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WISCONSIN RAPIDS IS HOST TO HOME ECONOMIC STUDENTS

A District Home Economics Rally will be held Saturday, October 27, in the Lincoln Field House beginning at ten A.M. and lasting until four o'clock in the afternoon. Arrangements have been made to have noon luncheon in the cafeteria.

The purpose of the rally, to organize Home Economics clubs all throughout the state

Representatives invited are coming from Adams, Almond, Hancock, Marshfield, Mosinee, Neillsville, Nekoosa, Pittsville, Port Edwards, Stevens Point, and Wausau. All invited are girls and their instructors from Home Economics classes.

In the morning a business meeting is scheduled during which one girl from the entire group will be elected as a representative to go to a later state meeting. A social period, to follow the lunch hour is being planned: games, perhaps an afternoon tea or some sort of program; but it is still a little indefinite.

Miss Reardon is the chairman; Miss Kersten of Nekoosa and Miss Veeder of Marshfield are assisting her.

R-A-P-I-D-S — —

Thirty two students tried out for cheer leading this fall, and through a process of elimination, seven were picked to lead the school in yells during pep meeting and games. Two new members were added to the list, Dick and Bob Schindler (the twins), who have exceptional ability in acrobatics. Shirley Cotterill, Pat Broenson, Shirley Johnson, Gerhardt Knuth and Verne Keller are back this year to add pep and vigor to our pep meetings and games.

These cheer leaders are for the football season only. When basketball season starts, they will try out again and the cheerleaders will be picked for the basketball season.

THESPIANS MEET

The Thespian — Dramatic Club this year has a membership of 160 with 25 of these being National Thespian members. They are to be divided into six groups under the directorship of the National Thespians. These groups will put on one-act plays throughout the year.

The club is under the guidance of Miss Walters, and the officers are Don Sprise, president; Jill Severence, vice - president; and Phyllis Koss, secretary-treasurer.

The Thespians have selected "Best Foot Forward" for the all-school play. This lively three-act comedy has its setting in a boys' dormitory at Winsocle Prep. It's Prom Night. Their dates, quail to them, arrive Among them is Gale Joy, the "Wham Girl." That's when the trouble begins.

Try-outs will be in the near future. Tentative dates for the play are November 14 and 15.

AHDAWAGAM STARTED

Another school year is two months on its way, and already the work has begun on the Adawagam which we all look forward to

This years' literary staff under Miss Harold has been divided in two sections, the editors and the reporters. The two divisions meet on alternating Thursdays, and between them, manage to turn out a lot of good work. Recently everyone on the staff wrote a Forword for the book, but the best has not yet been chosen.

The other departments have started work too. Miss Ritchie has the Senior section, and already many of them have had the pictures and "life history" ready. In case you've noticed the little man with the camera at all our school activities, and wondering who it is, that's Mr. Bird, working on pictures. Mr. Bird is Chairman of the Ahdawagam staff

Then there are the teachers who do the more-or-less behind-the-scene jobs. Miss Moll has class and group pictures. Miss La Perriere has the faculty section, Miss Talbot has finances.

RAPIDS HOMECOMING WAS A HUGH SUCCESS

SWING SHIFTERS PLAY AT SCHOOL DANCE

Lincoln High students who attended the first all school dance two weeks ago were not disappointed with the playing of the Swing Shifters. The band had good tone and some swell arrangements.

Earl "Ooey" Garber is president for this year, with no other officers yet elected. Garber has been with the Swing Shifters ever since they started four years ago. He had quite a job getting the band in shape due to the leaving of last year's seniors and their replacements this year. Credit must be given to Wayne Williams who came to all rehearsals to help the newcomers learn the ropes.

This year's newcomers are Jim Minoor, taking over the bass Phyllis Peterson at the keyboard, Rich Haertel handling the drums, Bud Witte and Don Love playing saxes, Tom Kirschling and Jim Le Rouxe with trumpets, while Gene Geise sits first trombone. All these newcomers with last years returning veterans, Bill Herman playing saxe, Hank Becker and Bob, Treutle at the trombones, Doug Trantow and "Ooey" Garber handling the trumpet section, Phyllis Koss doing the vocal honors, have emerged from the summer vacation a new, and some say a better Swing Shifters.

The band has obtained many new pieces which should please both the lovers of sweet and hot music. All this will add to the enjoyment of our school dances this year.

