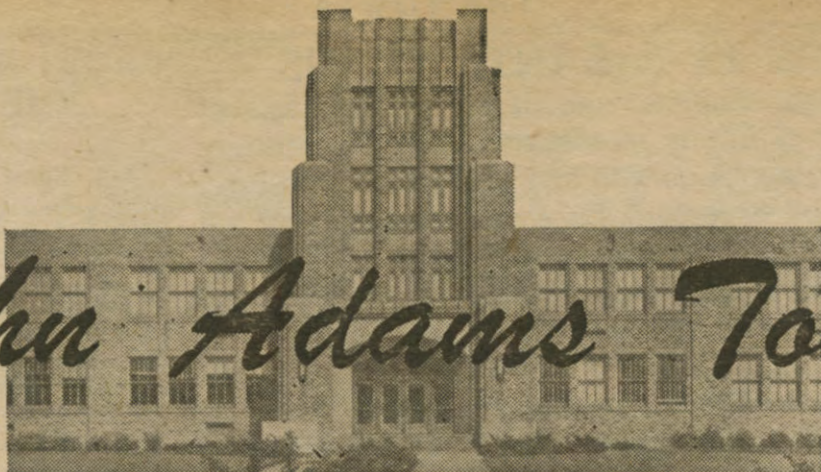


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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

COLLEGES OFFERING SCHOLARSHIPS TO SENIORS

USE COMPETITIVE EXAMS

Bulletins and letters on scholarships that have been received this semester are available for Senior use in the Guidance Office.

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HI-Y CHRISTMAS TREE DURING DECORATING PROCESS

Have you noticed the Christmas tree in John Adams first floor corridor? This is the work of the John Adams Hi-Y. It is customary with the Hi-Y in our school to place a beautiful Christmas tree at the Tower entrance every year at this time. The purpose of this activity is to create a Christmas atmosphere in our school.

Our tree was bought by the school, with members of the Hi-Y contributing decorations and setting up the tree.

Dan Rich at the left is holding the lights while Don Odekirk and Wayne Schrader (on ladder) put on the trimmings.

CHRISTMAS VACATION MEANS FUN LIKE THIS—

The main thing that is milling about in the minds of John Adams students today is the delicious thought of Christmas vacation. Three o'clock will mark the beginning of many wonderful things.

If there is snow and the air is chilled with frost, we can go skating on the Potawatomi pond or skiing on our own secret slopes in the country.

There'll be a Christmas tree to buy at Tony's and to decorate with tinsel, colored lights, cranberry strings, paper angels, silvery balls, and peppermint canes. There will be the mistletoe and the holly wreath with its big red ribbon to hang on the front door. There'll be sleigh rides and toboggan parties, and old-fashioned snowball fights in the front yard, and lots of laughter and carols and music of every kind.

The gaily-wrapped presents for Mom and Dad and Sis and big Brother and that red-headed cousin that everyone calls Scuffy—all of them will be snuggled close to the tree on Christmas eve. The house will be warm and the air crackling with suspense. (I do wonder what's in that square box) and you, Jim, will be thinking about the "leap year" Prog dance that you and Judy attended. All the fellows and gals will be home from school for the holidays and there'll be lots of fun like the party Joanne is going to have at her house. There'll be a taffy-pull and dancing to records in her basement and cokes and Christmas cookies that her Mom made special for the gang.

THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS

Christmas is never complete without the age old tale of Santa Claus and his eight tiny reindeer making their journey over the world, filling stockings with toys and hearts with love. This story is cherished especially by small children, and yet it is one that belongs to everyone, young and old alike. As we grow up, rather than discarding this tale, we come to realize that it is more than just a fable. It is the symbol of love and good will.

When a child thinks of Santa, he pictures himself receiving presents, toys, and all sorts of wonderful things, whereas an adult thinks of the joy of giving to others. This is the mark of an adult. If we want to be adults, then our goal is to take pleasure in loving and giving to others, instead of receiving for ourselves. When we have obtained our goal, then will we see the true spirit of old Saint Nick.

So remember that as long as there is love and good will in the world, there will always be a Santa Claus in which we may believe.

JEAN INGRAM.

New Year's Resolutions

It's just a few hours until the new year arrives and so you're making a long list of resolutions. You write down ten or eleven, knowing you're going to break them.

Wouldn't it be better to make only two or three and really stick to them the whole year? Serious ones that are really valuable and important.

