

BANQUET FOR FOOTBALL TEAM

HONORS, AWARDS, HIGHLIGHT EVENING

November 26, 1945 will long be a red letter day in the memories of the John Adams High School 1945 football team. Being honored in a banquet, the boys received the best in food, speakers, and good wholesome enjoyment.

In this sixth annual affair, held at the Zion Evangelical and Reformed Church, the proceedings were in charge of Mr. Russell Rothermel, with the toastmastership given to Mr. Forrest Wood, Director of Athletics in the School City. Mr. Rollo Neff gave the invocation.

Steak of the finest texture, potatoes and gravy, and all the trimmings were no less than devoured by the lusty squad members. Not to be outdone by boys, Mr. Floyd Dickey, one of the many faculty members present, ate not only his own fruit cocktail but also the one at the empty plate beside him. Ingenious devices were carried out to eat the ice cream which was somewhat hard. Mr. Dickey also pioneered here, when he held his plate over the candle.

A general feeling of enthusiasm greeted Mr. Wood as he started the entertainment off after mealtime. The program was initiated by Mr. Frank E. Allen, Superintendent of Schools. In his observations, Mr. Allen stated that head coach, Alonzo Goldsberry, performed the coaching task at Adams merely in the spirit of cooperation and wished to retire from those duties and only be a teacher. Mr. Goldsberry was commended by the speaker for his fine spirit in the past few years.

Mr. Fred Helman, who is president of the school board, pepped up the session with a witty joke.

Mr. Wood then introduced Coach Goldsberry and told of a hunting trip the two had enjoyed the previous Friday. Not to be outdone, Mr. Goldsberry returned the joke and told more of the rabbit expedition. The retiring coach's main thoughts were, of course, on the team which he introduced individually and also their parents. Visiting rival coaches and Adams' assistant coaches were recognized and Mr. Goldsberry gave some fine words for the boys to remember in future years.

Dr. O. J. Grundy, representing the Kiwanis Club, gave to Robert Nitz the award for the most valuable team member and the one who was highest in scholarship. Dr. Grundy also promised of future welfare for winners of the award.

Reco's most valuable line man award went to Leroy Kelly who was voted the honor by his fellow team members several weeks hence. Roy Blondell presented the award.

— — GREAT TIME HAD BY ALL



Photographs courtesy of Jerry Gray of the Album Staff.

Curtis Heckaman received the most valuable backfield trophy from E. B. Nelson, speaking for Gilbert's. This also came from team votes.

Mr. Robert Overaker spoke for the South Bend Tribune but regretfully announced that no award was formulated this year.

Mr. Galen B. Sargent, principal of John Adams, completed introductions by presenting the faculty and the five cheerleaders present. He talked of the fine system of athletics in South Bend and the excellent spirit that prevailed at Adams.

The principal address was delivered by George Basker, head football mentor at Washington High School. His talk was enjoyed by all and the simple warm manner of presentation drew profound interest. Mr. Basker urged the boys to work just a little harder for that coveted berth on the first string and also that in life a high goal can be attained only by work. "Gentlemen, I commend you on your fine season, and hope that you will always follow a standard path of achievement" were his closing words.

This banquet was a fitting tribute to the team, its graduating seniors, and to Mr. Goldsberry, the retiring coach. It will long be cherished by all present as a pillar of manhood.

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Midyear Senior Prom December 15

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This year the four high-schools of South Bend will hold their mid-semester senior prom, December 15, in the Indiana Club. Bud Simpson and his orchestra will play for the occasion and all tickets are \$1.80 per couple, tax included. This year as usual the tickets have been divided proportionally among the four high schools. Adams' percentage entitles them to 110 tickets and may be purchased from any senior sponsor teacher, and only the first 110 buying them will be able to obtain them. All Adams seniors and alumni are cordially invited.

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Leon Simon Killed On Korea

Ex-Adamite Dies Accidentally

Many John Adams students read the news of the death of Leon Simon with sadness. Leon, age 19, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Simon, 718 South 26th Street, died in Fuson, Korea, October 29, of a gunshot wound accidentally inflicted while he was on guard duty. He was serving with the 160th infantry in Korea.

Leon was a member of the graduating class of 1943 and after graduation he studied a year in Purdue University before entering the service. He entered the army here July 24, 1944 and received his first training in the anti-aircraft service, and later in tank service. He went overseas in June, 1945 and saw service in Manila and Luzon, Philippine Islands, and finally in Korea.

Those of us who were sophomores in 1943 remember Leon well. He was a very active member of his class. He was a member of the Ushers' Club and also had an important part in "Lady Precious Stream."