G A A Sports Corner

Girls, here is your chance to catch up on those points you need for that letter in G. A. A. The organization is well under way now, with hockey as the opening game. Other sports soon to follow are basketball and volleyball.

Elaine Vanderhei Queen

In true spirit of appreciation Lincoln High School dedicated its homecoming to the alumni who have served in the armed forces.

Last Thursday the 1945 Homecoming was officially opened with the bon fire. After the heat had driven back the crowd, the snail dance began. A pep band organized by Earl Garber added a great deal to the dance which wound up at the market square with ringing cheers and songs.

At 2:30 Friday, the annual pep meeting was held. Ed Murgatroy responded for the servicemen. Mr. Ritchay's extended welcome. Then a clever stunt that was put on by the Junior Class in collaboration with Mr. Johnson, the art teacher.

Phil Manders introduced the football team and Doug Tempa representing the team answered questions asked by Don Spris. Homecoming Chairman.

Several cheers were given and the stage was cleared for the finale and most awaited for event - the crowning of the queen.

Richard Bain and Don Spris entered from the opposite sides of the stage followed by Jean Christensen, Phyllis Peterson, Isabel Wirtz, and June Lin. attendants; Dee Ann Crown and Mary Link, flower girls.

The field house shook with applause as Elaine Vanderhei, the queen, was elected to that position Wednesday by the student body. The queen was crowned by Don Sprise, and then she presented the gold football to Bill Wittrock, the football captain. Everybody joined in the singing of the Alma Mater to end the assembly.

An open house sponsored by the Pep Club was held for the alumni following the assembly. 103 alumni were served refreshments.

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We Pause

The world is at peace for the first time that many of us can remember. It was in 1941 that the seniors of 1944-45 were starting their high school education in a world of confusion. We had not yet entered the war, but it was to be only three short months before the dark clouds of war would settle upon America. For three years entering freshmen had a grim outlook on life. Many when they graduated, expected to enter the Armed Forces.

The welcome news of victory over Germany came in the spring of 1945. Three months later the Japanese gave in. Most of us celebrated with noise and gayety, for some it had a different meaning. Approximately 150 former students of Lincoln High have served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Of this number about 40 will not come back.

The freshmen class of 1945 is the first to enter this high school in peacetime for four years. They should have a different attitude about their future than those of the other students. They will have to prepare themselves for a world of competition where the ones with the best training will succeed.

After four years of one of the worst wars in history, the student is in a world of peace, hardly conscious of what has passed before, nor of what is to come. Still it must be his concern to prepare for a future that will challenge the best in our youth.

STANLEY RADDITZ

The students and faculty of Lincoln High School and of Witter Vocational School extend their sympathy to Mrs Stanley Radditz and her daughter. Mr Radditz taught drafting in the Vocational School from 1942 to 1944

Above Suspicion . . .

Recently Steve Hill was asked what size shoe he wore. The prompt answer was: "Twelve if it's a moccasin; twelve and a half for most other shoes." Some one popped up with a, "Ha-ha, Mr. Specht has you beat. He wears size fifteen." 'course witty Steve came in with an answer. Well— He's full grown!"

And something in the heart-throb department. Irene Ellis and Sam Henke went for a boat ride. Have you ever tried it? It's the most— well, I was telling you about Irene and Sam. The interesting part of it is that John Kruger declares that the boat moved nary an inch.

Muzzey! Muzzey! ! By golly the poor librarian behind the desk between periods. Oh well, when I stop to think about it I feel sorrier for those that have to use them. How about it you U.S. history students?

Mr. Specht: When are you going to stop using my razors to sharpen pencils?

Mrs. Specht: As soon as you stop using my lipstick to mark your papers.

Ruth Keuntjes is a doddler. Shes been scribbling "Jack Rowe" on her books lately in lettering, longhand, backhand, but I m no hand to know why.

Question: Of all things that are a nuisance, what do you think is the worst?

Pat Breed - Boys.

Mr. Specht - People who go thru stop lights. (Maureen Bender take note.)

Miss Peterson - Glasses.

Betty Sue Palmer - Going to the dentist.

Kieth Hackbarth - Girls. (It doesn't sound as if Pat and Keith would get along together, does it?)

Miss La Perriere - Hay fever.

Pat Padags - Cars that get in my way while I'm driving. (Pat are you sure YOU don't get in THEIR way?)

Dick Haertel - -Mosquitoes. (So that's why you are always scratching your head.)