Resolve to try to become a better citizen; you'll be helping yourself and your country. Resolve to be more considerate of others—they'll appreciate your thoughtfulness. By doing even these two things you'll help promote world peace, which is what we're all striving for—peace for the New Year and the new years to come.

DOROTHY KING.

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FACTS ABOUT THE FACULTY BY FEARLESS

You know you really haven't lived until you've had the War Veteran for a teacher. That is, of course, a war veteran who talks about his experiences. This naturally can be leading up to no other than Mr. John Gordon Nelson. How interesting can Geometry get? You certainly know, if you've ever had J. Gordon for that particular class. That's one good thing the war accomplished: giving interesting experiences to interesting speakers. The way he tells it, Jack Nelson must have been some officer and it certainly is marvellous the way he works a right triangle into an air raid without your noticing it.

Mr. Nelson, like Mr. Krider, believes in dressing for comfort. Honestly, I have yet to see his trousers and coat match, but I guess when you're paying for a Packard you can't afford to dress like Adolph Menjou.

I think it's just a shame. Here Mr. Nelson has a beautiful first name like John or even better Jack as his army buddies used to call him, and what does he do? He goes by his middle name, and limits Jack to only an initial. I tell you it's a crying shame but then I suppose I should be glad his middle handle is Gordon and not Alowisthons or Percy.

Instead of going home and brushing up on his non-euclidean geometry, Jack (I like that name, whether Gordon does or not) brings out his dusty Joe Miller Joke manuscripts. Now I like someone with a sense of humor as well as the next fellow, but brother those jokes John Gordon tells. Even I'm not that corney, and certainly everyone knows that's saying something.

Teaching such a fact-filled subject like Math doesn't stop Mr. Nelson from having his classes write little essays. One group of papers was about how Jack could improve himself and his classes. These he found very interesting but paid no attention to them.

Those who have or have not had Mr. Nelson probably do not know about Mr. N's two kids (not much they don't.) But, golly, if you've got something as nice as those children to brag about, why go right ahead and boast. I'm just wondering if they sound as much like Cary Grant as their old man does.

Actually though, Mr. Nelson is one of the best things that could happen to sophomores—some of the more pampered ones soon learn they are now high school students and had better start acting as such.

Jrs. Leading Contributors To Christmas Seal Sales

The 1948 section of the annual Christmas seal sale has come to a close with an all school total of \$145.75. This is an adequate amount but it seems as if the students could have dug deeper into their pockets for a cause as worthy as the fight against tuberculosis. We can be proud that our contribution is on the way for the conviction of this dreaded disease.

Miss Margaret Kemski, our school nurse, stated that the Hi-Y did a swell job of pushing the sale this year. Last year the basis of the quota was on the per pupil enrollment. During the year the general enrollment dropped, therefore lessening the number of contributors.

Wayne Hodge and Alan Schwam were the Hi-Y members in the role of chairmen. Under them there was stationed in each home room a representative to conduct the sales. We wish to express thanks to everyone who donated to this cause.

Sale Statistics:

Sophomores	\$38.71
Juniors	55.16
Seniors	49.65

Five highest home rooms:

1. 201	\$18.26
2. 101	12.57
3. Lib.	10.00
4. 204	9.45
5. 208	9.11

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

I stand alone in the darkness
Of a snowing winter's night
And I think of the tale of the wise-
men
Who followed the eastern light.

Lord, they in their great wisdom
Have searched from afar and
found
In the scrolls of their ancient fore-
bears
A great truth—deep and profound.

"And who am I," I cry to the stars,
"If the truth that I do possess
Does not find and drive me on
Like them—to the end of a Per-
fect Quest?"

So here I stand in the swirling
snow,
With the night stars shining above
And I lift my eyes to the Truth on
high—
And my heart is filled with love.
CAROLYN ANDERSON.

PICK A TUNE

In the Little Town of Bethlehem were a girl and boy named Frankie and Johnny who were walking in the Silent Night. "But, Johnny," said Frankie, "please tell me what you want for Christmas."

"Oh, I don't know," Johnny replied. "I've Got Plenty of Nothin." It just seems as though there's nothing I really want."

Gee, Christmas Eve is Here, and I still have to Deck the Halls and buy you a Christmas present," said Frankie. They walked on farther and all of a sudden a long, low, wolf whistle sounded from a door-way.

