



Is That So?

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Dawn Major, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Major, of Oelwein, has been taken off the critical list at a Waterloo hospital and placed in "fair condition."

Dawn and her mother (Carmen) were both hospitalized with severe injuries resulting from the May 15 tornado that hit this city.

"Jim" is a service attendant at Goodyear store on South Frederick in Oelwein . . . an establishment that has repaired 800 tires absolutely FREE during the days following the tornado.

Jim was unable to drive home because of the debris on the 15th and finally had to run. "When I got home everything was simply a mess," relates Jim. "I shook somebody who was standing near all the damage and asked for my wife and kids."

The Major house was the first house east of the CGW tracks on 7th St. S.E. It was a complete loss . . . literally leveled to the ground.

"Carmen took the kids into the basement and everything," says Major who found his family in a neighbor's house. "Everything would probably have been alright except the walls of the basement caved in and buried her and four children (Mona 9, Dawn 6, Talana 5 and David 2.)"

Somehow my wife managed to dig everybody out of that basement and get them clear," sighed Major. Mrs. Major is suffering from a fractured hip, fractured pelvis and crushed vertebrae in the back. She is listed in good condition.

David, the youngest, was completely buried in dirt and Mrs. Major was able to only see a small portion of his hairline. She dug him out with her bare hands, the youngster had dirt in his mouth, and pulled him clear. Then the mother of four crawled through the debris and pulled her family to the safe outside.

Dawn is hospitalized with fractures of both hips and crushed vertebrae.

Major moved with his family to Oelwein last September. The other three children are in Des Moines with his mother.

Over 8,000 stories—in a city that shudders when the sky gets a little dark.

O-O-O

Oelwein Postmaster Lee Finders has been contacted by the post office department in Galesville, Wis. . . . a post card was found in Galesville (25 miles north of LaCrosse) that was apparently carried in the storm . . . from an Oelwein business office.

O-O-O

The National Guard on duty was faced with unusual problems during early stages of its duty here. A WAC visiting with friends had to get to Waterloo and take a flight . . . she was being assigned to duty in Vietnam . . . the Guard arranged for transportation and she reached the airport on time to leave.

O-O-O

The first night of "absolute security" had its humorous highlights (after it was all over). The National Guard, CB Highway Patrol and City Police were acting as roving units to patrol the city and residential areas. The plan looked effective, but it ended up with the enforcement units chasing each other much of the time. The plan was switched during the night . . . and security was perfect throughout the remainder of the blackout period.

O-O-O

John Michaels . . . who worked in Cedar Rapids . . . told his employers that he was leaving for Oelwein to see if his mother was injured in the tornado . . . Mrs. Evelyn Michaels . . . he's now without a job . . . he was told if he leaves "he'd lose his job" . . . he left and he lost it. Mrs. Michaels house was heavily damaged, but she escaped injury.

O-O-O

Anthony Di Biase, grandson of Mrs. Tony Funaro of Oelwein, drove to Oelwein from Chicago the night of May 15 to see if his relatives were safe . . . the communications were completely cut off . . . he was unable to reach the city and returned to Chicago during the night.



CONSTRUCTION MEN FINISH WHAT TORNADO STARTED—Oelwein's First Christian church is currently being knocked down by construction men operating a giant crane to clear the area for safety purposes. The 65-year old structure was heavily damaged in the tornado leaving buckling walls and a collapsed roof and a monetary loss amounting to more than \$100,000. The building was insured to 90 percent of its value and will undoubtedly be replaced.

New Demonstrations Erupt In France Labor Disputes

PARIS (AP) — Premier Georges Pompidou summoned labor and business leaders to meet with him Saturday to seek a solution to the crushing strike wave paralyzing most of France's economic life.

More and greater turmoil threatened, meanwhile, as workers, students and farmers called a new round of demonstrations today a few hours before President Charles de Gaulle's address to the nation.