"Ooey" Garber - Girls that are jealous of other girls and so tease them in a noisy fashion about budding romances that wouldn't bud anyway. (At 'noisy fashion' he jumped up and down on the side-walk. The way he jumped, I was surprised he didn't come up talking Chinese!)

Mr. Ritchay - People who are constantly coming late.

Gee was I thrilled yesteday! Larry Berard bumped into me, and do you know what he said? Well, with his dark eyes flashing and a smile that would melt any girl's heart, and in his most flattering voice he said— (sigh) — "Pardon me"

Know what a 117 pounder told me a time back? "A girl can't eat her cake and have IT too." Well?

My great aunt was always having trouble with either her husband or the furnace. Every time she would watch one the other would go out!

Know H. Heartel? He's the guy that declares he's a wolf a man after ALL.

A dance.

A class.

A date.

A quiz..

Perchance

No pass.

Out late.

Gee whizz!

All's fair in love and war and all's war in love affairs.

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Subscription Goal Reached

Credit should be given where credit is deserved. The student body over-subscribed the staff's goal of 600 subscriptions by 93. This is an increase of about 200 over last year's drive.

Nine home rooms have a percentage of 75 or more. The number and teacher of the leading home rooms are as follows:

311- Vevle 94%; 148- Nairn 87%; 147- Neale 86%; 241- Harold 85% 202- Ritchie 82%; 104- Ruggles 81%; 307- La Perriere 79%; 336- Rheel 77%; Band and Orchestra, Mr. Liska 76%.

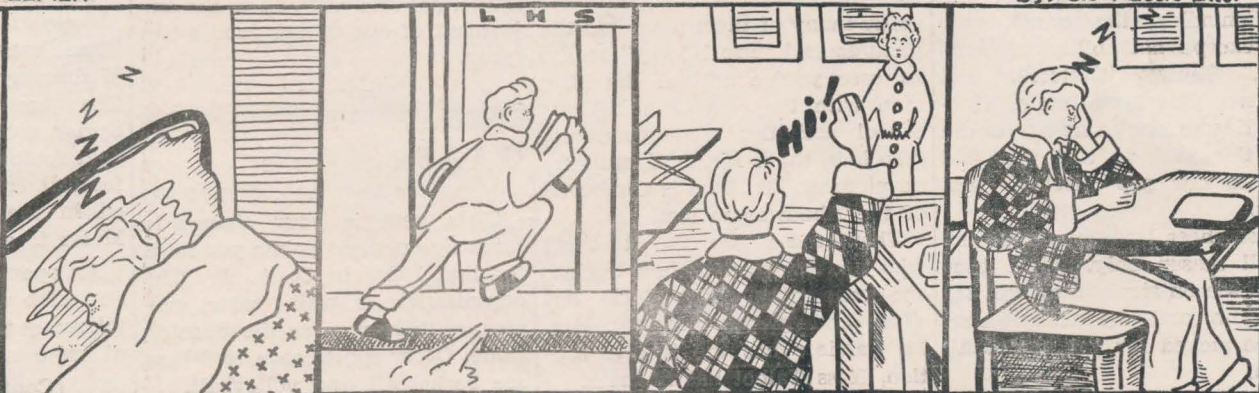
You are showing more interest in the Lincoln Lights this year, and the staff will work wholeheartedly to justify your cooperation.

OUR DREAM BOY "ELMER"

This is introducing
"Elmer"

The typical American teen-ager

drool! drool!
drool!



Senior Pictures Due Soon

Each year at this time the members of the Senior Class should be having their pictures taken. There are some who cannot have their pictures in the annual because they wait too long to have them taken. If you want your picture in the Senior section of the Ahdawagan, you **MUST** have them taken now. The deadline is December 1.

The photographers have been booked up for a week or so in advance, so your chance of getting your picture taken now is very slim. There are only 208 of you in the Senior class. So, if you have not made an appointment, do it.

Classes Shown Movies

The classes of Mr. Hornigold and Mr. Samuelson had a film on "Synthetic Rubber" and Mr. Samuelson had a movie on what the Ford Motors have done in the way of getting the finished products to our fighting men. Ford's record is one that cannot be equaled in the line of making airplanes and other necessary articles for the war including the jeep tanks and the many other articles that shortened the war.

Homecoming —

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this number 75 were servicemen.

After a delayed start, Merrill defeated Wisconsin Rapids 19 - 13 in the feature attraction, the football game.

When the game was over, one of the largest crowds of the year attended the homecoming dance. This throng danced to the music of the Castillians.