"Say," said Johnny, "you can't whistle at my girl that way. Come out, and I'll show you!"

Sock—wham—"Ouch."
(quote Johnny)—"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear!! All I Want for Christmas is my two Front Teeth!"

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR



LAST YEAR'S GRADUATES RECEIVE NAVAL HONORS

Word has been received from Notre Dame that Robert Bartz, a last year's graduate, was selected this year as Midshipman USNR. He is attending the University under the Naval College Training Program.

Similar information has been received from Purdue University where James Lang was selected Midshipman, USNR.

These boys have set a fine example for other students wishing to attend colleges under N.T.O.T.-C.



What are you going to do New Year's Eve?

Carol Anderson — "I'm going to paint the town red, if I can find a nice brush."

Jack Bussert—"I'm going to stand under the mistletoe all evening."

Jane Davis—"Ask Tom, he should know."

Bill Baranowski—"I'm sitting with a baby." (Aren't you a little old for a baby-sitter Margaret???)

Mr. Crowe—"I'm going to referee a basketball game at Toledo."

Harold La Place—"I'm going to Chicago and hit all the night spots."

Dolly Jean Smith—"I don't know for sure but I'll probably spend a quiet evening taking care of children."

"Hank" Hukill — "I'm going to sleep at eight o'clock."

Shirley Gorsuch—"We will probably go to a party or a late show." (I wonder who the "we" is?)

Sharon Chambers—"I'd like to go to a dance."

Want to Enjoy Yourself and Earn Some Quick Money?

Do you like to take pictures or is your hobby photography? If so you can enter one or as many pictures as you like that you yourself have taken in a National Photography Contest which is being sponsored by Scholastic Magazines and Ansco.

Your picture may bring to you a gold Achievement Key and a certificate of Merit and even cash awards of \$25, \$15, \$10 for the first three places in each classification. These cash prizes will automatically be doubled if the winning photo was taken on Ansco film. If you are really interested in entering this contest you should see Miss Burns at once and make arrangements for classifying and entering the photograph and for more information about the contest. The deadline for all entries is March 15, 1949 but the sooner your photo is in the better.

In addition if you are interested in a career in photography several scholarships are offered to some of the nations leading photographic schools. Miss Burns will also give you more information about these upon request.

MY FIRST EXPERIENCE WITH TERM PAPERS

"A three thousand word theme to be handed in at the end of three weeks." This announcement, made by our own dearly beloved Mr. A. T. Krider, was enough to almost completely knock the props from under even the most industrious English VII student—not to mention what it did to the other kind, of which I am one.

The first week was a breeze—I didn't do a solitary thing. We were permitted to skip class that hour to obtain aid from the libraries. This time came in most handily for the studying of the numerous other subjects that I had neglected to do because of other interesting ways I found amusing himself.

The second week was spent quite industriously in the pursuit of my subject. I really pursued it, but the subject was so disgustingly evasive that I never did get close enough to hang on.

Ah, but the third week, I really began to bring books home—however, then I had nothing to study in school. So, I'd bring them to school—then I couldn't keep my mind on the subject. In desperation, I'd bring them back home again, but never found time to study.

I'd stay home fourth hour to study, but never finished dinner early enough, so, (what's two hours more or less). I stayed the rest of the day. The stacks of material would become so depressing that I would decide my mind needed to relax and it usually continued in this state of relaxation for many hours.

I decided to dash it all off on the night before handing it in. Then I began to discover just how many words it takes to write a three thousand word theme. It takes quite a few. I began getting desperate. I had terrible visions of a tall, slender; gray-attired, blue-eyed monster with a loud plaid neck-tie, marking F, F, F, F, F, F, after my name and laughing horribly as he did it because he knew, as did I, that I'd flunk out in college and then he could say, "I told you so."

Does anybody know where I can buy a term paper?

—NORMA RUSH.

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IS IT TRUE WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT M.D.'s?

You know, I've always wondered just how one goes about getting a doctor's excuse from gym. Since I believe some of you have wondered too, I decided to do some research on this subject and report my findings to you. I have interviewed a great many students who have M.D.'s and I found there are five different ways to secure this cherished medical excuse.

The most used method here at Adams, is to have a friend or relative who very conveniently happens to be a doctor. After a little (or quite a bit of) "friendly" persuasion your doctor friend will almost have to write you an excuse, if only out of self-defense.

