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SENIOR COMMITTEES CHOSEN

Chicago University Offers Scholarships

CHICAGO, SPECIAL... One hundred and twenty-five scholarships, valued at \$108,000, will be awarded in the College of the University of Chicago for the 1946-47 school year to students who have completed the sophomore, junior or senior years in high school, Chancellor Robert M. Hutchins announced.

The scholarships, to be granted in nation wide competition held April 20, 1946, are awarded from the university's \$566,975 annual budget for aid to students attending the university. Last year the university presented scholarships and fellowships in a cash amount large enough to carry the expenses of a moderate-sized community.

The College scholarships, to be awarded for the September quarter, will be granted on the basis of attitude examinations testing the student's ability to learn, not what he already knows. The awards, made for one year but renewable on the basis of student's academic work, range in value from \$330 to \$2,800.

Students who have completed two, three or four years of high school are eligible for the spring competition. The College of the University of Chicago admits students after the sophomore year in high school and enables them to complete their general education with a bachelor's degree, by the age of 18 and 19.

Each student begins the College program at the level for which his educational achievement qualifies him, regardless of high-school credits. The adjustment to the College is achieved through placement tests, which are given in the first few days of the student's residence, prior to registration. Most high school graduates should, if their work is satisfactory, be able to qualify for the bachelor's degree after two years in the College; abler students may receive the degree in even less time.

The Chicago College program differs in two other ways from the traditional collegiate program. Its course of study consists of an integrated system of fourteen courses covering the principal fields of knowledge rather than an assortment of courses chosen by the student himself. It measures the achievements of students by comprehensive examinations rather than by the accumulation of course credits.

Twenty-one metropolitan cities have been designated as centers for the tests. These cities are: Los Angeles, Denver, Washington, D. C., Indianapolis, South Bend, Boston, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Minneapolis, Kansas City, St. Louis, Omaha, New York City, Cincinnati, Cleveland,

Journalists Hear Miller In Seminar

Thirteen Students Attend Meeting

Monday, February 4, a group of students from the Tower staff attended the first meeting of the Journalism seminar. Sessions of the seminar begin at 3:00 P. M. for six Mondays. They are being held in the library of the Central Senior High School.

The seminar, which is under the direction of the South Bend Tribune, will consist of informal lectures on newspaper production by prominent members of the Tribune Staff. Student journalists and their staff advisors from public and parochial high schools in South Bend are invited to attend.

The first speaker was F. A. Miller, president and editor of the Tribune. His topic for discussion was editorial aims and policy. Other later discussions will center around news gathering and presentation, composition, engraving, stereotyping, paper and printing, advertising, circulation and radio.

Those staff members attending from Adams were Pat Kissinger, Nancy Chappell, Jack Highberger, Jean Steinmetz, Marion Grassby, Jerry Bessler, Jimmie McNeile, Fred Wegner, Pat Guyon, Joyce Schleiger, Lois Lenon and Jean Clark. The group enjoyed Mr. Miller's views on newspaper editing and are looking forward to the coming meetings.

INTRODUCING MISS BAUER

Miss Mary Jane Bauer who is the girls' new physical education teacher. She, being from Lafayette, Indiana, is a "Hoosier" like most of us. She received her training at Purdue University, which she attended for four years. Miss Bauer has taught at New Carlisle and Lincoln Schools. Her favorite dish is the good old American dish, fried chicken. Her pet peeve is men drivers, (isn't that a woman for you!) All in all she is a fine instructor so let's give her all our support.

Milwaukee and Chicago.

Arrangements will also be made to hold additional group examinations apply. Individual examinations will also be arranged.

Students wishing to apply may obtain forms by writing the entrance counselor, University of Chicago, Chicago 37, Ill. Students must return applications by April 1, 1946. In view of the vast number of veterans returning to school, applications for admittance to the College for the September quarter should also be submitted to the admissions officer by April 1.

