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by Tom Henderson



Olympic notes

Clearing the desk of the flood of wirecopy transmitted in connection with the 1968 Winter Olympic Games currently underway in Grenoble, France.

As Alain Calmat ran up the 101 steps to light the Olympic flame, the crowd of 60,000 could hear his heartbeat. An electronic device was attached to his chest, and the sound was amplified through the loudspeakers.

Some of the U.S. athletes didn't appreciate the uniforms they wore for the opening parade.

"This uniform is useless after today unless I want to get a job as a bellboy," cross-country skier Bob Gray quipped during the opening ceremonies.

Opinion divided

Gray wasn't the only dissenter when it came to the uniforms, but opinion seemed to be divided, and side-by-side with 36 countries, the American outfit clearly had a better cut and finish than most of the others, according to Associated Press writer Michael Goldsmith.

The Americans wore red-stylish blazers, buttoned off-center, with a white band down the shoulders, dark blue ski pants and dark blue headbands.

The headbands were not regarded as hats, so the American men kept them on while the band played the Marseillaise.

Styles Edwardian

Most Olympic teams' styles were Edwardian during the opening ceremonies with three-quarter length frock coats for men.

The tiny nine-member Liechtenstein team in fur-trimmed Edwardian coats and fur hats was rated by many as the best dressed team on parade.

Russian fur hats were in high favor, but not with the Soviet team, which appeared in blue-and-white wollen caps tipped with a white pom-pom.

Parachutists waited

As part of the opening ceremony, five parachutists were to drop into Olympic rings carved on the infield of the stadium. But before they could jump, snow had to be removed so they could see the outline of the interlocking Olympic symbol.

One of the loudest roars heard at the opening ceremony was for 350 Olympic hostesses who came over the rim of the stadium and marched in formation onto the infield.

Labeled bunnies because of their red rabbit fur coats and tight fitting blue ski pants, the girls are serving as interpreters for athletes, newsmen and officials.

When President Charles de Gaulle sat down in the stadium, one of the bunnies rushed over and tried to place a blanket over his legs. But De Gaulle brushed her away, refusing the blanket, and the girl stepped aside.

Ski controversy

More vital to the Games, however, was the controversy over brand names on skis that flared between the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the International Ski Federation (FIS).

Skiing, of course, represents the backbone and much of the glamor of the Winter Olympics.

Avery Brundage of Chicago, president of the IOC, objects to manufacturers' names on skis, charging it is commercial exploitation of the Olympics. The FIS disagrees.

Failure to agree on this matter could have resulted in all ski events in the Olympics being discontinued. However, the IOC decided Tuesday night that skiing would remain in the Grenoble Winter Olympics, but no skier would be allowed to show any trademarks whatsoever on his skis at the end of his run.

Off the subject

Turning from skiing and the Winter Olympics to baseball, although out of season.

Arthur Daley, sports editor of the New York Times, remembers this story about the late Jake Pitter, short-time major league player, but warm in the hearts of every Brooklyn Dodger fan.

Pitter, while managing in the minor leagues, was discussing in detail the big league potentialities of the various teenagers on his roster with Branch Rickey.

Rickey sceptical

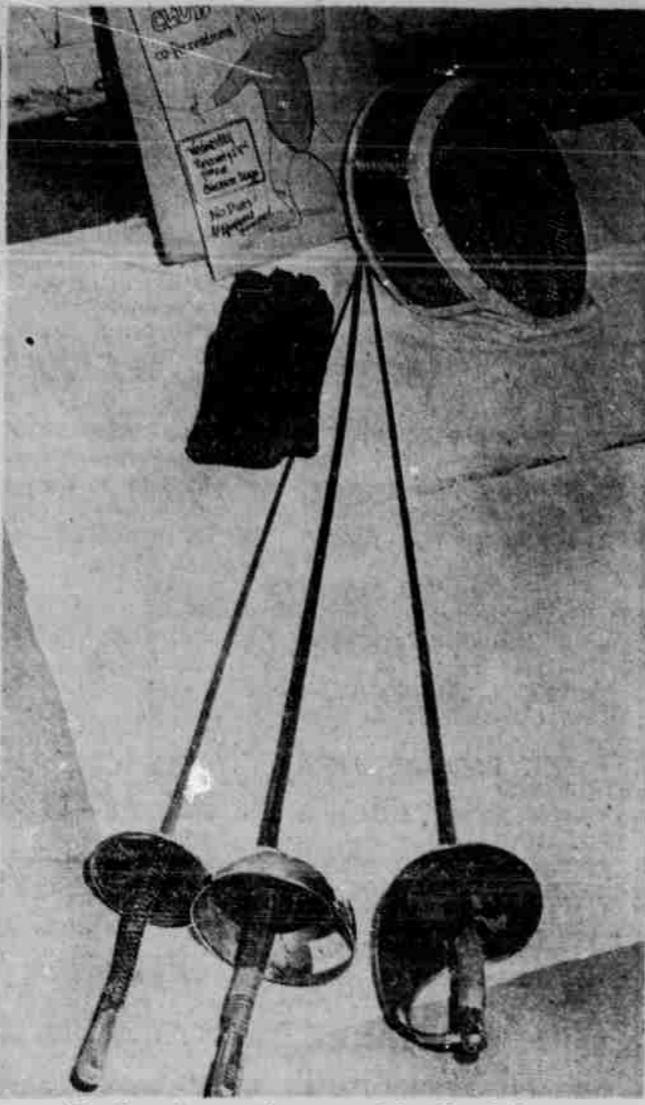
Rickey frowned when his gaze settled on the only adult member of the squad.

