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SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

FEE RAISE NECESSARY

Unlike almost everything else, school is not being rationed; however, like everything else the price is going up. The fees for this semester have gone from \$2.75 to \$3.50.

Why this increase? There are several reasons. Three and a half years ago, Adams had to start from scratch in buying her fee books and she had to supply enough for every student, all at once; consequently, we are at the present still \$2600 behind on our fee books. In normal times this sum would gradually be decreased by the regular \$2.75 fees. Now, due to the addition of several new courses such as aeronautics, blue print reading, and parts inspection, and the large increase in the Physical Education department, a higher fee is necessary to cover the increased costs. The First Aid Course offered will also need necessary equipment such as bandages and splints.

Just to give you an idea how necessary is this raise, consider the quantity of gym equipment laundered here each week: 2800 towels, 5600 stockings, 1200 girls' gym suits, and 1600 boys' gym suits.

When you stop and consider all that you are going to get for it, \$.75 more isn't going to be so much after all.

ALBUM REPORT: PROGRESSING

About this time of year people begin to wonder how the yearbook is coming along and what's going on in the Album lair.

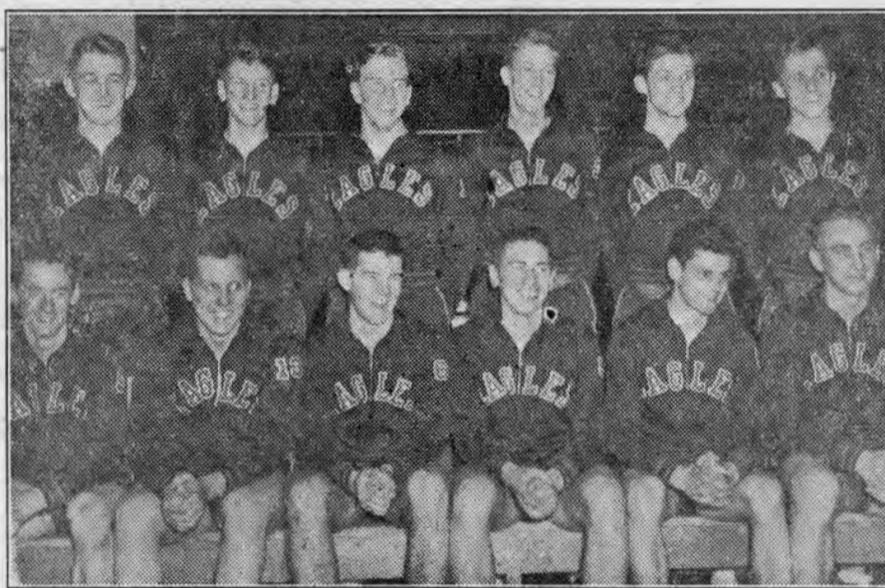
Well, in an effort to satisfy this wandering wondering we're going to air a little about the progress.

Mr. McNamara happily reports that the layout is nearly completed. The senior portraits are made and layouts are in production under the masterly hand of Bud Tovey who is leading this branch of the great masterpiece.

Here's good news for you underclassmen who ordered reprints of your pictures—they will be here any day now.

To quote Mr. McNamara, "Fran Kierein and Joan Bruggema are leading the Advertising Solicitors League under the direction of Manager Florette Dibble," who incidentally is doing one swell job, to date having almost made the half-way mark of last year's total.

As soon as anything new breaks on the Album front, rest assured that your trusty Tower reporter will "scoop" it for you.



THE WELCOME MAT IS OUT FOR THE SOPHS

Here we are, beginning a new semester, and as usual there are quite a group of new faces here at John Adams. The new sophomores have brought lots of new light to the school. There are about 96 of these newcomers from Thomas Jefferson, Nuner, Lincoln, and a registered group from Madison. Their home rooms are 207, 206, and 203.

Now here is a chance for some of you who want to locker together to choose your locker mate, as I am sure we will need some doubling up. Do make these sophomores feel at home here at Adams by sharing with them all that Adams has to offer. Remember, you were a soph once, too.

Last but not least, we certainly hated to see some of our old friends leaving. Mr. Reber, who had the 12A sponsor group this past semester, reports that between twenty-one and twenty-four of his group will not return. College entrance and interesting positions are the causes of their leaving us.