FLICKINGER TAKES AMERICAN LEGION SPEECH CONTEST

After a great struggle, which nearly created heat here at Adams, Garrett Flickinger emerged the winner of the American Legion Speech Contest. The other contestants furnished some fine competition, but they couldn't quite match Mr. Flickinger. Taking second and third honors were Charles Cone and Homer Baggett, respectively. The contest was held Thursday, January 31, at 3:30 P. M. and was judged by three capable members of the faculty. They were Mr. Krider, Mr. McNamara and Miss Bennett. Whether or not there will be a district contest is undecided. However, if there is one, Garrett will represent Adams among the other schools of the county. A lot of hard work is involved in making and mastering speech, and I think the winners of this contest deserve no end of praise. Nice work, boys!

Music Appreciation Classes Offered Again

In the early days of our John Adams musical career, "music appreciation" classes were enjoyed. New records were bought. Students scheduled this course in their programs, and the appreciation of classical and semi-classical music soared. Disaster then struck! The war came. Extra required subjects were added, and the music appreciation classes were sacrificed.

Now that the war is over we hope to again offer appreciation classes. There have been many requests. So far this year only one class has been worked into the program. This class is Wednesday morning, first hour. Any of you who have a free period at that time are welcome to schedule this class.

The records in the collection are varied and many. Some of them are: "None but the Lonely Heart," "Liebestraum," "Unfinished Symphony," "Grieg's Concerto in A Minor," and "Hungarian Rhapsody." More classes will be secheduled next semester and it will be well worth while to join one of these groups.

DRAMA CLUB GIVES COKE

Last Wednesday, February 6, the Drama Club gave its mid-semester coke to welcome its new members among the in-coming sophomores. The regular meeting was held and was followed by a speech by Mr. McNamara. The program was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were then served. All the members of both the Drama Club and faculty were cordially invited.

Students Named For Commencement Activities

The senior class sponsor, Miss Puterbaugh met with the senior officers and cabinet recently and chose the committees for the various activities which the upperclassmen plan for this spring.

Mr. Henningfeld is to have charge of Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises this year. He will be assisted by a committee of five students of which Peter McNamee is the chairman. Others working on this committee are John Shafer, Emily Kronewitter, Bill Baker and Beverly Turpin. Baccalaureate is scheduled for May 19, while the seniors will graduate on May 30.

The senior awards assembly will be in the hands of Mr. McNamara. Assisting him will be Janice Van Houten, chairman, Bill Anderson, Jo Anne Douglas, Garrett Flickinger, Marion Grassby, Curtis Heckaman, Lynn Minzey, Dick Schall, Wava Wishman and Frank Wulf.

The Senior Prom which is scheduled for May 17 at the Progress Club will have Miss Puterbaugh in charge. Student assistants are Tom Rutherford, Joyce Witwer, Jerry Bessler, Dick Guin and Jean Clark. In their meetings to date the committee has chosen an orchestra.

These students together with the senior officers and cabinet members can be depended upon to make graduation a thing well worth remembering. The senior officers are president, Bob Nitz; vice-president, Al Smith; secretary, Bob Thoner; treasurer, Bob Bayman. The senior cabinet members are: from 106, Regina Freels; room 107, Frances Bickel; room 204, Margaret Jahnke; room 208, Tom Rutherford.

GIRL RESERVES MEET

At a recent meeting of the Girl Reserves the plans for their spring formal were discussed. The formal will be open to Girl Reserves all over South Bend and Mishawaka, and their male guests. Also discussed was the Recognition Ceremonial for Girls Reserves of all Senior High School G. R. Clubs. The ceremonial will begin at 3:00 Sunday, February 17, and a tea for the mothers will follow. Helen Stanfield and Darlene Jaqua are committee representatives. All Girl Reserves will be expected to be there so remember that date, February 17, 3:00 P. M., at the Y.W.C.A.

A membership drive began also at this meeting. Girls interested in joining bring your lunch and meet in the study hall at noon February 13.