Another well-known method is to "buy" an excuse from one of the less reputable medicine men here in South Bend. Prices start at \$10 which is cheap at twice the price. Of course, the ten buck exemption only gets you out of Phizz Ed for six weeks. For a slightly higher amount, they'll make up a hum-dinger of an ailment and get you out for at least two semesters. For a complete list of these doctors (?) see me anytime, and for only a small sum, I will gladly supply it to you.

Oh, of course, some ingenious students manufacture their own illnesses. One way to do this is to eat something that makes you break out and then rush to a skin specialist. If he were a regular doc, the first thing he would say is: "It was jest sumpin' ya et," but being a specialist he naturally thinks it's something drastic and will very willingly excuse you from gym. Another way to use this method is to soak your foot in hot water for an hour. While they're soaking you call up a conveniently located doctor. While he's rushing over, you skillfully paint the foot and ankle with black and blue colors. What with the hot water and paint, your foot and ankle will look very convincingly swollen and painful. When the doctor finally arrives the conversation will go something like this:

"Gosh, doc, I'm glad you're here, I fell out of the basement window and I think I sprained my ankle."

"Hmm. Does it hurt when I hit it here?"

"Wow! Now I think it really is sprained!"

"What?"

"I mean, yeah, doc, it does hurt when you do that!"

"Well, I'm afraid it is a bad sprain, you'll have to stop taking gym for a while."

"Oh, no doc anything but that!"

The fourth method is one not too many use. In fact, I don't actually know of any culprit, but there are rumors that some even go so far as to print their excuses and then sit up all night with the medical almanac, looking for long Latin names to use in writing the exemption.

The fifth way for an excuse is to actually have something wrong with you. This method is used only slightly here at Adams and I would strongly advise against anyone's utilizing it . . . Surely there must be an easier way!

You may have guessed that after all these discoveries, now I too have an M.D. from gym.



New Song In A Strange Land

Esther Warner tells us of the enchanting experiences that she and her husband had on a rubber plantation in Liberia; he, as a research scientist, and she, as wood carver and clay modeler. Huggins, Alice M.

The Red Chair Waits

Shu-lan, a beautiful Chinese girl, ingeniously escapes marrying the man whom her parents had promised her to, and wins the man of her own choice.

Kane, Harnett T.

Bride of Fortune

This is the dramatic life story of Varina Howell who became the wife of Jefferson Davis and proved herself a woman of true nobility by the manner in which she worked through the crisis of the Civil War.

Berlin, Ellin

Lace Curtain

Veronica Reardon of a wealthy Irish-Catholic family, is deeply in love with Jame Stair, a Protestant and marries him despite the objections of both their families.

Benedict, Ruth and Weltfish, Gene

In Henry's Backyard

This is a book of animated cartoons based on the theme of racial understanding. The drawings are adapted from scenes of the movie "The Brotherhood of Man."

Be a Cheerful Giver!

Be a cheerful giver! There was never a more opportune time to discuss this, as Christmas is a time of unlimited giving.

Many people do not realize that it is the way in which you give things, not what you give, that makes the receiver appreciate the gift to the fullest extent.

Think back to last Christmas. Did you receive a gift from someone who seemed to get no joy what-so-ever in giving; or from someone who gave it to you just because you gave to them. No matter what the material value of the gift was, you were unable to enjoy it because of the way it was given. On the other hand I'm sure we are all guilty of giving because we thought we had to, not for the enjoyment. If you have experienced the latter of these examples try not to renew it this Christmas Season.

You are cheerful when you go Christmas caroling; you are cheerful when you are attending holiday parties and dances; you are cheerful when you are singing in the Christmas Choir. In all of these you are experiencing the true Christmas spirit.

If you realize this true Christmas spirit and follow it through all your Christmas doings, you will be a cheerful giver.

DONNA MILLER.

THREE EASY WAYS TO GET YOUR GYM GRADE LOWERED

A far as gym class is concerned, one bleak Monday morning is just like another, everyone drags her body in, only to drag it out again. There has been talk of a petition for having gym classes only on Wednesdays, thereby having two days to recover from the week-end and two to recover from the gym class in preparation for the week-end, but of course this is just wishful thinking.

This particular Monday morning is even bleaker than usual and we find ourselves three seconds late getting onto the floor and we therefore honor Mr. Rothermel with our presence. This naturally takes half the period.

(1) As we enter the door "She" (our teacher) discovers our neglect to bring a clean shirt so our grade is lowered. I didn't know it could get any lower.

