

ROUGH ROAD FOR TOURNEY CHAMP

By John Heisler

Whoever wins the 1972 Holiday Tourney will certainly have to do it the hard way. With the pairings set up to avoid early collisions between the top teams, most of the fireworks will occur on Friday, December 29.

Adams, Riley, LaSalle and St. Joe were seeded as the top four squads, with Jackson, North Liberty, Clay, and Washington to face them respectively. At this point only Washington of the unseeded teams appears to have much of a chance of reaching the semi-finals.

Here are the pairings plus capsule outlooks for the eight competing teams:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

12:30-Adams vs. Jackson
1:45-Riley vs. North Liberty
7:00-LaSalle vs. Clay
8:15-St. Joe vs. Washington

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

12:30-Wednesday afternoon winners
1:45-Wednesday night winners
7:00-B-team finals
8:15-Varsity finals

ADAMS (4-1) -- Boosted by last week's exciting win over LaSalle, the Eagles may be ready to live up to their preseason ranking. The Eagles boast the city's hottest prospect for All-State honors in Jim Webb, along with proven performers Boonie Hill and Steve Austin. Soph Val Martin and Junior Daryl Ashby also appear in Coach Dave Hadaway's starting lineup.

JACKSON (2-3) -- Already

boasting victories over city foes Mishawaka and Washington, the Tigers' record can be misleading (two of the losses were to undefeated powers Riley and Plymouth). Football QB Terry Bartell and John Manchow hold down the guard spots for Coach Joe Kreitzman, while Dave Daniels, Dean Payne, and Dave Moreland head the front-line. Payne has scored 20 or more points in three of his team's games already.

RILEY (6-0) -- The top-rated Wildcats can easily match up with any team around. High-scoring guards T.D. Shelton and George Smith have led the 'Cats, while Turk Chambliss, Steve Sanders, and Ricky King head the rebounding brigade. It will take a top effort to keep Riley from taking all the marbles.

NORTH LIBERTY (1-5) -- The Shamrocks won only two games last year and won't do much better this time around. Dean Kaser leads the team in scoring with support from Chris Gensinger, Mike Davis, Mike Walls, and Rocky Reeder. To say the least, it will take a miracle for the Shamrocks to lick Riley.

LA SALLE (3-2) -- Helped by the return of Otha Burns and Jim Nowicki, the Lions should prove to be the class of the lower bracket. Senior Robert Warren leads George Leonakis' squad along with Dave Herron, Charles Nailon, Gary Moore, and Glenn Mitchell. LaSalle's two losses have both been by just one point to Adams and Plymouth.

CLAY (1-5) -- Once again fighting a losing season, Coach Jim Waller's Colonials still have their problems. Mike Meyer,

Dave Barncord, Tim Sullivan, John Davis, and Jeff Snyder have seen most of the playing time for the Colonials. Clay's only victory came over North Liberty.

ST. JOE (2-3) -- Somewhat of a disappointment thus far, the Indians may have their hands full against Washington. Even miracle-worker Bob Donewald has not been able to find the answer. Veteran Dave Kuzmicz has been the leading point-getter for the Tribe with Perry Coalmon, Brian Bella, Jim Gadacz, Mike Ladewski, and Rick Entzian also helping out.