TOWER**THE STAFF****TOWER**

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WOMEN

(By a boy with four sisters.)
 A girl is an unpredictable thing.
 Worry and trouble is all they bring
 This exciting phenomenon starts at birth
 Making a female baby more trouble than worth.

Next comes the girl at five; a most stubborn age
 If things go against her, she goes into a rage
 Time passes to her teens
 Frank Sinatra, jivey dreams.

Old man times goes on and on to her 20th birthday
 By this time she's usually married, everything goes her way
 She grows older to the age of thirty
 Which means she fibs about her years, but she's still purty.

They say life begins at forty, but no
 She can't believe her age as years swiftly go
 By this time she has taken to slacks,
 Her body beautiful begins to look like tied up sacks.

Now they're old enough to collect social security
 They have reached the age of virtue and purity
 The moment has arrived to celebrate the fiftieth
 She also has a daughter, who the boys say is the niftieth.

The golden wedding band once new
 Has taken on a greenish hue
 All together women are not so bad
 Until you're married to them, quotes your dad.

A CHANGE OF SEASON

The ermine, the pearls, the things that one sees,
 Are the holiday aires put on by the trees.
 From the statelist elm to the lowliest weed,
 Their colorful livery is silken and bead.

The ancient mill stream that once tinkled so nice,
 Wears a beautiful coat of silvery ice.
 The tune of the water wheels whispering song
 Is only a memory but not for so long.

For winter will pass and spring come again,
 With its beautiful flowers enticed by the rain.
 Spring slowly will blossom and bloom till full grown,
 Then make way for summer as if it had known.

God meant it to fade in all of its glory
 With summer approaching to tell us her story.
 A story of rollicking joyous good fun
 A fable which nature n'er meant to be done.

And summer will herald the coming of fall,
 Who answers in color most becoming of all
 It's tale is one which will never grow old
 With hues softly changing to shimmering gold.

—Joan Steinmetz.

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"Lynette"

"Did you ever see a dream walking? Well, I did!" You can too if you will drop around to the 12A's stomping ground in 208. Once inside the door look for a little girl about 5' 3" with dark brown eyes, and long, lustrous hair with just enough wave in it to make her petite face look like the princess in the fairly-tales. She will probably be with Fran, Maggie, Jean or Jan, a few of her best girl-friends. She likes school and is quite well satisfied with her trig. class since Mr. Weir instructs it, and men are her favorite teachers.

If you call 4-1797 and the line is busy, Lynn is probably talking to Jerry or one of her many other friends with whom she has so much fun. They are probably making plans to go to a basketball game, her favorite pastime. While dancing, if you see her suddenly go starry-eyed when the band plays, "I Can't Begin to Tell You," don't get ideas—it is only her favorite song. Then if the man of-the-hour really want to please her, he will take her out and stuff her with fudge. This will cinch the deal, and the handsome young gentleman will be her friend for life.

Valentine Verses

Since this is the day for sweethearts, I thought I'd be cupid's little helper and compose valentine verses to stagger through this article (?) I practically wracked my brain trying to think of something that would be appropriate—so while wrecking—er, wracking it, I suddenly thought of my collection of old sentimental valentines and here are the souvenirs of my past love affairs. (?) Notice the sentiment and the beautiful way in which these are written.

1. I really had some job to get
 A valentine for your
 The clerk was quite impatient
 Before my search was through
 But I knew what I wanted
 And I was firm
 Until I found a valentine
 That suits you fine
 You Worm!
2. Roses are red
 Violets are blue
 If you'll be my valentine
 I'll be yours too.
3. Roses are red
 Violets are blue
 My daddy's a fireman,
 Can you swim?
4. On this day
 Our hearts entwine
 I'll be thine
 If thy'll be mine.

Hear about the man who fell out of an airplane?
 How unfortunate!

Yes, but a haystack was right underneath.

How fortunate!
 Yes, but a pitchfork was sticking out of the haystack.

How unfortunate!
 Yes, but he didn't hit the pitchfork.
 How fortunate!
 Yes, but he didn't hit the haystack.