(2) We get ready for a game popular known as volley ball which consists of knocking each other on the head to wake us up. About this time "teacher" notices that we are barefooted and docks our grades again. While she's at it she takes my lollypop.

To end the class we have a snappy game of "Tug-of-War." In the midst of flying arms and legs the bell rings, and I find myself on the bottom of those scurrying to get upstairs.

(3) "Teacher" finds me flattened to the floor and again docks my grade (what grade?) for being late to get upstairs. Oh, well, what's the use, we'll be seniors pretty soon, and won't we have fun!

DID YOU KNOW THAT?

With average eyes, one can see about 7,000 stars at night without the aid of a telescope?

Driver ants are the most deadly thing in the African Jungle?

Joan of Arc was burned at the stake on May 30, 1431?

Smith Center, Kansas is the geographic center of the United States?

The greatest soprano was a man?

Twenty people froze to death on the equator in 1908, beneath a blazing African sun?

The Chinaman who invented the compass had a swivel wrist?

United States Presidents elected every 20 years since 1840 have died in office?

All the people on earth could be placed in one-half mile cube?

PREDICTIONS

NAME	Adams	Mishawaka
Dick Booth	38	36
Teresa Ferraro	38	28
Robert Bedore	39	28
Mirian Jones	30	46
Roger Bennett	37	48
Norma Greer	43	32
Bob Mitchell	31	45
Margaret Boldon	39	35
"Itchy" Bartell	38	47
Jo Ellen Morris	32	48

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I.H.S.A.A. RULES

The high school playing season begins November 1 and closes on the date of the final day of the I. H. S. A. A. sectional tournaments, which is February 26, 1949 this year. All students who desire to be eligible for any sports under I. H. S. A. A. rules must confine their independent playing to the period beginning November 1 and ending on the final day of the I. H. S. A. A. sectional basketball tournaments.

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A PEEK IN SANTA'S SHOP TELLS WHAT HE'LL BRING

I was appointed the representative of the Tower to find out the gifts our students were to receive for Christmas this year. I figured that the best way to do this was to visit Santa's workshop and look over the projects of the little elves there. The following are just a few of the appropriate gifts I saw.

There was an economy sized box of courage for our poor Miss Johnston, who is fated to spend a space of time with our own Mr. Krider—a fate which no one should be doomed to at such a tender age. A check was being made for Laurette to continue her study of dancing lessons because Mr. Claus felt she did so well in "Jinx." A team of perfect volleyball players was being wrapped up for Carolyn Soelch so she will no longer have to bother her pretty little lungs. A big red bow was just being tied around a big Buick for Bill Cox because he does want so badly to keep up with Gibson, while a pair of wings were being constructed for Gibson himself so he won't have to bother with such trifles when he finally makes the last wrong turn.

A pair of gold-plated scissors were on the assembly line for Adeline Nihlen as a hint to her beautiful locks. A big red bow was being placed around Ted High's neck in preparation for the place of honor under Pat Shaw's Christmas tree this year.

Of course there were others such as an audition for Harold Heeter to sing commercials for Bow-Wow dog food and heel plate for Mr. Crowe so we can hear him coming, but I promised Santa that I wouldn't give away too many of his secrets so I shall have to sign off.

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Mystery Miss Winner



After many complications and delays, the identity of the "Mystery Miss" has been revealed. Pictured at the left is the "Mystery Miss," Jean Louise Ingram ("three guesses times six will give you her name") and Carolyn Anderson, the senior, her identifier.

THIS YEAR'S FASHION Notes for Men

New York.—The High School man should now have in his wardrobe at least one each of the following: cloth-of-gold sport shirts with three-quarter length sleeves; brocaded silk pajamas; Picasso pink sweaters with plunging necklines, and polka-dotted suspenders.

So say fashion designers in New York, who decided this fall it was time for a change in men's bib'n tuckery.

The sudden turn to color, oddly enough, to bring out the "beast" and the "best" in man; simultaneously. A rugged tan glows threateningly under the challenge of pink. Muscles look twice as powerful set off by a masculine polka dot, king size.

Last spring, when designers first brought out their wardrobe changes, they feared male resistance, so they flattered the gentlemanly ego by hinting it was the "bold look."

Consumers fell for it. They literally snarled to themselves as they flipped cash across the counter for suits with extra-wide lapels, pastel shirts with command (wide-spreading) collars, and husky-hemmed hankies.