SENIOR CABINET MAKES PLANS

The seniors are really accomplishing things these days. On January 13 the Senior Cabinet met and began plans for the Senior Class Day Assembly.

The Senior Gift Committee has been appointed with Jack Beverstein as chairman. Jack, along with assistants are working on several projects.

Jean Inglefield is heading the Reading Committee for the senior class day skit or play.

The Cabinet plans to meet January 27 for further work on these various projects.

GLEE CLUB ENTERTAINS

One-half of the Adams Glee Club presented a thirty minute program at Nuner School on Wednesday, January 20. The P.T.A. sponsored a Father's Night program. Some of the selections sung by the Glee Club were "The Lost Chord," "Carmena," "Fairest Lord Jesus," and "The Lord's Prayer." Louise Holmgren sang a solo. The Adams Triple Trio also took part.

At noon Thursday, January 21, twenty members of the Glee Club presented a program at the Kiwanis Club. Our Glee Club was recommended to the Kiwanis by the Exchange Club where our Glee Club received an ovation on their fine Christmas program.

During this new semester, Glee Club members will have to crawl out of bed a half hour earlier in order to be at rehearsal at 7:30 on Tuesdays and Fridays. This is a difficult time of the day to sing, but our Glee Club will still be one of the finest in the city and continue to win honors for Adams.

CALENDAR

Monday, Jan. 25—Basketball: Central vs. Rochester.

Tuesday, Jan. 26—Home Room Guidance; 10B Questionnaires; 12B Kruder Preference Record; 12B Career Conference Choices; Basketball, Riley vs. Plymouth.

Wednesday, Jan. 27—Glee Club, 7:30 a.m., Otto Schadt, speaker.

Thursday, Jan. 28—Faculty Meeting, 3:45; Basketball: Washington vs. Washington-Clay.

Friday, Jan. 29—Glee Club, 7:30 a.m.; Basketball: Adams vs. Plymouth.

Saturday, Jan. 30—Basketball: Adams vs. Northside, Ft. Wayne.

ALL APPLICATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 6

Greencastle, Indiana, Dec. 1, 1942 —In 1919 Mr. Edward Rector of Chicago created the largest singly endowed scholarship foundation in the United States. Each year the Foundation has awarded scholarships to boys of outstanding ability ranking in the upper ten per cent of their graduating classes. Last year 72 Rector Scholars were admitted from four times that number of applicants. Each scholarship pays \$1,000.00 in the 4 years at DePauw University. This is applied on the tuition in the University during four consecutive years.

The Foundation now announces new scholarships to be awarded so that the successful applicants will be able to enter DePauw in May or in September, 1943. Literature regarding the scholarships has been placed in the hands of Miss Burns. The awards will be made to boys with sound scholarship who have taken a place in the leadership of high school affairs. Any boy who is interested should confer with Miss Burns at once, as applications must be sent in during February so that they may be considered by the middle of March.

This year the new statewide war-time testing program being conducted by the State Department of Public Instruction has been used as the testing program for the selection of state scholars. They are not asking that you take special tests this year but that you submit for each of your state scholarship candidates the results of the "student power inventory."

You will need to submit only one formal report which will include your candidate's application and his ranks and scores shown in the "student power inventory."

Not more than two candidates should be selected for each of the four state institutions unless we find it impossible to reduce the number of highly qualified applicants to two for a particular institution. A consistently good showing, both in high school records and in test results is necessary to give the candidate a fair chance of winning a scholarship.

The reports about the scholarship have to be in the institutions on or before February 6. Announcements of the winners will be made about March 27. The scholarships will provide for remission of contingent fees, major fees for most students.

We here at John Adams should have students that are eligible for these scholarships. If you think you are qualified get your applications at the office from Miss Burns.

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 Philonese Chayie.

THE STUDENT

My favorite class is study hall
 I think that's liked the best by all.
 Spanish to me is a course very odd
 I think it will put me under the sod.

I took Geometry the second time
 It comes to me as well as rhyme.
 About this drudgery I will say
 I'd rather have a job with pay.
 Welby Miller.

I AM BAD IN SCHOOL

There are some who go to school
 To learn their math and history
 But I go to act like a fool
 And to teachers I'm a misery

First I go to Science class
 To learn about laws of Gravity
 And Reber looks at you when you
 fuss
 And says, "Is your head a cavity?"