TOWER TALK

Hello kids! Here is your snoopy ol' reporter just bubbling over with all sorts of thoughts about Valentine's day, hearts and sweet hearts. Since tomorrow is official sweet hearts' day, what could be better than to report on sweethearts? (brilliant deduction!)

First off, Bill Grounds seems to have transferred his affections to Donna Chambers; at least they're seen together everywhere. Also a romance long over looked: My friend Carl Goffeney and Riley's Virginia Meyer.

Flash! News of the week! Cute little Joyce Witwer and Frank Wulf are no longer going steady (sob!) and they were such good gossip material, too.) tis nice, though, they still date and they are the best of friends. This will turn some eyes Joyce-ward that have waited over a year for this chance.

Along the same line, have you noticed that Pat Lidecker is wearing her class ring again? Where is the one on her chain? Couldn't be that Glenn and she are broken up; they're seen together too often.

Questions of the Week

Is Bill Farabaugh going steady with Shirley Clark?

Does Margarite Kreisel do her studying in the library because of "Sid?"

What happened to the budding romance of Gordon Speth and Pat Taylor?

How does Jim Trump manage to get down from room 206 to 101 to walk Lila Cowen from there to 107 and get back to 103 in five minutes? (It's all very confusing, isn't it?)

Introducing

Helen Patty and Joe Caparo who have been keeping steady (but def.) company for five months. Joe is a graduate of Central High School and a student at Notre Dame. Helen and Joe met at a Thanksgiving party in 1944. For all who haven't seen Joe, he is dark, 5 ft 6 in. tall and "awful purty."

May I extend my humblest apologies to Corn E. McNutt who has contributed several times to this column. Any further brain storms by some one (such as the work of art "Your Girl") will be appreciated. OK?

New Faces

Life at Adams seems to agree with certain new 10 bee's, at least here are a few sophomore couples that are enjoying the atmosphere:

Bob Miller.....	Margaret Ford
Dennis Kunce.....	Joann Thorp
Tom Barth.....	Ruth Keb
LeRoy Barret.....	Mary Lou Swank
David Feller.....	Joyce Schrader
Don Phillips.....	Shirley Muncie (Nuner)
Dick Wycong.....	Connie Hudson (Nuner)

And then there's the moron who thought Sherlock Holmes was a housing project and that the Mexican border paid rent. Lawdy!

AROUND ADAMS

by Fred Wegner

Unaccustomed as I am to giving credit to any of the other high schools, I nevertheless feel as though Central has happened on to something which may be worthy of your "select attention."

"Have A Heart," Central's fifth annual revue sponsored by the Senior class, will be presented on the evenings of February 14, 15 and 16. Many hit tunes will be featured dating back to early vaudeville days, under the direction of a familiar personage, Mr. James Lewis Casaday.

The setting of the entire presentation takes place in a small department store.

During the first act which takes place a few days before Valentines Day, we find the clerks busying themselves in the store's drive to increase the sale of Valentines. A popular tune of 1880, "Down the Shadowed Lane" and "Two Hearts in Three-Four Time," an Australian number, are two of the opening numbers. A sailor customer desiring a valentine sings, "Honey, I'm In Love With You." Mary Jane Van Antwerp then lets go with "The Man I Love" followed by a couple more mellow tune, "Lonely Town" and "Gobs of Love."

The heroine, Hattie, a kleptomaniac, makes her appearance in the store and as the first act ends is being ushered out by the store janitors for attempting to steal some goldfish. Francis Slack and John Campbell portray the lead parts of Hattie and Charley, the janitor.

In the Dream Scene, Charley has fallen asleep and as he dreams the valentines come to life singing and representing more songs.

During the course of the second act the lead characters are paired off while a group of Eskimos sing a top tune of early 1900, "Ooga Ooga Wa Wa" and exotic Spanish girls, Joan Dannerberger and Nancy Magiera go through a lovely dance routine to the rhythm of "Tico Tico." Several more of the 30 musical numbers of which the show boasts are "Fireman's Bride," "Bandit Band," "You Do Something To Me," and the finale, "Today I Feel So Happy."