DeGaulle was expected to give his analysis of the situation and propose broad outlines for a settlement. The government then would try to reach an agreement with business and labor within these guidelines.

The Communist-led General Confederation of Workers, France's biggest union, immediately accepted Pompidou's invitation to meet but expressed that "24 hours are being lost." The French Confederation of Democratic Workers also accepted, but warned that the

strikes would not stop. Students rioted in Paris Thursday for the second night in succession, and authorities feared the violence would increase. Interior Minister Christian Fouchet warned that "armed extremists" hoped to use the demonstrations today to set off violence which would not be controlled.

The National Students Union scheduled demonstrations at four points in northeastern Paris. The Communist-dominated General Confederation of Workers announced two marches across the southern half of the city.

In the provinces, organizations of farmers called demonstrations to show solidarity with the workers and students—and to demand that the government protect them in coming price negotiations with the other Common Market countries.

There was a strong possibility that the marching demonstrators

would have Paris in an uproar by the time De Gaulle spoke on television and the radio.

The 77-year-old president gave no advance indication of what he would say in his first public statement on the two-week-old upheaval that has paralyzed French business, industrial and educational life.

SPECIAL TORNADO ISSUES of Oelwein Daily Register Will Be Sold at Street Corners All Day Sunday Beginning at 10 a.m.

Sunday visitors will have the opportunity to get as many copies as they wish while driving through Oelwein Sunday.

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Accuse U.S. Of Intensifying War

PARIS (AP) — North Vietnamese spokesmen today accused the United States of intensifying the war in both North and South Vietnam despite the fact that "it speaks a great deal about peace and negotiations for peace."

The verbal attack on the United States came from a spokesman for Ambassador Xuan Thuy in Paris shortly after Premier Pham Van Dong in Hanoi claimed the Viet Cong forces in South Vietnam had scored great victories over allied troops.

Dong said Thuy would stand firm at Paris on his government's

terms for peace. This could apply both to long-range settlement issues and to the immediate deadlock in the Paris talks over ending the U.S. bombing of North Vietnam.

It could exclude decisively any de-escalation by North Vietnam in order to get an end of bombing, but it could also be tough talk in general to cover an eventual compromise.

So far as the United States was the target, the attacks from Hanoi and Paris presumably are designed to increase world public opinion pressure on Washington to end the rest of the bombing and other attacks on North Vietnam without exacting any military scale-down from North Vietnam.

"The U.S. begins to use weapons which are condemned by the whole world, including chemical poisons," said Nguyen Thanh Le, North Vietnamese spokesman in Paris. "You know that beginning July 1 the United States is planning to use 10 million gallons of toxic products in Vietnam."

The United States and North Vietnam are moving toward a showdown on the issue of bombing the North, and there is no compromise in sight.

Set Final Schedules For Senior Students

High school seniors are advised to report to the school building Sunday afternoon to pick up caps and gowns according to an announcement from Herbert J. Haas principal.

Students should arrive from 1:30 p.m. Rental fees are \$3.00 per gown and 50 cents for the tassel. A practice will be staged at that time.

Baccalaureate will be held Sunday, May 26, 8 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. The junior-senior prom will be held Tuesday, May 28, in the gymnasium from 8-11 p.m. Commencement exercises will be held Friday, May 31, 8 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.

High school students are asked to report to the high school at 9 a.m. May 28 to turn in books and pay fees. Lockers are to be cleaned and personal belongings cleared from the building.

The only lunch ticket refund that will be made will be to seniors or transfer students. Students may transfer the tickets so they can be used next year.

Offer Help From Development Commission

COUNCIL BLUFFS (AP)—Tornado damaged communities in northeast Iowa will receive funds from the Iowa Development Commission to help assess damage, estimate the cost of rebuilding and plan for redevelopment of their area.

The commission voted here Friday to make an undisclosed amount of money available under a federal-state urban planning assistance program.