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF JOHN ADAMS

In my opinion, the student government of John Adams isn't what it could be. It could be something strong and united if it had organization, cooperation, and initiative behind it. Neither the students nor the faculty shows an active or interested part in promoting a strong student governing body. We have a student council here at Adams, but a large per cent of the pupils know little or nothing of it or its work. If the students could be informed on issues and problems confronting the council, each could voice his opinion and take an active part. In this way, too, the council could have a general idea of the feelings of the students. A space in the Tower would offer an excellent place for the issues and problems to be printed. I believe, that if the student body could sit in on one of the student council meetings it would understand and become acquainted with the council's functioning. If we could all get behind our student government and our school and pull together we could have the finest high school government and the finest school spirit in the country today.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

No matter where it may be found—at John Adams or at any other of the nation's schools—student government tends to develop three main characteristics in the individual student. Perhaps, the most obvious of these qualities is administrative ability, brought out in the daily routine of governing school life. Even though in school, the process appears on a reduced scale. The basic technique of dealing with conflicting interests comes with personal experience in government. As a result of such constant contact with the types of problems which later arise in civil, national, and even international government, the student gains an invaluable sense of administrative principles.

Secondly, there appears an emphasis on independent thinking. Though he may never before have come to grip with a problem he must solve on his own, the boy who helps govern his school must eventually make decisions for himself, consulting only his own background. He must be able to act on a moments notice, at a time when nobody else's advice is available; and whatever decisions he reaches, whether or not he formulates them alone, must surely bear only on his personal record. The net result of the necessity for independence, then, is the quality of self-reliance.

Finally, the individual finds that he holds in his hands more than his own welfare. To him is trusted the interests of his fellow students. Whenever he chooses a policy, he must be ready to answer for it to others, not just himself. No matter how hard he may try, he can not help but tread upon one person while upholding another, and he must be sure of his justification. There's a sense of responsibility emerges as the final characteristic developed by student government.

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How to Sing
or
No, Not the Whip!!

Early to bed—early to rise (yawn!) What a life! What a walk through the dark morning hours to glee club. Here is our typical morning rendezvous. We get up at approximately 7:05. Mother has been calling for a solid half hour but just now we fall out of bed on our face. We make an attempt to get dressed and get down to breakfast. Gulping a glass of milk in one hand and gathering our belongings in the other, we whiz out the door and throughout the snow.

Finally (though it's a wonder) we arrive at the little theater where glee club has been in session fifteen minutes. Creeping in quietly in order to avoid being checked late we fall over someone's stack of books. The crash calls everyone's attention to a distorted heap on the floor—guess who?

After we're comfortably settled in our chairs Mrs. Pate awakens us by cracking her long black cat-o-nine-tails over our heads. "Accompanist" our director yells. Pat and Elnor who have been here a full two minutes, start the mellow strains of "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town." (Oops! Wrong song!)

"But Mrs. Pate," a pained voice cries, "I am breathing. I've been breathing all night." After that follows breathing exercises in which we all hold our breath for five minutes. Guin and Hersh stand on either end of the platform, flogging the sissies who can only hold their's for four.

Anyway, the singing does start. Dick Schall and Curt lead the group in singing our favorite songs. The Christmas music has all of us in a mellow mood and the basses come up with "The Atcheson, Topeka and Santa Fe." Of course, it's not quite as good as the Crosby version but Gooley has all the girls crying "Oh, Bill."

After sponsor period is over and all chances to work on our civics are past, we all file out to the tune of "hut-two-three-four" and eagerly (?) await the next time the glee club meets.

IT'S TRUE

The Erhardt sisters are wondering whether Hersh Keefer went deer hunting or dear hunting!!

Lynn Wright and Joyce Huffman have adopted the "good neighbor policy." I have another name for it, don't you? ?

The new senior boy seems to have made quite an impression. Yes, I mean Kenny Knode.

"Love me, love my sweetie," is Dick Green's new saying!! He has been seen with a cute girl—(not an Adamite! Hummm - -)

GAL FOUR—ADAMS TOWER

Flash! Shirley Williams and Dan Walters joined the "Share the Sect" Club when they went to Chicago with the Drama Club—Ah, ha!

TOWER
TALK

Well kiddies, back again to shovel a little dirt and advice your way. This week's lecture is on "I saw you Last Night" and "Got that Old Feeling" or "What is Love," anyway? (You tell me.) Oh well everybody has his own ideas.

Now let's take Millie Peterson for instance. She goes humming "Love Letters" all day long. What's it all about? Well a certain Fred was home a few weeks ago and I heard that they really had fun. Oh well why am I telling you all this when you already know it!