Later the men were surprised to find the change in their clothes closets was not so much daring as it was quietly masculine.

Now, the "bold look" is scheduled to continue. Dozens of new gimmicks have been added—including two much-promoted colors for suits, hats, and shoes. They are walnut brown and navion, which is a combination of navy and aviation blue.

Suits for winter have lapels that

CHRISTMAS VACATION

There was a basket-ball game last night with Central Catholic and our team was fighting to win—fighting with a new and different spirit, because, after all, it is Christmas-time and who wants to lose with so much happiness in store.

And think of our teachers—how they're going to miss us, poor souls. No one to annoy them or amuse them or keep them up nights grading papers. But then I think they'll get along without us. Some of them will go back to their home towns and some will have to plan a Christmas for their youngsters and some will just catch up on their sleep. Alas—poor Mr. Krider! He has 100 and some term papers to grade. "Merry Christmas" Mr. Krider.

"There's no rest for the wicked," I've heard and so it goes with the janitors. They'll have to work almost as usual to get our foot-worn school back into shape for the second semester. They'll clean and dust and polish and wash so we will have a nice school to return to January 6, 1949.

So will run our beloved Christmas vacation and when its days are over, please dear Lord, let us be able to come back.

—Rosemary Kelly.

spread an inch wider on either side of the manly chest, each lapel sporting a one-inch welt seam at the edge. Suits are cut easier, with more fullness through the chest. Not only suspenders, but ties and garters have taken on polka-dots. Not the feminine type dots. Fashion authorities call them "dubloon dots," because they're a full inch in diameter, and they're patterned against bold, solid color backgrounds.

New shoes are heftier, with black soles and uppers in a new shade called midnight murec (that's a deep reddish-brown). With the black and murec duo, the young man can wear black, brown or grey.

Socks to go with these shoes are extremely wide-ribbed, with large flashy diamonds or check figures "as bold as a gambler's vest." Hats pick up the color of the general ensemble by matching the band around the crown, and the band around the brim, to the color of the suit. The hats, incidentally, are designed to look like homburgs—except that the brim snaps down neatly in front.

FLASH! from Ohio, basketball players are getting permanent waves to keep their hair from falling down over their faces.

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Bob Grimshaw	33	30
Dora Ann Bowman	45	37
Dick Vance	43	36
Phyllis Loutzenhiser	45	40
Morry McFarland	28	42
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AS I SEE IT

By

JOHN HORVATH

"We Won't Boo How 'Bout You"; "Win Or Lose, Skip the Boos." These are a few of the many mottos that designate the right side of sportsmanship cheering. Reports have shown various slip-ups of the rule in recent games. Learn to respect the referees decision. He is there to give his opinion on the play and maybe he cannot see all the misplays that some of the "eagle eye spectator referees" claim to see. Try hard to be good little students when a play is called and try to control all emotions, hard as it may seem.

Mark down loss number four as of the Laporte game. The Laporte five was hotter than Norm Burke in his own back yard as they hit for basket after basket to mount up a 51 score. It seemed as if everything they threw at the basket would by some strange coincidence go through the hoop. On the other hand the Adams quintet could only compile 34 points hardly coming close to match that of the Slicers. The game belonged to the Laporte team the entire route although Adams managed to lead 3-2 early in the first quarter. This lead was very short lived and the Slicers went on to triumph by a 51-34 score. This was the second conference loss for the Eagles against no wins.

Mel Edgerton came through in the right moments of the Riley game to up the Adams score. When loss was in the air Mel decided to go to work as he pushed in those famous one handers from the free throw circle to put the Eagles up and into the victorious column. This was Adams second win of the season but this, as the Lew Wallace game, was only a non-conference tilt.

I have still received only a few requests for intramural basketball. The program is up to the students so if you want it someone will have to take leadership and get some action on the picture. Monday night as in the past years is still vacant on the school calendar.

I was extremely surprised to find that I am not only one who suffers the reading of this column. I have received a few comments, during

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"The state high school basketball tournament has become an institution which is accepted as an institution and a tradition.

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"Now, finally, to those of us who occupy the spectator's seat. We, too, play the game. We are the force—the power—which environmentally, is responsible for the conduct of the players on the floor. May we maintain the same high standards of sportsmanship and fair play that we expect to see our team exhibit. While hoping and 'pulling' for the success of our favorites, let us not be blind to similar desires and merits on the part of our opponents.