Then off to Machine shop I fly
 To get a lecture from Mr. Dickey
 He looks you straight in the eye
 And says, "You'll do it, by Crikey!"

In English I go to sleep
 Mrs. Meyer doesn't care
 When I'm not looking up she will
 creep
 And grab me by the hair.

The last period I go to Math
 There's nothing hard about that
 But again I get the teacher's wrath
 Because of a tack on which he sat.
 George Krovitch.

I'm an old woman
 At the age of eighty-three
 It won't be long now
 Till they say goodbye to me.

My hair has turned to silver
 I'm hunched and very slow
 My hands have begun to quiver
 My head is bending low.

They say there's a second childhood
 I'd live it if I could
 I'd try to make folks happy
 And do all things I should.
 Marion Ramer.

HOURS ONE TO SIX

For homeroom I have Goldsberry
 He is a rather big and very merry
 The first hour class I have English
 Miss Meyers is teacher of this dish.
 Then with Miss Morehouse as our
 guide
 We make foods baked and fried.
 Next comes third hour with Mr. Krider
 And geometry even harder.
 I have Miss Law at ten of one
 She teaches Spanish, and it's very
 much fun
 Studyhalls, are hours five and six
 With Goldsberry and Myers to carry
 the sticks.
 Mary Lou Freehauf.

THE BARGAIN SALE

Though it was only nine o'clock,
 The crowd was there to see their
 stock.
 They jerked and grabbed the mer-
 chandise
 Because the price was cut down
 twice.
 When they got home with bump and
 bruise,
 They found they had things they'd
 never use.
 Shirley Kline.

"A BLACKOUT"

The wind blows shrilly through the
 trees,
 The sun is fastly sinking.
 And along the northern sky one sees
 A cloud of airplanes circling.

Then all at once in blending tones
 The whistles start to shriek.
 The airplanes make a dreary drone,
 And shelter all folks seek.

The city lights are all put out,
 There's blackness everywhere,
 The wardens on his way about,
 What strange feelings we all share.

What fun for us it is to be
 In a blackout just for test,
 But if it came in reality
 Could we face it with our best?
 Georgia Miller.

THE FIVE AND TEN

On Saturday we come to town,
 And go to the Five and Ten to look
 around.
 Mother goes to see the kitchen ware,
 Sister Suzy likes the dollies fair.
 Dad always finds the tools all sharp
 and keen,
 While I just stand and watch the
 doughnut machine.
 Joan Darr.

AROUND ADAMS

CAN YOU IMAGINE

Joan Smith going with John McLaughlin and not Jack Yuncker.

Fran Kierein on the "loose," and George Pfaff not doing anything about it.

Rosemae Smith going with Carl Martz.

John Reitz and Mary Roberts not going steady.

Dixie Lou carrying the torch for "Mouse".

Pete Radican going out with Peg Wells (Riley).

Dominic Simeri going steady with Ann Palase (Mishawaka).

CUTE COUPLES

Paul Smith and the new Soph, Elenore Dent.

Peg McGann and Duanne Bowerman.

Clem Kuespert and Betty Lange. Mary Alice Hamblen and Bucky Harris.

Polly Constant and "Barney".

IS?????

Mel Modisette going with Rose Marie Wolf.

Joe Tarkington still trying to get Norma Zimmerman.

Jim Smith trying to get Phil Kroemer (Central).

Richard Lee still going with Mary Ann Sousley.

Duane Zent going steady with Mary Jane Shank.

Bob McIntyre going steady with a girl from Ardmore.

Joan Bruggema carrying the torch for John Curtis.

ENGAGEMENT RINGS

Delorma Flowers, Arlene Hover, Wilma Bechtold, Elaine Heeter, Lois Gillen, June Moore, Betty Pulley, Betty Rhone, Dorothy Jenkins, Dorothy Vawter, Betty Van de Walle, Betty Whalen, Annabelle Fortin, Helen DeSonia.

This very stirring love letter was found in 105.

My dearest Love:

You have hurt me very much. I was hoping that you would invite me to Rainbow this week but I already have a date.

I know that you will lie awake all night weeping but seeing how handsome I am I could not fight off the hoard of women that invited me.