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STRICTLY INSTRUMENTAL

By Gus

The object of this feature is to give the fellows and girls at Adams some of the latest news about records, radio programs and dances.

Let's start out with an old band that had just started up again. "Tex" Renicki, former sax player, has gotten all the old members of Glenn Miller's band together, and formed a new outfit to keep the name of Glenn Miller alive. They are now playing at the Paramount Theatre in New York, and I'll let you know when they start making discs.

Speaking of discs, have you heard the latest Johnny Mercer platter, "Personality." It's a good record and in my opinion one of Mercer's best. Another neat record is "The Honeydripper," which has been recorded by several artists but so far Cab Calloway is the best.

For the fans who like slow, dreamy stuff, I'd suggest "Symphony" by Freddy Martin or "It's Been a Long, Long Time" by Harry James.

In the vocal department Dinah Shore has turned in a fine job on her new recording of "My Guy's Come Back." On the other side of the same record is "Honey" sung in the invincible Shore manner.

That's all for this week because I'm going to Hi-Y dance and I can't wait to hear Don "Krupa" Gallagan.

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Dorothy Bella—Lauren Bacall—because she has Humphrey Bogart.

Franny Bickel—"Nancy With the Laughing Face"—because she has "Frankie."

Pete McNamee—I would like to be the head of U.N.O. so I could unmess the world.

Bill Baker—Jane Russells' husband—Why?? Oh you fool!

Joan Butler—A cheer leader—???

Jim Connolly—Mr. MacNamara—so I could be head and shoulders over the rest of the world.

Pat Cleghorn—The wolf woman—so I would wolf without comments.

Carl Cook—Anybody from Central—Why? It's obvious.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Glee Club 8:00 A. M.
Girl Reserve Meeting Room 106—
11:45 A. M.

Drama Club Meeting 3:35 P. M.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14
Drama Club Assembly
Riley vs. Nappanee—Here
Faculty Meeting

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15
Adams vs. Elkhart—Here
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Band 7:45 A. M.

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Upset of the Year

Elkhart high school's state-rated basketball team is slated to arrive in South Bend's hotbed of hardwood happenings around 8:00 P. M. Friday, February 15.

This event has long been anticipated by Mr. Powell's squad here at Adams, especially those who recall last year's defeat in the hands of Elkhart in an overtime game. That fact could offer a motive of revenge for an Eagle victory, but foremost is the Blazers current season's success.

Statistics show that Elkhart has only one defeat in eighteen starts, and this loss was in the Hammond holiday tournament by a margin of two points.

The Blazer squad has built up sizeable victory margins and has won the close ones consistently. The team can play well under pressure and has demonstrated its ability to win on any court, although home floor showings have been more impressive.

A few season highlights are the 63-28 victory over Jimtown, a 66-34 win at Warsaw's expense, whipping Auburn 61-28, and hitting 61 points to Nappanee's 41 three weeks ago. Riley, Central, Washington and powerful LaPorte have all tried to knock off the conference leaders but with no avail. Elkhart's latest scalp came from the Central Bears and in winning that match, they assured themselves of at least a tie in the Northern Indiana High School Conference.

Pacing the red hot, and number one team in the state, are Tommy Kern and Jim Linn, both guards, and both averaging none over 5' 9". Linn scored over half of his team's forty-four points against Bristol. Forwards Tom Swarts and Bob Primavera, and big Leo Hoffman round out the usual starting five. Sharing floor duties frequently are Chuck Darling, a strapping center or forward up from the B team, Ralph Heater a guard, and high scoring Dick Brown who tallied thirty points in Nappanee to set a league mark just twenty-four hours after Central's Adams had completed the feat.

Coach John Longfellow's five, or ten for practical purposes, display fine ball handling and control. They can match a fast break or play slow ball, and present the finest in defensive play. Being far from over confident, the Blazers take each foe as they come, and enter each game with the necessary self assurance.