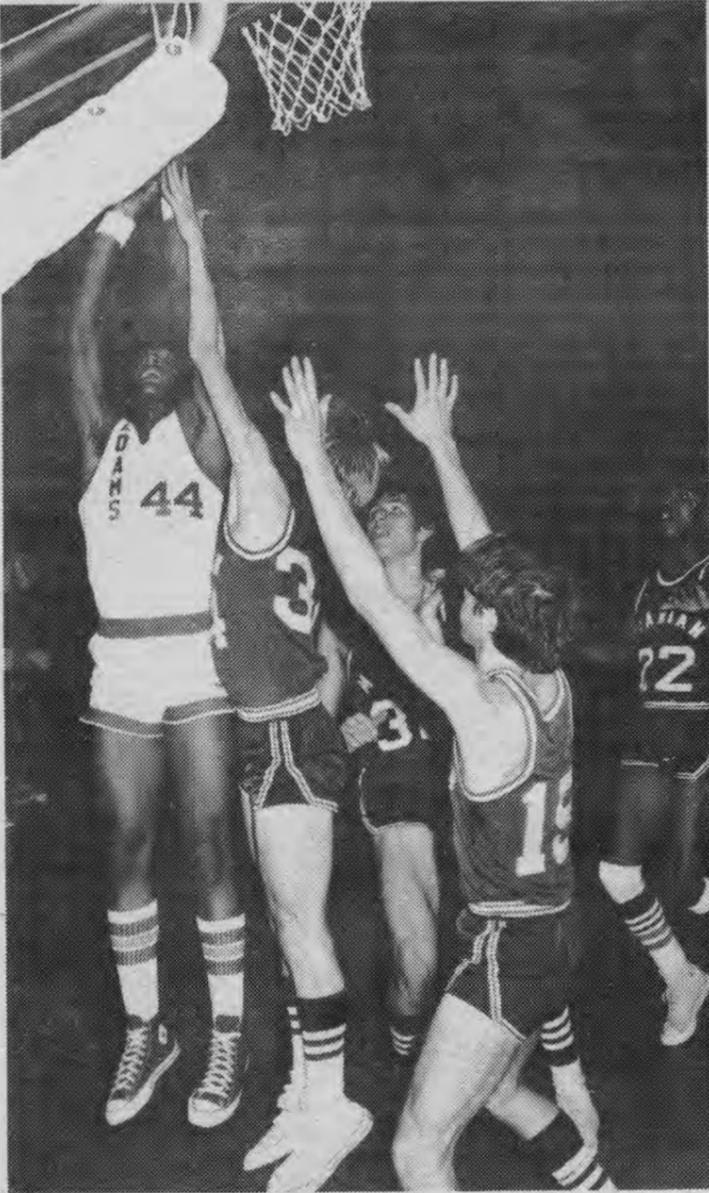
WASHINGTON (2-4) -- Despite their losing record, the Panthers have already upset one highly-touted team in Hammond Clark. Cliff Harris, Dave Wood, Al Brooks, Dan Soos, and Armond Thompson will lead the Panthers against St. Joe for Coach Subby Nowicki.

Predictions are a risky business in any sport, but we'll give it a try anyway.

At this point, there is no way to keep from making Riley the favorite. The Wildcats have impressed everyone thus far especially with victories over topnotch outside competition in Indianapolis Attucks and Fort Wayne Northside. Adams and LaSalle must also be considered formidable threats, but it will take a super effort to knock off the Wildcats.

OUR CHOICES:

ADAMS OVER JACKSON
RILEY OVER NORTH LIBERTY
LASALLE OVER CLAY
ST. JOE OVER WASHINGTON
RILEY OVER ADAMS
LASALLE OVER ST. JOE
RILEY OVER LASALLE



All-State basketball star, Jim Webb, hopes to lead Adams to victory in the City Holiday Tournament.



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S.G. Plans Finalized

Since the beginning of school the student government steering committee, consisting of Jane McCollum, Linda Risinger, Meg Gollightly, Joe Bosco, John Goodson, Colette Rohan, Linda Megan, Bill Wyllie, Darlene Turner, Aaron Watson, and Greg Watson.

The week of January 8 fliers will be distributed which will thoroughly explain the functions of each body of the government. The following week primaries will be held. Students who wish to run will submit their names to their homeroom teachers after they have read the fliers. The only qualification will be that the students elected will have to attend meetings after school. Final elections will be the week of January 22.