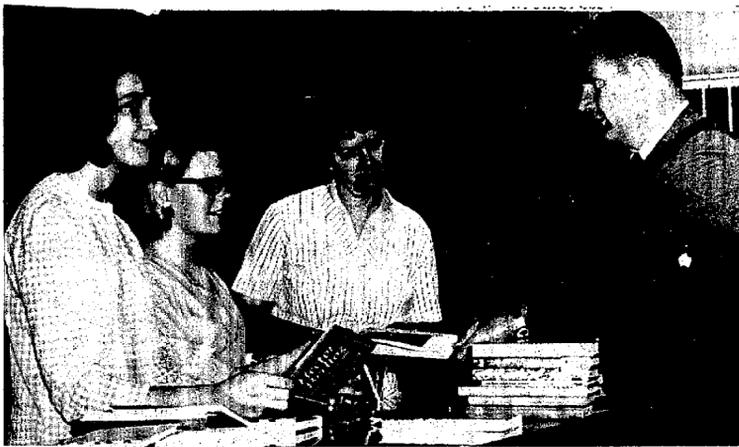
The planning subsidized by such funds should be helpful to communities when they apply for additional federal funds for reconstruction work, commission chairman William S. Farner of Carroll said.

Residents Improve At Hospitals

Oelweinites and Maynard residents who have been hospitalized since the May 15 tornado continue to improve and have been discharged from the hospitals.

Discharged from Mercy in Oelwein were Mrs. Kathryn Beaman, Mrs. Paul Flaucher, and Ben Proctor. Reported in good condition at the hospital are Mrs. Viola Zacharias, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Michael of Oelwein; Mrs. Marjorie Trotter and Julie Trotter, and Mrs. Emily Carlson, Maynard.

The three children of the Gordon Kellys, Maynard, Gerald, Galen and Gary, have been discharged from the Sumner hospital. Discharged from People's at Independence were Henry Warneke and Mrs. John Phillips, Oelwein. Russel Phillips and Mrs. Oma Nefzger, Oelwein, remain hospitalized. Mrs. Lucille Taylor, Maynard, was discharged Wednesday.



WEST CENTRAL OF MAYNARD RECEIVES BOOKS—West Central Librarian Mrs. Wesley Ashby was assisted by students Dora Taylor (left) and Kristy Turner when Principal John "Jack" Kappmeyer handed over books donated to the school from Iowa State Educational Association. The books were a part of many sent to the area to replace volumes destroyed at the school and in homes in the Maynard area during the tornado.

Tug-Of-War At State Democratic Convention

DES MOINES (AP) — Iowa Democrats some 6,000 strong converged on Des Moines Friday for a tug-of-war over national convention delegates for three contenders for the party's presidential nomination.

The chief job of the Democratic state presidential convention will be to choose the 52 persons who will cast the state's 46 votes at the national convention in Chicago in August.

But the 4,059 delegates to the state convention also will elect a national committeeman and national committeewoman, and may be called upon to decide whether to make Gov. Harold Hughes a "favorite son" candidate.

The festivities get under way with a beef barbecue at the State Fairgrounds and speeches by representatives of the three presidential contenders.

Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts will be the speaker for his brother, New York Sen. Robert Kennedy. Minnesota Sen. Walter Mondale will represent Vice President Hubert Humphrey, and Zolten Ferency, former Michigan Democratic chairman and 1966 governor candidate, will appear for Minnesota Sen. Eugene McCarthy.

The party's state constitution cannot be bound to any presidential candidate.

But state managers for the presidential hopefuls agree that all three have some backing in Iowa.

Iowa City attorney William Suel, heading the Kennedy force, in Iowa, says he thinks more state convention delegates are for Kennedy than for anyone else.

But state Sen. George O'Malley of Des Moines, leader of the Humphrey camp, and state Rep. Harry Beardley of West Des Moines, chief of the McCarthy supporters, say they expect to have some delegates who will back their favorites.