Now we can look back upon the 1945 Homecoming as one of the most enjoyable and successful in the school's history.

Other people who helped make this homecoming a huge success were: Lawrence Bocaner, chairman of the bon fire committee; Marge Guenther, chairman of the publicity; Elaine Rickman, chairman of the tag committee; Steve Hill, co-author of the pep skit; Isabel Wirtz, chairman of the field house; decorations committee Charles Manski, chairman of the dance committee; Gerald Mathews, best tag design; Joan Staub, best poster; Lincoln Lights, football program.

There were numerous other people on these committees who deserve credit for a job well done.

Did You Know ??

Attention to all you U. S. History students! Mr Miller's influence has been felt in the library and now we have four new copies of "The Tree of Liberty". All you have to do to make sure you get it, is to put your name on the reserve list.

While we're on the subject, the reserve list is very easy to obtain. Just ask the girl at the desk for it and then sign your name and when and where you have your free periods on the card for the book you want. It's one way of making sure you get the new books.

Girls: "Last Semester" by Phyllis Crawford is a nice book to fill in one of those evenings when there is just nothing doing. It's all about Janey Lou's trials and joys in her last year of college — she had them, too.

Then for the boys — "Comodore Hornblower" (an exciting sea story) and "Pine, Stream and Praire" will provide a good entertainment.

By the way, have you read Lloyd Douglas's "The Robe"? It's a book that will never be old, and once you get started, you won't be able to put it down.

Have you explored our supply of annuals? We have them from almost all the schools around here. We also have a school scrapbook, which contains clippings of the things we've done. Come in after school some night and look around.

Increased Enrollment

Our enrollment this year has increased 18 pupils over last year.

This year we have 452 boys and and 492 girls, with a total of 944.

The enrollment in the classes for last year and this year is as follows:

	1944-45	1945-46
Freshmen	269	254
Sophomores	238	156
Juniors	231	225
Seniors	188	209

Students Entertain Lecturer

Lincoln High recently played host to Miss Genevieve Dawson a botanist from La Plata Argentina. Miss Dawson addressed the student body in assembly September 24.

Gamma Sigma Admits

Thirteen New Members

Thirteen new members were admitted into Gamma Sigma on Tuesday, September 18, when try-outs were held in the music room. Those entering with piano solos were as follows: Madella Robbins, Jean Walsh, Sally Teas, Margaret Shipman, Barbara Peters, Carol Cole, Helen Seehafer, Joyce Hein and Margaret Barrette. The vocalists were Betty Gross Barbara Dutcher, and Carol Kingdom, and one cello player, Teckla Jacobsen tried out. An honorary member, Gloria Bankert, played a piano selection and the Swing Shifters ended up the evening's performance by playing a group of about six numbers.

The following Tuesday, at the home of Phyllis Peterson the new members were initiated. The big feature was the hunt in which six of the new members participated. Decked out in their baby bonnets and bibs complete with bottles they went down town in search of the required articles.

At the meeting Miss Bradford presented a list of the members who would appear on the regular meeting programs throughout the year.

'UNDER THE LIME LIGHT'

by Neal Smith

JUNE JACKAN

Throwing down her most treasured book, "Gregg Shorthand", June ran merrily to the conference room to be a guest of "Under the Lime Light." June is a short happy-go-lucky girl with merry brown eyes an chesnut brown hair. Persons wearing pumps irk June, but bright oversize letter sweaters and bobby sox are especially her idea of what a young sophisticated girl should wear.

She was born Marsh 8, 1929 in Wisconsin Rapids and has never lived any where else. She attended S S Peter and Paul for eight years.

During her spare time she enjoys going to dances with the "girls". Dancing to the music of Guy Lombardo simply thrills her, and Bing Crosby's vocal of "Dream" takes her out of this world, wandering with her little sailor, Don Murgatroyd. Seeing Robert Taylor in "Waterloo Bridge" simply made her swoon.

June is a member of the Pep Club, Dramatic Club, Delta Theta Sigma and G. A. A.

JUNIOR HIGH-LIGHTS

INDIAN EXHIBIT

The Eight-One group put on an Indian exhibit in Miss Pitsch's room on "The White Man's Debt to the Indian". There were sombreroes from Mexico, blankets from the South, Indian moccasins, and other Indian art on display to show what the white man owes the Indian.

