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Notes from the press box...

A glimpse of ESPN, the total sports network, last year would find re-runs of a 1950s series "Home Run Derby." Sluggers Hank Aaron, Micky Mantle and many other sluggers participated for weekly money prizes in head to head competition.

A glimpse of ESPN's Baseball tonight or SportsCenter this year looks simular as highlights of Jose Canseco and Cecil Fielder's, almost daily, home run barrage are shown.

While Mantle and Aaron received batting practice pitches and were rewarded for home runs only, Canseco and Fielder are hitting "live" pitching and both have high averages to go with high home run totals.

What kind of home run pace are Jose and Cecil on? At their current pace (dividing 162 by number of games played, times home runs hit as of May 28), Canseco will hit 70 home runs and Fielder will hit 62.

Kevin Mitchell was on a simular pace last year before injury slowed him in the second half of the season.

Canseco's blasts look similar to a rocket being launched into orbit, most are of the 400 feet or more variety.

Fielder has blasts which equal Jose's, but Cecil hits many of his after being fooled by a pitcher, extending his arms to poke: them over the right or left field fences.

Fielder, who once was property of the Toronto Blue Jays, hit 38 homers in 108 games in Japan last year. Now with Detroit, he has the advantage of hitting in a hitter's ball park while any ballpark seems to work for Canseco.

If either or both stay healthy, as well as the players hitting in front and behind them, we could see Roger Maris's record of 61 homers in one season broken.

Like Mitchell in 1989, many players have been on a record setting pace, only to suffer power outages after the All-Star Break. Jose and Cecil may turn out to be the "Duracell Rabbit" of the 1990 season as their home runs "keep going and going and going.....'

Raider boys compete at state

Anamosa failed to score at a held at Drake Stadium in Des Moines over the race in the finals." weekend.

Sophomore Mike Duwe, junior Trevor Capron and seniors Trevor Ulferts, Tim Weers, Wade Eilers and Troy Miller made the trip.

Weers had the eighth best time in the preliminaries of the 400m hurdles, running a 56.27 but ended up finishing eighth, running a 58.04.

"We didn't run well down there," Raider Coach Chuck Smith said. "Tim ran

personal best in the Boys State Track Meet, preliminaries but then came back with a disappointing

The 4x800m relay team (Miller, Eilers, Duwe and Ulferts) ran a 8:36 which was 16 seconds slower than their qualifying time a couple of weeks ago, same went for the 4x400m relay team (Miller, Eilers, Weers and Capron).

"We ran faster to qualify than we did once we got there, but realistically speaking we weren't sure what we'd even qualify at

the beginning of the season," Smith said.

Smith said the coaching staff appreciated the leadership and hard work the seniors put into this year's team.

"Once these kids saw they had a chance to go to state in the relays, they began doing extra work on the weekends with Bob (Algoe), they really did an excellent job," Smith said. "Hopefully our younger kids were paying attention because we have a lot of potentially good runners."

Seaton edged out at regionals

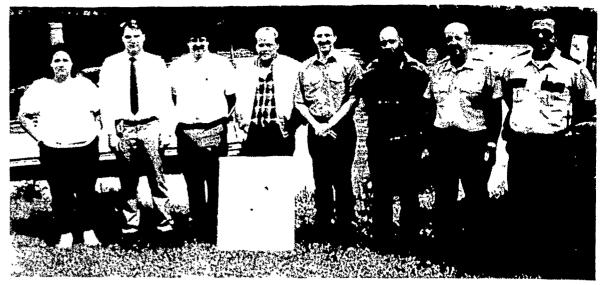
For the first time this Lady Raider coach Janet season Anamosa junior Doschadis said. "It was the Lynette Seaton did not win third time around jinx I medalist honors in a golf meet. Seaton was edged out by Dyersville's Leah Willenborg, a sophomore, in a two hole playoff after each girl fired an 81 in sectional competition held at Monticello. Unfortunately for Lynette, the runner-up at sectionals doesn't advance to the state meet like they do in boys competition. "It's too bad, both golfers among the state's best,"

guess."