A move has been afoot among some Democrats to make Gov. Hughes a "favorite son" candidate as a means of promoting harmony in the national convention delegation. Hughes has said he would



DON JOHANNSEN, former advertising director of the Oelwein Daily Register, was elected president of the South Dakota Press Association at the annual convention held in Rapid City last weekend. Here Johannsen, who is publisher of the Winner Advocate and Tripp County Journal in Winner, is shown at left talking over some of the association's plans with William Owens, immediate past president, publisher of the Potter County News, Gettysburg, South Dakota.

consider accepting such a role and Democratic State Chairman Clark Rasmussen said there is "a very good chance" the state convention will have a chance to vote on the matter.

Selection of the national convention delegates will begin at congressional district caucuses Friday evenings. The caucuses will reconvene Saturday morning to ratify their actions.

The congressional districts will elect 30 of the 52 delegates. Each district will elect three with a full vote each and one with a half vote, and the 2nd and 5th districts will each elect a "bonus" delegate because they have Democratic congressmen. The bonus delegates get a full vote apiece.

Twenty-two at-large delegates—17 with full votes and five with half votes—will be chosen at the state convention which starts at 11 a.m. Saturday. Keynote speaker of the convention will be Gov. Hughes.

Democratic National Committee man Donald J. Mitchell of Fort Dodge has announced he won't be

a candidate for re-election. Lt. Gov. Robert Fulton of Waterloo says he would accept the post and Tim J. Mulgrew of Dubuque also has been mentioned as possibility on the matter.

Over 5,000 Clothing Items Donated, City

Members of Oelwein-area Seventh-day Adventist churches, in cooperation with the Red Cross are in charge of clothing distribution at Oelwein following the devastating tornado that crippled the community, May 15.

Pastor G. D. Rexin, Waterloo, met with Red Cross officials that Wednesday night and established a clothing center in the Sunday School rooms of the First Presbyterian church. Since then clothing has poured in from other Adventist churches in Cedar Rapids, Marshalltown and Waukon. Private individuals as well as many other churches, civic organizations have also contributed heavily.

The world organization of Seventh-day Adventists works with the Red Cross in disasters to provide victims with replacement clothing, bedding, kitchen hardware and some furniture items.

Many ladies from the community and surrounding areas have given valuable assistance to us in sorting, sizing, and arranging the clothing for distribution.

During the first week of operation more than 5,000 articles of clothing, bedding and dishes have been distributed to disaster victims. Pastor Rexin says that the service will be maintained for at least another week and longer if it is needed by the community.

REGISTERLAND Weather and River Stages

REGISTERLAND WEATHER Fair Friday night. Lows lower to middle 40s. Partly cloudy Saturday. Highs around 70. Precipitation chances near zero Friday night, 20 per cent Saturday.

RIVER STAGES DAVENPORT (AP)—River stages: Lansing 9.5 fall .1 Dam No. 9 18.9 rise .1 McGregor 11.5 rise .3 Guttenberg 10.3 rise .4 Dubuque 12.0 rise .5

Hughes Asks \$2 Million For Damage

DES MOINES (AP) — Gov. Harold Hughes has asked President Johnson for \$2,044,000 in supplemental federal assistance to repair damage to public facilities resulting from last week's tornadoes in and near the communities of Charles City and Oelwein.

The governor's telegram said the money is urgently needed. It also noted that the storms resulted in \$53 million in damage and 17 deaths. One of those who died suffered a heart attack several hours after the storm.

The governor described the damage at Charles City as "catastrophic" and said Oelwein and nearby Maynard were badly damaged.

Hughes also reported 370 injured at Charles City and 160 at Oelwein.

The message to the president was sent through the Office of Emergency Planning at Denver.

Jacobson Named Area I Chairman, Northeast Iowa

MAYNARD — Superintendent Robert C. Jacobson, of the West Central Community School of Maynard, was recently elected Chairman of Educational Area I, which includes 22 Public Schools in Northeast Iowa.