Then there's Bob Thoner, a fine young man. Bob thinks love is a funny thing. (You really hit it on the head Bob old boy.) He says there's no future in girls! Now mind you gals, Bob doesn't know that he has a few ardent admirers. In fact he probably doesn't even know they exist.

Pat Center claims love is a "walking on air" feeling. You just feel so good that you don't get mad at anyone at all never, never Dick. Dick tells me that Pat has a mighty fine point here.

Help wanted by confirmation! Is it true that Johnny Bennett is that way about Mary Kayser? It seems as though all girls fall for "John's," such as John Leonhard and Ernie.

It just ain't fair!! Nope, it ain't. Here at Adams we have some of the best looking fellas in town. They'll grow up to be Van Johnson's. But why, oh why do they like the Centralites. First thing I heard when I came back to school this week, was that Bob Nitz is taking Bobbie to the prom. "Love Boat" Carl Cook is still going strong with Mary. Even if he does take his sister to the basket ball games. Then too, Bo Bayman and Jonnie are still cheering together.

Two weeks ago we had some neat dances here in town, loads of people were there. Such as Nan Bartol and Bob (string bean) Hine (Riley.) Pat Hardy and Rod, Maggie Jahnke and her Rileyite, and Tom Lane with Gloria Sollitt.

Seen around the halls are three of our cute alumni. None other than Doug Robertson, Roy Andrews and Carl Johnson. Sure is good seeing them again. By the way, if we're going to mention Andy we might as well tell you that he is still going with Phyl. Carl and Ruthe Orton (Ex Riley) are still hitting it off. We can't leave Doug out so we might say he still loves everyone and every one loves him.

We might also mention that Joan Dibble has another man on her trail, Dewey Moore. Also Em Thomas has left his other loves and now has Nan Flickinger.

It isn't easy to remember every word of a song, when you're singing to the gal you think is pretty swell, is it Curt Heckaman?

Professor: "What are the three words most used among college students?"

Freshman: "I don't know."

Professor: "Correct."

AROUND ADAMS

by Fred Wegner

YOU THINK YOU'RE PECULIAR!

Jules Mazarin, the famous French statesman, was convinced that he was a tulip, and had himself sprinkled and set out in the sun.

Samuel Johnson, the English writer, collected orange peels, looking for them in alleys and trash heaps. He saved them all.

Richard Wagner, the composer, used to greet guests by standing on his head; and Balzac, the French novelist, was so conceited he tipped his hat every time he spoke of himself.

Bishop Munster, the 18th Century Divine, was so absent-minded that when he saw a notice on the door of his room which read: "The Master of the house is out," he sat down and awaited his own return.

Hans Andersen, fairy tale writer, even as a middle-aged man, would cry at the table if he wasn't helped first, or wasn't given more jam on his bread than anyone else.

Sarah Bernhardt used to take her coffin with her wherever she went and would often sit in it while serving tea to guests.

Catherine the Great, of Russia, used to think she was a cat, and would go screeching up and down the halls of her castle at night giving what she called "Cat Concerts."

And Daniel Webster used to go out in the fields with buckets of paint and smear it on the faces of cows.

Don't you like . . .

- Lynn Minzie's hair?
- Mr. Krider's plaid shirts?
- Bill Gooley's voice?
- Bob Moore's red plaid pants?
- Don Senour's "boogie"?
- Betty Bryant's quiet ways?
- Al Smith's turned-up nose?
- Beve Turpin's Indian jewelry?
- Eileen Shoemaker's smile?
- Marilyn Zimmer's complexion?
- Pat Traub's manner of dress?
- Curt Heckaman's walk?
- Joyce Witwer's personality?
- Betty Furnish's intelligence?
- Pat Lidecker's musical ability?
- Piggy Lambert's pink pants?
- Pat Bonnell's complexion?
- Janice Van Houten's sweet smile?
- Shirley Williams?

"I beg your pardon, Miss, but would you care to take a ride?"

"Sir, I'll have you know I'm a lady."

"I know that. If I wanted a man, I'd go home and get my father."



Yes, I do know a nice girl. She's a Senior B and her subject are Social Living, Physics I, Spanish V, and English VIII. Quite a schedule for a busy girl. Yes, she's cute and has brains, too.

This girl I'm thinking of is 16 years of age. (sweet sixteen); is of average height (55½) and has brown eyes and chestnut hair.