"Our officials are human beings and, as such, are affected by the same limitations as we. They go on the floor to 'call them as they see them' and according to their best judgment. Mistakes will be made, undoubtedly, but not wilfully. May our sense of 'fair play' permit us to enjoy 'good play' wherever we see it and no matter who performs it."

the past week and I enjoyed them very much. I thank you and I am glad that I can please someone besides myself. I am open for comments and criticisms so any that anyone has to offer will be greatly appreciated.

During the coming vacation the Eagles will encounter two games. The first will be against East Chicago Roosevelt while the other is against the powerful Mishawaka five. The dates are January 4 and 7 respectively. Remember this is in the new year of 1949. Maybe the coming of the new year will bring forth an unbeatable Adams five. An upset over the Mishawaka team could be one of the greatest feats a team could encounter in one season. If the Eagles could accomplish this feat they would long be remembered in the record books. The Maroons are paced by three players who all tower above six feet tall; these are John Benjamin, Neal Tracy, and Dick Freeman. With all this height the Eagles will have to possess a great deal of scoring power to pull an upset of this sort.

SURVEY SHOWS
BASKETBALL IS
POPULAR SPORT

Football (eleven and six) is second only to basketball as the nation's most popular interscholastic sport. Over half of the high schools now have varsity football (eleven-man, 44 per cent; six-man, 9 per cent). Other sports are played in less than half the high schools (49 per cent) have track; 47 per cent play baseball; 16 per cent softball; 16 per cent tennis; 8 per cent golf; and 4 per cent have swimming teams.

This survey indicates that many high schools lack a well-balanced, year-round interscholastic athletic program. Basketball has proven its popularity by approaching the 100 per cent mark, but its strongest supporters would be first to admit that basketball alone does not constitute a desirable year-round athletic program. Six-man football has been successfully played in high schools with as few as 15 or 20 boys and in many schools with limited budgets.

ALL WILL NOT

REST; CAGERS

MUST BE READY

While the rest of us are going enjoying the dances, sweets, stomach aches, and hangovers of the holidays, the John Adams basketballers will be busily preparing themselves for the first two games of the new year. The first game, a non-conference battle with East Chicago Roosevelt will be played on the Adams hardwood two days before we come back to school, January 6. Last year, we split even in two tilts with the Rough Riders, losing to them in the Holiday Tournament and beating them later in the season.

The second game, a conference tilt will be played on the Mishawaka floor the day after we come back to school. Last year the Maroons took the Eagles into camp both times they played. This year we play them in only one regularly scheduled games, Central Catholic replacing the other one. The Maroons paced by John Benjamin, Dick Freeman, and Neal Tracy are having one of their most successful seasons. They have won four of five games at this writing. Benjamin 6 ft. 6 in.; Freeman 6 ft. 5 in.; and Tracy 6 ft. 4 in. are the biggest one any team around here and probably one of the largest in the state. These big boys will pose a difficult problem for the Eagles as the Red and Blue have only Don and Dick Truex at 6 ft. 2 in. to counter with in the rebound department.

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"B" TEAM CHALKS UP FIVE WINS TO ONE LOSS

December 7, 1948: Hats off to the Riley Wildcats for tripping up our powerful undefeated "B" team. While we were all filling buckets with grief over this loss, we recovered with great joy as the Adams varsity closed the lid over Riley varsity. Heartiest congratulations, varsity, from the "B" team for making up our loss. In an exceedingly low scoring game, the Wildcats "B" squad proved to be a peppy well-balanced ball club. Adams made several encouraging comebacks but in the end all proved to be in vain. We're sure the "B" squad wasn't playing up to par and are confident they will resume their winning streak in their forthcoming Laporte game. Jack Troeger and Bob Pfaff got out their six-shooters and shot it out to tie each other in points, both having 5 points. Let's hope they shoot a little straighter in the future. Gene Smith took second place honors with 4 points. The funeral ended with a swan song of 21-16.