On the other side of the fence, the John Adams Eagles with Nitz, Howard, Personette, Howell, Murphy, and Mr. Ralph Powell at the helm, are set, as said before, to spring the upset of the year. The South Bend squad if they win, will be the first team in the district to do the seemingly impossible.

The team has practiced hard for the annual affair, and rightly expects full support from the Adams student body. The odds seem august, but winning such a match would definitely add a feather to the Eagle trophy case.

STATE RUNNER UPS TOP ADAMS FIVE

It was a game brood of Eagles that gave way to the powerful onslaught of Riley's rangy Wildcats, who won a conference match 61-45 on the Adams' hardwood February 2.

Starting five players who averaged an even six foot, the south side outfit took advantage of their height to manage the backboards about as they pleased. That fact fairly well describes the victory which gave Riley a toe hold on second place honors in the N.I.H.S.C.

Wayne Wakefield, Wildcat mentor, tried a little experiment in moving up two "B Team" players to the varsity. Both boys, Cliff Foster and Jim Welch, proved to their coach that his theory would improve the "big five" since the pair got eight points between them. Six foot five inch Nick Medich did the jumping for Riley, but Jackie Merriman played the regular pivot spot, and won scoring honors with eighteen points. Bob Hartman broke loose in the last half and poured in a deluge of fielders for a total of fifteen points.

Once again it was Timmy Howard's turn to lead the Eagles in scoring, and rebounding too, since it wasn't until the second half that big Bob Nitz started in that department. Tim bagged five goals and seven free throws for seventeen points. Donny Howell was hitting on his long shots, three of his four two-pointers coming from far out. Don finished second in the Adams scoring column with half a score of points. Glen Personette kept the Eagles going at a fast clip while he tallied eight marks, Nitz got three, Fred Wegner two, and Roland Fye one point. Captain Chuck Murphy's four points rounded out the Adams total of forty-five points. Little Charles kept Riley's Hartman bottled up in the first half and did some fancy ball handling also.

During the rousing engagement, the lead changed hands several times and saw it tied on numerous occasions. Adams was on top by three points during some periods, but the Wildcats took off during the third quarter and never were threatened thereafter.

Riley looms as a powerful threat in the nearing sectional tournament.

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TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

Don "Hilly" Howell of the renown Howell basketball clan, took four long shots in the Riley encounter and hit three of them. That figures .750 in percentage figures, which in any kind of shooting is excellent. Don's inspiration might have been Leo Klier, Notre Dame's star, who he saw in action the other night.

Incidentally, Don's kid brother, Joe, came over from Jefferson in January, and already he is working out with the "B Team." Joe promises to be quite an all around athlete.

Most of Jefferson's netters entered Adams with Joe, one of the stand outs is Ben Jurgik, who also participates in football and spring sports. Nuner sent over Tom Barth, and Ray Waterman for the hardwood, and Leroy "Moose" Barrit of gridiron fame.

The Elkhart vs. Central rift was one of those knock down drag out affairs with the Blazers ending on top. It was good to hear that South Bend's conference scoring leader, Bob Adams, was one of the cool headed players present.

For the past week, the Mishawaka page of our local paper, has run articles boasting of the Cavemen's basketball prowess. The writer, who obviously is a Maroon partisan, is taking rather lightly the defeats by three South Bend teams and tells of Mishawaka's part in the sectional tournament, which he says they will win. "Seems To Me I've Heard That Lovely Song Before."

Jimmie McNeile
Tower Sports Editor

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John Markward—Adams 38; Elkhart 40

Dick Jensen—Adams 30; Elkhart 38

Bill Carter—Adams 35; Elkhart 34

Em Thomas—Adams 49; Elkhart 48

Tom Glaser—Adams 30; Elkhart 42

Dave Turner—Adams 41; Elkhart 44

Ralph Seaman—Adams 40; Elkhart 42

Ronnie Minzie—Adams 37; Elkhart 42

John Leonhard—Adams 102; Elkhart 6

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