"What about this fellow?" boomed Rickey, his sonorous voice filling the room while Jake quailed. "Can he hit? Can he run? Can he throw? Can he do any of those things we look for in a young ball player?"

"No, Mr. Rickey," said Jake in a very small voice.

"Then why in thunderation do you keep him?" roared Rickey.

"Mr. Rickey," said Jake, "He's the only one old enough to drive the bus."



En Garde . . . the eternal battle of the sexes takes a giant step forward next Wednesday when the University Fencing Club begins co-educational recreational foil for NU students. All equipment and instruction will be furnished for the organizational get-together, and the only thing required is an interest in the sport. The meeting will be held on the Coliseum stage.

—Wildcats get 'Wild Man'—

Coach recruited by Mexican meal

Manhattan — When LeRoy Montgomery was out recruiting football players for Kansas State recently, he got a home-cooked Mexican dinner at Manuel Barrera's house in Alice, Texas. Then he got Barrera.

Now, you don't top that kind of a deal because Barrera was an All-America defensive end for Henderson County (Tex.) Junior College. And his mother has to rank

high nationally for cooking Mexican dinners.

She would be a cinch for all Big Eight, anyway, according to Montgomery.

Not too hot

"It's the best Mexican dinner I've ever eaten," says LeRoy, a K-State assistant coach. "Not too hot. Just right. I'd like to take Manuel out to a Mexican restaurant around here and pay him back but he'd throw rocks at it."

Not many football coaches would throw rocks at Barrera. He stands 6-2 and weighs 235 pounds, a delicious-looking morsel to anybody connected with the sport. They called him "Wild Man" in Athens, Tex., where Henderson County J.C. is located. The Wildcats hope the nickname is justified for two more years, at least, because that's how long they'll have his services. He'll probably be tried somewhere in the defensive line.

He kept eatin'

Barrera thought his mother's cooking would be on trial when Montgomery invaded their home for dinner that night. "I wasn't sure he (Montgomery) would like Mexican food," recalls Manuel. "But he kept eatin' and eatin' and eatin'. Man he can eat."

NU star new LSE grid coach

Frank Solich, Nebraska's outstanding running back of the 1963-65 seasons, has been named head football coach at Lincoln Southeast high school.

The 162-pound scrambler amazed NU fans and the nation during his three years under coach Bob Devaney with his uncanny ability to collect 1,074 yards in a game considered only for big men.

Solich comes from two years at Omaha Holy Name, where he built a 2-7 first-year club into a Class B runnerup at 6-2, which won him the metropolitan area Coach of the year honors last year.

At 23, he's the youngest Class A mentor in the state.

Baack, Lantz pressing high-scoring Sooner duo

. . . Huskers rank 4th, 5th in Big 8

Kansas City, Mo. — Sometime during the Oklahoma-Iowa State game in Norman Saturday, the Big Eight Conference will have a new pair leading the league's all-time one-two scoring punch table.

Right now, Oklahoma's Don Sidle and Willie Rogers have accounted for 2,421 points between them. This leaves the two just 24 points shy of the mark (2,444) held by Missouri's Charles Henke and Joe Scott and set during their 1959-61 tenure for the Tigers.

In their two years and 18 games of competition, Sidle has scored 1,463 points. Rogers, crossing the 1,000 plateau this past week, now has 1,018.