Sympathetically yours,

John.

And guess who wrote it!!!!



GIVE THEM A THOUGHT TOO

While you're all so busy welcoming in the new sophs and making them feel at home here at Adams, won't you lend a corner of your attention to the graduates?

Uncle Sam is claiming more than one of our boys. Stanley Barber, Harold Patty, and Don Zimmerman are going in for army life, while the Marines are taking over Alan Elliott. On the other hand, DeVon Lundberg who is now married, too, Jack Downing, and Clem Kuespert are taking over in the Navy. Joe Danowski is wavering between the Army and working until the draft catches him.

College entrants have decreased in number with only five graduates going in for any kind of further education at the present. Bill Engle is entering Notre Dame, Elizabeth Erhardt and Eleanor Johnson are going into Nurses' training, Bill Koehler is going to Business College, and David Holmgren is heading for the Army Air Force via Kenyon College. Jack McGirr and Jack Boswell, who are not graduates, are leaving one semester early to go into the V-1 at Notre Dame.

Kaye Lewis, Rosemary Erler, and Ralph Heck are going to blaze paths into the wide world of work, as are Arlene Hover, Euniece Jaqua, Gene Bunnell, Phyllis Gerard, Lois Gillen, Mary Alice Hamblen and several others.

As usual the "undecided-as-to-future" group is by far the largest. Among these individuals are Jack Beverstein, Gene Gardner, Ruth McCormick, John Muszer, Tom Krieg, Ruth Ruffner, Jack Rice, and Fred Nash.

To them all, regardless of choice, we wish the best of everything!

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 Boy student: "No, I'm Thompson."

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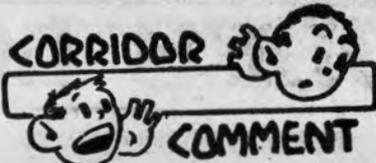
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TOM TANNER: Swell, it wears you out for a good night's sleep.

DIXIE LOU BONSALE: I think they are keen; they give the kids something to do after games.

ED CHARTIER: I think it would be swell if they all would turn out as well as the first one.

BETTY MURPHY (Murt): I think it would be nice if a certain person didn't have to work; otherwise, strictly on the beam.

BERNIE HULTGREN: Basketball games and dances go swell together. It would be a good idea if they had them all the time.

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HERE AND THERE ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Bob McIntyre's 19 points against Roosevelt of East Chicago was the highest contribution an Eagle has ever made in a single contest. Ernie Warrick who scored 22 points for Washington-Clay, as the Colonials drubbed Adams, 35 to 33, connected for the highest total ever scored against the Eagles.

Believe it or not, the Adams team participating in the first game that they had ever played, scored 42 points against Walkerton for the second highest number of points that they have ever been able to muster in their short history. The highest total came against North Judson as they trounced the Blue Jays, 46 to 18.

I see where my alma mater, Jefferson, won the junior high basketball championship. The Bulldogs polished off Washington, 21 to 20, in the final game of the meet.

Remember Ed Ehlers, basketball star for Central two seasons back? Well, Ed is cutting a lot of capers for Purdue now, and has chalked up 31 points in the Boilermakers' two conference games to date.

Joe Fragomeni, a star player on last year's Adams football and basketball teams, was one of the 12 freshmen to earn a major letter at Ball State. Joe saw considerable action at right half on the Cardinal football team.

Food for Thought

Will Dave Gallup's prediction of Riley to win the conference actually come true? Will Central lose another conference game before 1945? Will Adams ever beat Central? Does Bob McIntyre put eyes and a steering wheel on that basketball when he takes those shots?

Stanley Feuer.

ATHLETIC AWARDS MADE

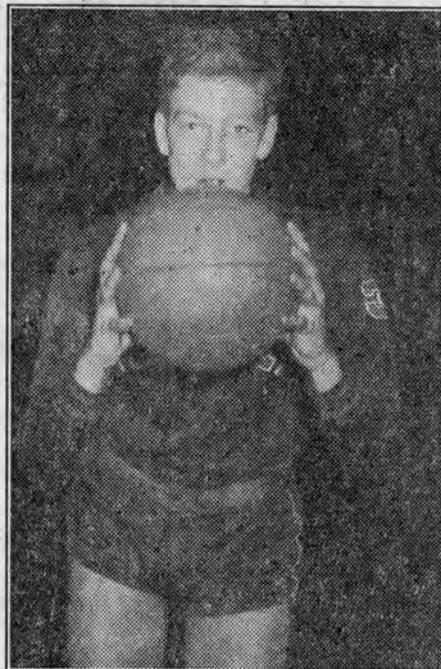
There is a group of boys at Adams that were given special mention in an assembly Friday, January 15. They are the boys who have been out there plugging day after day on the football field. They are the fellows that had the ability and spirit to earn one of Adams' most coveted awards, a football sweater.