ADAMS				RILEY			
	B.	FP.	F.		B.	FP.	F.
Dillion	0	0	1	Simpson	1	1	1
Rowe	0	0	0	Whippo	0	0	1
Troeger	2	1	0	Knoop	1	0	0
Smith	1	2	0	Lambert	0	0	0
Oakes	0	1	2	Bytner	0	0	0
Helmer	0	0	0	Feldman	0	0	0
Weissert	0	1	0	Riddle	0	0	0
Solinger	0	0	3	Wessner	0	0	0
Pfaff	2	1	1	Poynter	2	0	2
Whitmer	0	0	1	Hartman	1	0	1
				Altie	5	0	2

December 10, 1948: In a fast moving, exciting game in which the Adams Eagles were behind until the final period, they rallied in the fourth quarter to slap a 25-20 defeat in Laporte's face. This marks the fifth win for the encouraging "B" squad. Let's hope they make it a sixth next game. In the final period of the ball game Adams put on the pressure and left no doubt as to which was the best team. The game was close and thrilling throughout as Jack Troeger and Marty Weissert each rolled 7 points through the delicate net and Don Oakes pitted five.

ADAMS				LAPORTE			
	B.	FP.	F.		B.	FP.	F.
Drillion	0	0	0	Boyd	1	0	5
Rowe	0	0	0	Deardurff	1	0	1
Reinke	0	0	0	Reiter	1	1	1
Troeger	3	1	2	Jones	4	0	3
Smith	0	0	0	Mullarkey	1	0	1
Oakes	2	1	0	Landis	1	0	2
Helmer	0	2	2	Fara	0	1	2
Weissert	2	3	1				
Solinger	0	0	0				
Pfaff	2	0	5				
Whitmer	0	0	0				

December 10, 1948: In an extremely slow, unexciting game, the "C" squad of Adams lost to the Washington Panthers by a score of 19-14. When I say slow, I mean slow, for the score was not more than 4-3 at the half. We wish there could be a few wins around the corner.

CAPACITY CROWD WATCH BEARS NIP EAGLES

Central's highly regarded Bears, regional champs last year, staved off a last minute Adams rally to trip the Eagles 33-30 (Note—Dave Gallup did not venture a prediction on this game. Every time he picks the other team, Adams wins.) A second quarter lapse by the east-siders gave Central its chance to open up their victory margin. Adams led at the end of the first period 8-6 on field goals by Joe Howell, Don Truex (2) and Mel Edgerton. A lone free throw made up the Eagle's scoring in the second period—one which saw Central assume command 16-9. The Bears increased this to 21-9 early in the third stanza but Don Truex's lay-in, Marlin Miller's charity toss, Dick Truex' basket and foul shot, and two more free throws by Don, closed the gap to 21-17. At the start of the last period Dick Bennett hit a twin pointer from the free throw line, but again Central widened the gap on scores by Shine, Toth, and Daube. Bennett, Bill Cox, and Carl Parker helped move the Eagle score to 27, but Central's increased to 33. Henry Hukill entered the game with 43 seconds left and arched in a one hander and followed with a charity shot to make the final score 33-30. The "two-bits, four-bits yell" was heard frequently from both sections and the game was played before a near capacity audience.

BOB GROSS.

EAGLES SLICED BY LAPORTE TEAM

The John Adams Eagles were handed the fourth defeat Friday night by Coach Hubner's Laporte Slicers. This defeat was also Adams' second conference tilt. Although this was a bitter pill for the Eagles to swallow, they still haven't lost "the old fight" for Central which is the next conference tilt.

The Slicers sparked by Bob Barker stacked up a 17-8 lead at the end of the first quarter. The tide never turned for the Eagles as the Laporte Slicers had them at the half way mark with a score 28-14. At the three-quarter mark the Slicers lead the Eagles with a score of 40-26. The Eagles managed to push 4 points through the hoop to cut the visitor's margin down to 12 points as the gun sounded for the end of the game the score was 51-34. Miller, a substitution as high point man for Adams with 8 points.

JOHN ADAMS—34				LAPORTE—51			
	B.	FP.	F.		B.	FP.	F.
R. Truex, f.	1	1	1	Mathis, f.	6	1	0
D. Truex, f.	2	1	2	Barker, f.	5	6	3
Nevins, c.	0	0	0	B'mgdner, c.	4	2	2
Howell, g.	1	2	2	Terry, g.	0	0	2
Edgerton, g.	3	0	2	Krentz, g.	2	1	5
Miller, f.	3	2	2	Birtch, f.	0	0	0
Hukill, g.	0	0	2	Blake, f.	2	3	2
Bennett, f.	2	2	3	Szmula, g.	0	0	1
Parker, g.	1	0	0	Winkler, g.	0	0	3
				Miller, f.	0	0	1
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