However, whether the Sooner pair remains the Big Eight's leading scoring duo of all-time will depend not so much upon how far they surpass the Henke-Scott total, but how long they are able to hold off another high scoring pair of teammate contemporaries, Tom Baack and Stuart Lantz, the top two scorers in Nebraska history.

Baack and Lantz now stand at 2,290 as a combo, both showing career totals of over 1,100. Baack, with 1,174 leads the pair, followed by Lantz with 1,116. This two man total is 113 points behind the figure already established by Sidle and Rogers.

An up-to-date rundown of placings on the career individual scoring table puts Sidle fifth on the list, just 31

points away from moving into fourth, one notch ahead of Kansas' Will Chamberlain, who had a two-year total of 1,433. Baack is now 14th—with 25 more points, he'll move into the top 10. Lantz is 17th and Rogers 33rd.

CONFERENCE GAMES ONLY

| Player | pts | fg | ft | reb | avg |
|----------------|-----|-----|----|-----|------|
| Smith, ISU | 53 | 129 | 70 | 89 | 26.1 |
| Sidle, OU | 57 | 101 | 38 | 64 | 31.2 |
| Cain, ISU | 49 | 107 | 59 | 67 | 21.1 |
| Baack, NU | 57 | 126 | 27 | 32 | 20.3 |
| Lantz, NU | 48 | 98 | 42 | 55 | 15.7 |
| Jones, MU | 46 | 78 | 33 | 51 | 19.1 |
| Tomlinson, MU | 31 | 71 | 47 | 67 | 18.1 |
| Williams, CU | 26 | 90 | 26 | 34 | 16.5 |
| Bohnstiehl, KU | 33 | 59 | 12 | 18 | 13.6 |
| White, KU | 37 | 91 | 18 | 22 | 15.3 |

Rebounding

| Player | pts | reb | avg |
|--------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Smith, Iowa State | 191 | 114 | 11.4 |
| Sidle, Oklahoma | 80 | 114 | 11.4 |
| Jones, Missouri | 63 | 103 | 10.3 |
| Cain, Iowa State | 69 | 95 | 9.5 |
| Heard, Oklahoma | 67 | 95 | 9.5 |
| Williams, Nebraska | 62 | 88 | 8.8 |

FG Percentage

| Player | pts | fg | ft | reb | avg |
|------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| Hawk, Oklahoma State | 21 | 22 | 24 | 14 | 11.4 |
| Baack, Nebraska | 34 | 58 | 38 | 38 | 18.9 |
| White, Kansas | 18 | 22 | 18 | 18 | 18.9 |
| Grady, Nebraska | 30 | 37 | 31 | 31 | 18.9 |
| Abrahamson, Iowa State | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 18.9 |
| Scantlebury, Nebraska | 17 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 18.9 |
| Smith, Iowa State | 70 | 89 | 78 | 78 | 18.9 |
| Heilich, Colorado | 17 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 18.9 |
| Williams, Colorado | 26 | 34 | 26 | 26 | 18.9 |
| Lantz, Nebraska | 42 | 53 | 42 | 42 | 18.9 |

FT Percentage

| Player | pts | fg | ft | reb | avg | |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Iowa St. | 177 | 406 | 169 | 728 | 268 | 74.7 |
| Kansas St. | 190 | 428 | 87 | 612 | 66 | 66.7 |

Current Movies

Times Published by Theater. Times: a.m. 8:30; p.m. 8:00. LINCOLN Cooper/Lincoln: 'Sargeant Ryker', 7:30 and 9:30. Stuart: 'Valley Of The Dolls', 1:00, 3:05, 5:15, 7:25, 9:30. Varsity: 'Firecrack', 1:18, 3:20, 5:22, 7:24, 9:26. State: 'Wait Until Dark', 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00. Joy: 'Fitz Willy', 7:15, 9:15. Nebraska: 'High, Wild and Free', 1:10, 3:05, 5:05, 7:00, 9:00. OMAHA Indian Hills: 'Gone With The Wind', 8:00. Dundee: 'Far From The Madding Crowd', 8:00. Cooper 70: 'Camelot', 8:00.