Boys that won sweaters:

Alan Elliott, Dominic Simeri, De-Von Lundberg, Fred Nash, John Goldsberry, Paul Keb, Louis McKinney, George Pfaff, Don Zimmerman, Harold Slutsky, Charles Piper, Dick Troeger, Jim Ball, Jim Mester, Jack Beverstein, LeVon Ladyga, John Ray, Vince Fragomeni, Dave Holmgren, Gerhart Gerbeth, Pat Bailey, Ray Bowden.

Managers — Dick Wharton, Phil Ellsworth.

Minor Awards — Andrews, Walters, Shuman, Downing, Granning, Jester, Barber, Biron, and Manager, Dale Douglas.



Donald Eugene Barnbrook is the 6'1", 163 lb. junior on the Adams basketball team. Don was born in South Bend on January 11, 1926 and has always lived here.

Don went to Riley during his junior high education. He has played basketball since he was in the 4th grade. He has won minor letters in basketball, playing when he was a freshman, sophomore, and now as a junior on the first string he is doing a swell job out there. No doubt inherited his basketball likeness and ability from his father.

Don's favorite food is a nice juicy steak smothered with mushrooms with a course of ice cream and pie out of season.

ADAMS LOSES TO MAROONS, PANTHERS

Well, the Adams "Hitless Wonders" have lost two league games in as many weeks and knocked themselves out of the conference race so quickly that I doubt if anyone knows yet what happened. The Mishawaka Cavemen proved that they do other things besides live in caves by walloping the Eagles, 40-31. Then we came back and took Roosevelt of East Chicago into camp and I thought for a moment we were back on the winning trail. But alas, my hopes were short lived when the following Friday we lost again, this time to our west-side Washington friends. Since we have a habit of winning every other game we should have beaten Wakarusa last night but even that is doubtful.

Last year we had trouble with our fouls. This year we seem to be making a few more. Maybe it would be a good idea if Mr. Primmer would offer a cup for the boy who made the most foul shots. Sort of an incentive.

But I think a better idea would be for Mr. Primmer to offer a prize for the fellow who took the most shots, because, boys, we don't take half enough, especially when we're ahead.

If any of you saw the Central-So. Side of Ft. Wayne game last Friday you get the idea of what I mean.

(Of course Central plays firewagon ball and that seems to be taboo on the east side.) Central was behind at the half but they came back and took the lead. They kept the lead the rest of the way and won by 17 points.

Do you know why? Because they started to shoot when they were behind and they kept right on shooting even though they were ahead.

Now, playing slowly and setting up plays is alright, but for goodness sake when you get a shot take it. There are some fellows who shoot a little too much. Bob McIntyre found out Washington doesn't read the newspapers. Maybe you should have shown them all those clippings you've got at home, Mac.

Barney Barnbrook had better start wearing his glasses. Is it just that you can't see that basket, Barney?

Speaking of seeing the basket, I wonder what Mouse Muszer thinks it's up there for. You don't have to be afraid of wearing out the nets, Mouse, we can still buy them.

Oh say, while I'm on the subject, somebody better take Bill and Dick Sayers out and teach them to dribble and pass and set up plays. Evidently they forgot to learn that somewhere along the line.

Hersh Wamsley and Les Metzger are still in there plugging. Congratulations boys for holding up the John Adams "basketball" team.

Well, I guess I've just about covered the boys pretty well. Remember, boys, this is just how others see you. Some try to star too much, others not enough. Now and then we try set up plays and they work pretty well. Oh, say fellows, in case you didn't happen to notice, it took just about two minutes to blow our seven-point lead the other night.

I hope this doesn't happen in the Riley or Ft. Wayne game.

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