PLAYS ABOUT COMPOSERS

The eighth grade music class is going to give plays about the lives of composers. At present they are studying about Franz Schubert. They plan to study the lives of five others this year.

LOWELL DEFEATS LINCOLN.

Lincoln Junior High School was defeated by Lowell 20-2 in a football game held at Witter Field, September 19. Lincoln's strong but futile attack was lead by "Buck" Gill, "Chick" Samuelson and Dick Warsinke, who did some fine punting. Lowell's touchdowns were scored by Fran-cher and the Anderson brothers.

Senior Boy Is Example

For All Students

Who is this example of whom we speak? Is he some one who can do 5000 consecutive sit ups? Has he a scholastic average of 98? No, our example is no miracle man, in fact he does very little that isn't done by many other students, but none of them do all of the things that he does. Our hero, Roy Voight, was a junior last year, when his father died after a long illness. Since Roy lives on a farm, and the cow won't wait until the weekend to be fed, Roy had to give up school. But, you can't keep a good man down. This year he re-enrolled for his final year at LHS, even though he would not have been critized had he thrown in the towel. Here is the schedule that he leads while going to school: (just look it over the next time you don't see how you can possibly do something) at 4:30 AM he gets up and starts doing chores until time to go to school. (I've been up at 4:00 AM, too, only it was at the end not the start of a day.) In school he puts in a full day's work, after which he returns home and works around the farm until 9:30 PM. At this time he is free to put in about an hour's time on his studies. From 10:30 to 4:30 all his time is his own. However, he has yet to find how to get along without sleep, so that takes up all six hours.

Accelerated Athletics

Atomize Antigo's Attack

Friday October 5, the Wisconsin Rapids Red Raiders - our team - won their first game of the season by the count of 21 to 12. Antigo had the misfortune to run up against our high powered attack, and the Red Raiders lost their first conference game. The boys from the north were set down worse than the score indicates, as the Raiders were pulling away, and were by far the better team at the final whistle.

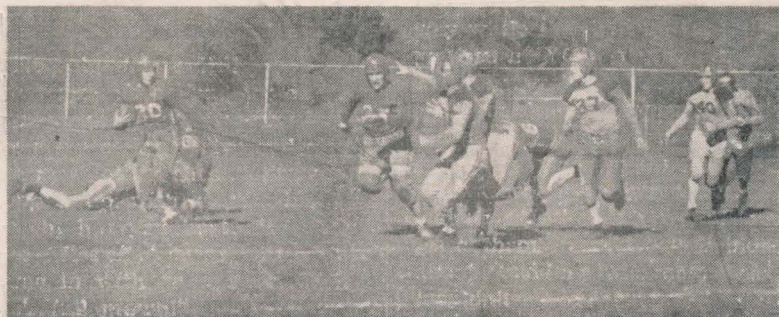
This, the initial victory of the 1945 campaign, came after five and six point defeats administered by Wausau and Rhinelander respectively.

All of the Rapids starting line-up performed well, so it is impossible to enumerate the stars of the game when there were eleven of them. Statistics show that our linemen gained yardage at a high rate. The half back Dave Barrette carried the ball 13 times for 101 yards, which is an average of 7.7 yards per try. It is interesting to note that Dave gained more yardage on runs than the entire Antigo team. Left half, John Richay, helped the cause by contributing 75 yards on 15 tries. Fullback Bob Gazely plunged 37 yards in 11 tries, averaging 3.36 yards per time. Bob's average is not indicative of the game he played, however, for he plunged over from the one yard line for a touchdown, and made several nice punt returns. Herk Kronholm and Keith Hackbarth also ram impressively when they got the ball.

The other two Rapids touchdowns were both scored by Barrette that made the entire Antigo reticent. The first came on a 63 yard team look like they were in the wrong league. The second of Dave's six point efforts came after he caught a pass frightfully close to the sidelines, from where he dashed into the north end zone with the game-clinching tally.

Captain Bill Wittrock kicked all three of the points after touchdown. This is an unusually high percentage for high school play.

The Rapids starting lineup was as follows: Captain Wittrock and Mader end; Gross and Kawalski at tackles; Dolan and Tenpas at guards Marvin at center; Schmick at quarter; Gazely at full; and Richay and Barrette at the half-back positions.



RHINELANDER AND WISCONSIN RAPIDS GAME

John Ritchay running around the right end of the Rhinelander line during the game played at Rhinelander. Wisconsin Rapids lost to the Hodags by a score of 13 to 7.