She went with a fellow named Ray for about five months. Yes fellows, she has a phone. The number is 3-4234. Ask for Marion. The Grassby's live at 1010 Bellevue in case the line is busy.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

- Glee Club
- Altos, 7:30
- All Members, 8:00
- Orchestra, 7:45
- Drama Club, 3:55
- G. A. A. Skating Party—Playland Park

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

- Dr. Frith—Health Classes, 3rd, 4th, 5th periods—girls
- Dr. Carter—10:00—Health Classes—boys
- Glee Club
- Tenors 7:30
- Triple Trio, 8:00
- Band 7:45
- G. A. A. Meeting—noon

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

- Glee Club
- Basses, 7:30
- All members, 8:00
- Dr. Frith—Health Classes 3rd, 4th, 5th periods—girls
- Dr. Carter—10:00—Health Classes—boys
- Washington and Nappanee game—here
- Adams and LaPorte game—there

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

- Central and Northside game—here

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10

- Bonds and Stamp Sales
- Bulletin

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11

- 11A, 12B, 12A boys—Army Film 8:30 a. m.
- Orchestra Clinic, Central High School.

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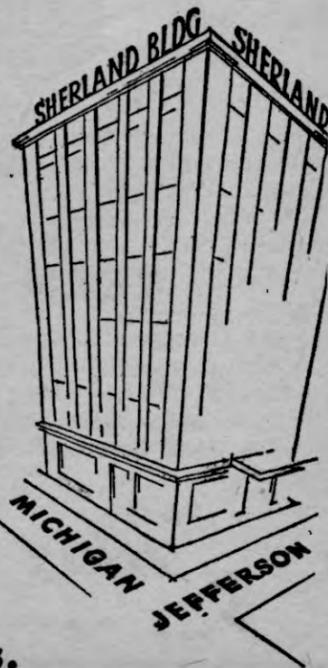
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CONTEST MARRIED BY 42 FOULS

The Mishawaka quintet slid over Adams' Eagles, 38-30. Paced by a clever guard, Bob Barnard, it was a "hammer and tong" battle throughout. A total of 42 fouls were called as Marsee, star Mishawaka center, left via the personal route in the early stages of the contest.

Coach Powell started with the same five boys of our two previous games; Howell and Personette at guards, Fohrer at center, and Wulf and Nitz at the forward posts. Glenn Personette played a well fought game for the entire 32 minutes. The reserves saw plenty of action in the third and fourth quarters as Coach Powell substituted frequently. He indicated that there would be plenty of hard work this week in preparation for Goshen, which is our first conference tilt of the current season.

Our Eaglets, however, were in the win column. After a 35-minute delay because the officials were late, the "B" Team came out on top after a bitterly contested game. George Granberry and Dave Dox were high-point men with ten and nine points, respectively.

(Editor's Note: A story by Rodney Million.)

TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

A really scrappy brood of Eagles were clipped by Mishawaka's Cavemen. As the South Bend Tribune said "The two teams went at each other as if a gridiron title was a stake."

In my opinion, if we would have played basketball as we usually do and forgot about being rough with our twin city rivals, the score might have been more pleasing.

The boys were not hitting as usual though, and it seems that when January 4 rolls around the Eagles can do much better. Wait and see.

Can't you see the pleased look on Mr. Goldsberry's face after Indiana trounced Purdue. "Big John" was frequently mentioned by the announcer as being in on the tackle. Only an Adams graduate could do that! I can see John starting in on that turkey dinner after the game, too—that guy can really eat.

The Eagles will fly to LaPorte Friday night in the second conference encounter. At this writing the Slicers have fallen to Horace Mann of Gary 38-28 and before Friday will have played Fort Wayne and Plymouth. Get a gang together and support the team!

Jim McNeile,
Tower Sports Editor.

Tribune, Tower Select Honor Team

The South Bend Tribune announced the 1945 Twin City eleven on November 27. The selections were voted by seven coaches who met and selected their choices.

John Adams was represented by Leroy Kelly on the second eleven and placed Bob Nitz, Curt Heckaman, Bill Bachman and Glenn Zubler in the honorable mention column.

My choices follow and are slightly altered and somewhat toward Adams.

FIRST TEAM

- Ed Martinzak (Wash.)E
- Bob Nitz (Adams)E
- Milt Christen (Cent.)T
- Bill Wensits (Riley)T
- Casmir Witucki (Wash.)G
- Leroy Kelly (Adams)G
- Glenn Zubler (Adams)C
- Bob Hartman (Riley)B
- Bob Barnard (Mish.)B
- Ed Lach (Wash.)B
- Dick Flowers (Cent.)B

SECOND TEAM

- Mike Voynovich (Riley)E
- Frank Wulf (Adams)E
- Bill Bachman (Adams)T
- Leonard Kaczynski (Wash.)T
- Bill Roggaman (Mish.)G
- Paul Zhiss (Riley)G
- Tony Csenar (Wash.)C
- Curtis Heckaman (Adams)B
- Andy Tompos (Riley)B
- Ed Hickey (Mish.)B
- Jim White (Riley)B

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