk Boys Invitational Track Meet, scheduled for May 16, has been postponed until Tuesday, May 21, at the North High school track in West Union.

No Golf Tournery For Oelwein Site

Oelwein High school principal Herbert Haas reported today that the Glenhaven scheduled girls' district golf tournament will not be held at Oelwein.

The tournament scheduled for today (Friday) was rescheduled for another location, possibly Waverly or Manchester, but Haas said that he doubted that the Oelwein

team would be competing in the event. Most of the girls who are on the Oelwein team were seen around the Red Cross aid station doing their part to help in the cleanup effort. Sandi Hanson, Lindy Bayles and Susan McIntosh worked throughout the day and there were no doubt more which this reporter failed to see.

Upper Iowa Baseball Team Scheduled For Playoff Game

FAYETTE — Upper Iowa exploded with three runs in the fourth and seven in the fifth to upend the Simpson Redskins, 11-6, in the first game of a twinbill Wednesday and then returned to come from behind to win the second game, 6-3, after Simpson had scored three runs in the first inning.

with the first game in Dubuque, Upper Iowa . . . 100 370 x-11 and the next two a double header at the Iowa Conference school.

BOX SCORE
Simpson . . . 300 000 0-3 6 2
Upper Iowa . . . 111 030 x-6 4 1

Joe Reaves hit a three-run homer in the fifth inning of the second game to lead Upper Iowa to a 6-3 win and a sweep of a college baseball doubleheader with Simpson here Wednesday.

Reaves also was instrumental in the Peacocks' 11-6 first game win. He singled in two runs in the midst of a seven-run UIC uprising which brought victory in that game.

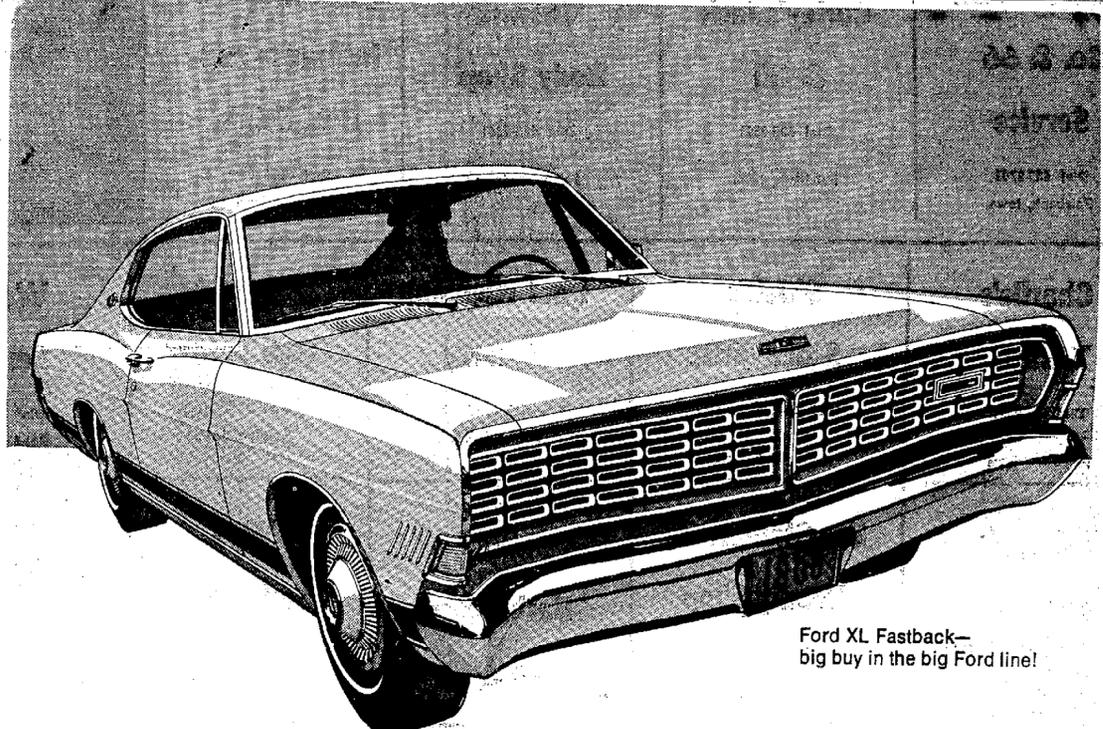
His three-run shot in the second contest broke a 3-3 tie, after Simpson had led 3-0 in the first inning. Pinchhitter Dave Murray also had two runs batted in for the Peacocks in the first game.

Upper Iowa was scheduled to play Buena Vista Thursday at Ellsworth College in Iowa Falls in a playoff game of the district NAIA. The winner of that game is to play a three-game series with Loras for the district title and advancement in the NAIA national playoffs.

The Loras series is scheduled to open today (Friday) at Loras. However, if Thursday's game was not played, that series probably would be delayed. The Loras series will be best two-out-of-three

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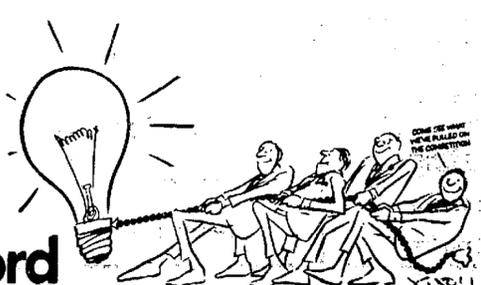


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