Locker Room Trivia

by STEVE HILL

Anyone who thinks that half-back Dave Barrette moved fast during the Antigo game should have seen him immediately after the game. He had only twenty minutes to take off his football togs, take a shower, and catch a train for Chicago, where he had tickets for the Series.

Few people realized it, but right after the game, an operation which approached major proportions was performed on one of the Rapids players. Having had the privilege to see it, I could give a complete description, but it is sufficient to say that it was indeed frightening to see the hard steel cutting away on the body of one of our boys. To prove that our fellows are no slackers it might be added that the operation was performed by the fellow who was being operated upon. Don't be alarmed if this happens again. Hackbarth said that he is going to shave after every game that we win.

The way it looks from here, it would be a good idea for our "B" team to get in some sort of league next year. It would be fine if the Valley would organize a "B" league, but that is unlikely, since some of the schools, namely the other two Wood County members, have a hard enough time getting eleven individuals out on the field who know how to play football. However, it is possible that some sort of league could be organized with some of the 7-C Basketball schools, who seem to be playing independent football. League games always seem to make them play harder than the non-conference brand that our "B's" have been playing.

You will note that in the last paragraph the letter "B" is used several times while talking of our

SCRUBS SCRUBBED
IN TWO GAMES

The Wisconsin Rapids B squad has fared none too well in its first two contests. However, the odds are that their season will prove successful, for they showed what the coaches termed 100 per cent improvement in the second game. In the first contest they were whitewashed by Manawa by the count of 46 to 0. Our boys did not play as badly as the score indicates however, for they were playing their first game against a larger and experienced varsity squad. In the second contest they were vastly improved. Following is our reporter's account of the game:

The Rapids B squad was defeated by the Adams-Freindship varsity by the score of 19 to 6. The B squad, handicapped by the lack of weight in the line and in the backfield, put up a determined and steady fight in the form of powerful drives aimed aimed at the opponents goal.

The weather was very wet and many good plays were ruined by a slippery ball. Mike Johnson, sophomore fullback, made the B's only score with a plunge through the line, which was helped by excellent blocking.

junior-varsity squad. This is because they have no nickname. We hope eventually that we can find one for them, but the problem for today is this: AS you all know, we are known as the Red Raiders, we have been known as such for a long time, but it is obvious that we haven't had the name since the beginning of time. We have done some research or the subject, and no one whom we queried knew either Mr Ritchay, who has been in the high school business since way back when, thinks that we were called the Red Raiders because we were tougher and stronger than the others.

WIN, LOSE, OR DRAW

WAUSAU 13 — RAPIDS 8

The Red Raiders opened their football season against the strong Wausau Lumberjacks there. They put up a stiff fight against the Wausau team which had won 45 consecutive Valley Conference games, but lost out in the fourth quarter, 13 to 8. One of the highlights of the game was a long run by Barrette in the closing seconds of the first half for a touchdown which was the first six-pointer scored by the Rapids over Wausau since 1939. John Ritchy almost broke away for a touchdown in this game also.

RHINELANDER 13 — RAPIDS 7

The next week the Rapids team made the long trip to Rhinelander. After a first half in which they failed to click at all, the Red Raiders completely out-played the Hodags the rest of the way. It was featured by Ritchay's 90 yard run the longest in conference play so far this year. This was the only marker they were able to push over, though, and Rhinelander's first period touchdowns defeated the Rapids 13 to 7.

RAPIDS 14 — MARSHFIELD 13

Mander's aggregation defeated the Tigers 14 - 13 at Marshfield, despite a poor finish, to win their second conference football game. Time was certainly kind to the Red Raiders as it stopped Marshfield threats. Ritchay scored both of the Rapids touchdowns on runs of 57 and 11 yards. It was a tired team that ran off the field victors because of Mader's and Wittrock's place kicks.

MERRILL 19 — RAPIDS 13

A fighting and aggressive Rapids football team, playing before the largest crowd at Witter Field, was defeated by a fast and tricky Merrill team in a game marred by many irregularities. With part of the field in semi-darkness, both teams scored the first time they got the ball. Ritchay plunged over for the Rapids. In the second quarter the Red Raiders fumbled on the three yard line, and this was the turning point of the game. A double pass tried by Merrill in the fourth quarter which went for a touchdown, was ruled invalid by the officials.

The Raiders took possession of the ball and scored on a screen pass with Kronholm rarrying the ball, when time ran out. The final score was 10 to 13.