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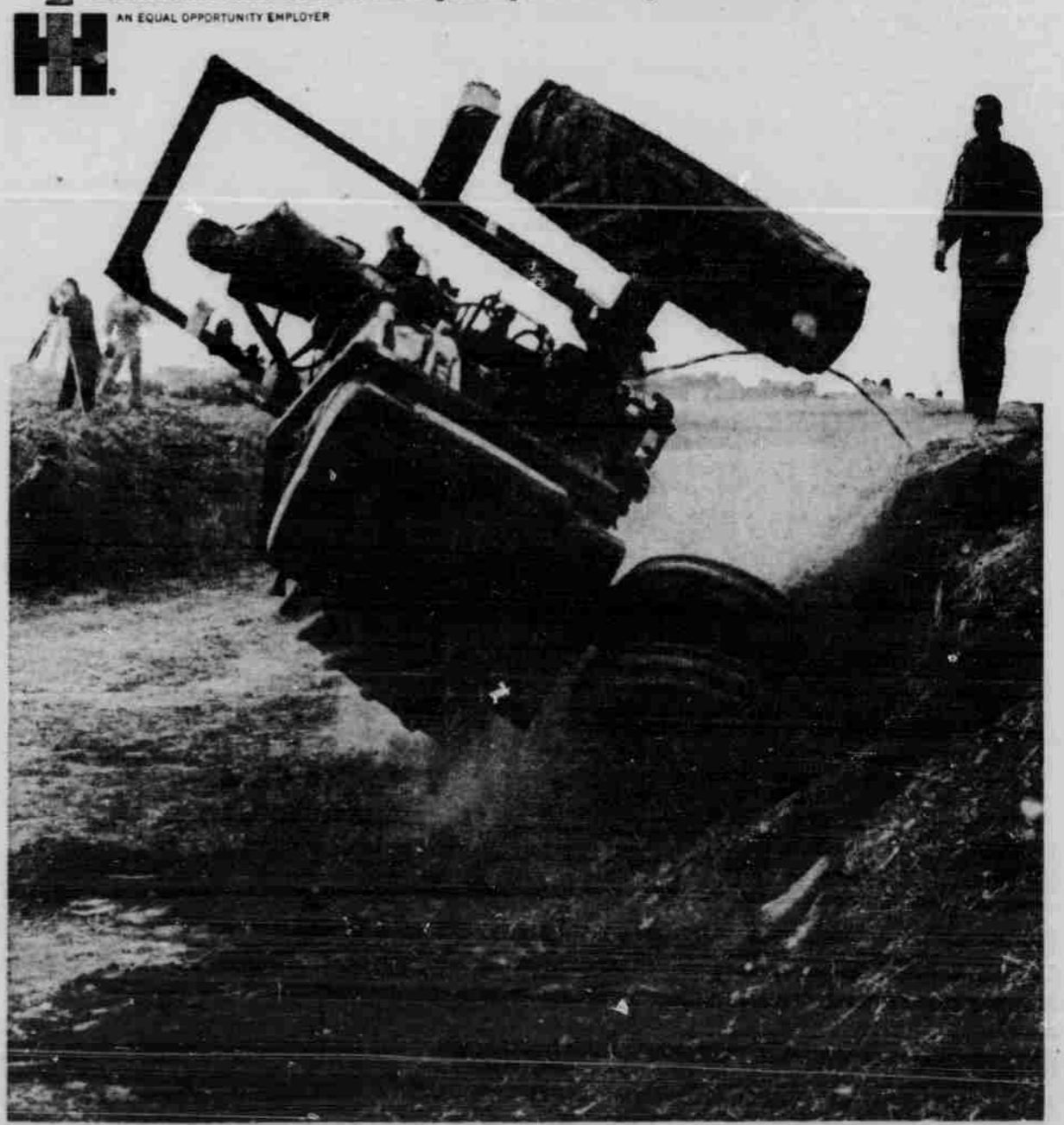
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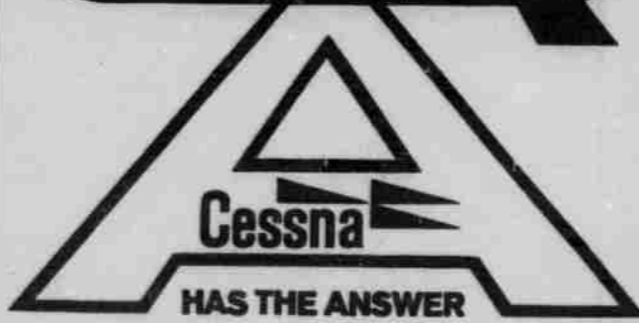
What does a NASA project have to do with flipping tractors?

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