Seaton had beaten Willen-

only two sixes on the day, and that's something we talked about before the Lion boys score in Des Moines meet."

Tim Jensen scored five said.



Fishing Fun Day

Wal-Mart will sponsor the annual Fishing Fun Day at the Wapsipicon State Park, June 16, in Anamosa. The event will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 3 p.m., pre-registration at Wal-Mart is encouraged. Pictured are many of the people responsible for making this event possible, left to right, Pam DeCoteau, Sporting Goods Department Manager; Roger Buescher, Assistant Manager; Clayton Slutts, Store Manager; Russell Engelbart, president of Wapsie Valley Bass Busters; Dan Koppenhaver, Pack 67 Den Leader; John Dirks, Murray Water Tackle Service; Mike Brewer, Park Ranger and Richard Stivers, Izzak Walton. (AJE—Dominic Giegerich)



State competitors

Anamosa took six boys to the 2A State Track Meet held in Des Moines at the Drake Stadium last weekend. Runners included, left to right, Trevor Ulferts, Tim Weers, Trevor Capron, Mike Duwe, Wade Eilers and Troy Miller. (AJE---Phil Oliver)

numbers. Walter King had

borg in a dual meet and at the Big Bend Conference Meet (Willenborg was the defending champion).

Willenborg shot 43 the first round and trailed Seaton by four strokes going into the second.

"Leah just got hot, she ran a streak of fours on the last six or seven holes." deserve to go, they are Doschadis said. "Lynette didn't beat herself, she had

Seaton did have a six on her last hole (a par five) while Willenborg had a birdie four to force the playoff.

"Lynette handled herself like a champion, she had a great season and it's too bad she isn't competing at state, she deserves to go," Doschadis said.

Seaton will be returning next season to give it another shot.

points finishing second in 1A discus competition to score Olin-Oxford Junction's only points at the Boys State Track Meet in Des Moines this past weekend.

Jensen, who won the event last year with a throw of 157 feet, threw his season's best 144'-3".

"He just hasn't been throwing that well this year," Lion coach Rich Ginn

Jensen also gualified in the shot put, but threw 42'-8" and didn't place high. Kevin Hansen ran 10th in prelims for the 200m dash and Craig Curley placed 7th in the 400m dash finals as Olin's other participant.

"We had a good season," Ginn said. "We placed high in every invitational and with extremely small

one of the best times in the state, in one event, but didn't qualify for state because he finished third at districts behind two of the state's best runners."

Ginn said he looks to see more kids out and there are a number of good runners returning. He will lose Jensen, Hansen, Curley and King to graduation.

Folkerts letters for Wartburg

Kimberly Folkerts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Folkerts of 302 S.

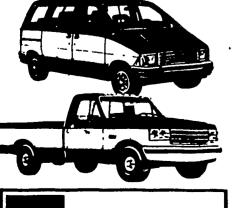
Ford St. in Anamosa, earned

a letter from the Wartburg College Women's track team

for her participation this season.

There were some 83 athletes honored for their participation in Spring athletics at the college located in Waverly.





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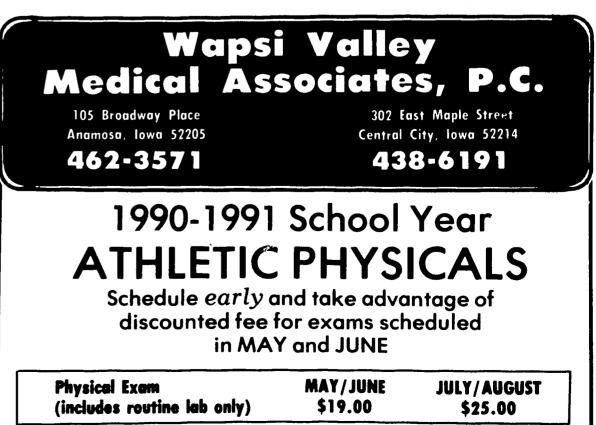
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