As Chairman of Area No. 1, Jacobson will meet in Des Moines on a monthly basis with Paul Johnston, State Superintendent and the Chairman of the 15 Educational Areas in the State.

This office also carries the responsibility of serving on the representative council of the Iowa Association of School Administrators.

Superintendent Jacobson will assume his duties in August. He will succeed E. A. Colbert, Superintendent at New Hampton.

Students Die, Hit From Behind

IOWA CITY (AP) — Two University of Iowa students were struck and killed Thursday night while walking near the Iowa River here.

Police said James R. Vanek, 25, of Iowa City, and Mary Sue Miller, 20, of Randolph, were struck from behind by a vehicle driven by Gregory Ward Burt, 21, of West Des Moines.

Burt was charged with driving while intoxicated, police said.

Sunday Tourist Route Chief of Police James Fortsch stated Thursday that Oelwein residents who live on the route planned for autos carrying tourist would be wise if they parked their cars somewhere off the main route.

"It would be much safer if they would park the cars behind their homes," Fortsch said.

Stock Market

NEW YORK (AP) — An irregular stock market grew firmer this afternoon. Volume was heavy.

Turnover at noon was 6.18 million shares compared with 5.43 million Thursday.

MYSTERY NUMBER TODAY Is Good For \$9

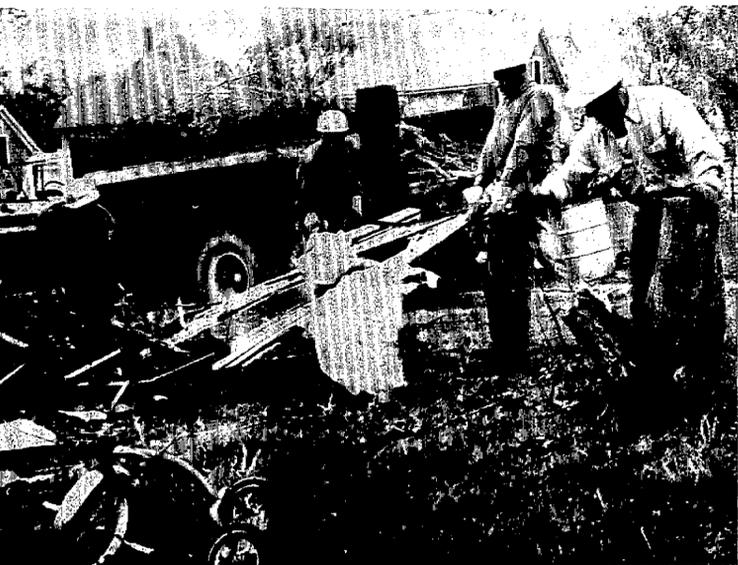
number in upper left hand corner of page one of this issue is your Mystery Number. See if you find an "MN" number in an ad in this issue exactly the same as the number on page one.

Eligibility for a prize is limited to subscribers of the REGISTER prior to the time contest was announced. A subscriber who has the correct Mystery Number cannot transfer the paper to another person.

No Register employee or carrier or their family may enter. Bring your full paper to the REGISTER office no later than 10 a.m. Monday.

If unclaimed, \$3 is always added.

Wednesday's Mystery Number was MN-10,126 in Bummy's Clothing ad. Now check back, would you have won?



JOB CORPS ASSIST IN CLEANUP—Job Corps workers sent to Oelwein from Clam Lake, Wisc., to help out have pitched in to help clean up the city hit by Wednesday's tornado and have remained to help individual citizens clean up around homes. Three of the more than 100 men brought in include, 1 to r, Ole Rice, William Sydnor, and Walton Moore. They were assigned to help Walter Penhollow, 207 Fifth Ave., NE, in the northeast section of the city and are now hauling debris away from the City Hall area.