Plan an Exciting Summer Abroad

Planning your summer? Why not consider spending two months abroad? Through Youth For Understanding Foreign Teenage Exchange program, The Lilly Foundation offers scholarships on an as needed basis to students to spend the summer in any of twenty-three foreign countries. These countries include Argentina, Brazil, Belgium, Chile, Columbia, Denmark, Ecuador, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Japan, Liberia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Sweden, Switzerland, Uruguay, and Yugoslavia.

The basic purpose of the Youth for Understanding Program is to provide an opportunity for American high school students to live

with a family overseas for approximately two months and to develop a better understanding and appreciation of the peoples of other lands.

This program is for students who have completed their junior year in high school. A limited number of spaces are available for sophomores and seniors. The qualifications include having a good scholastic record, active participation in school, church, and community affairs, a good health record, and a willingness to accept responsibility. Students do not necessarily need to know the language of the country.

The cost for the summer is

\$900, which includes a \$50 registration fee, transportation from Detroit to the students destination, and health insurance.

Mrs. Bond is the Adams YFU faculty advisor and Mr. Rensberger is the Counselor. Students may get applications from Mrs. Bond second hour in the Business Education Office or from Mr. Rensberger in the Guidance office.

Mrs. Bond would like completed applications put in her box in the office or returned to Mr. Rensberger by January 5. She will mail all the applications together so they will receive prompt attention and students will have a better chance of getting their first

choice of country. Scholarship applications and additional information are also available from Mrs. Bond and Mr. Rensberger.

Mrs. Bond and Mr. Rensberger also have applications for the Thirteenth Year Study Abroad Program. The qualifications for this program include a proficiency in a foreign language and an excellent scholastic record. The cost of this program is \$1300. Students accepted for this program will live in a country for fourteen months, and attend an accredited school there.

Mrs. Bond also said that host families are needed for foreign students coming to this country. Interested families should contact her as soon as possible.



Peace On Earth ...

...Good will towards men and in South Eastern Asia a battle still rages. Another bomb drops on a "silent night, holy night."

Deck your halls with "real live" glow-in-the-dark holly and hang your aphrodisiac-scented mistletoe. This is Christmas! Somehow the "Joys of Christmas" have been lost in an isolated season of "soak the customer."

Fight neighbors for parking spaces! Run the Salvation army Santa Claus over while hastening to a sale. Scream at the sales clerks as they try to wait on ten customers at one time. And, of course, demean the mailman for failing to get Christmas mail delivered on time! This is the SPIRIT of Christmas.

Perhaps this "spirit" is a reflection of the frustration of our lives. Are we so infected with what we "have to do" that we never see what we HAVE. It appears that the angel stated "Peace on earth, good will towards men..." Shouldn't we have taken our cue from there? The activity of the Christmas season seems to antagonize ourselves against all men. (Good will?)

War is not peace. A downtown shopping area is not peace. Neither is a Christmas card peace. Stop and think what each person means individually. We should remember WHO makes us happy, not WHAT makes us happy. More important still is to remember those people that can never have a "happy holiday" because of a loss of someone close to them, either through sickness or death. Perhaps Christmas us a time to think and remember and appreciate what is ours. "Peace on earth" is not so far away if every person created their own microcosm of individual appreciation.

Merry Christmas
from the Tower Staff

The Case for UFO'S

by Tom Vance

For the past 25 years UFO's (Unidentified Flying Objects) have been a subject of intense controversy between those who believe they are interplanetary and the government who denies their existence.

It is agreed upon by both sides that the majority of UFO reports can be identified as known objects. It should be noted, however, that 30% of all sightings have no human explanation and that only 3% are hoaxes. When the term "UFO" is used, it refers to the 30% which are unknown.

The U.S. Government has lied to the American people ever since 1947. While they publicly debunk UFOs they treat the problem seriously at top levels. When An Air Force study revealed that UFOs were interplanetary in 1947, U.S. jets were ordered to shoot them down. Again in 1948, a "TOP SECRET" estimate stating the same conclusion was sent to the Pentagon. After a third study came up with the same result in 1952, the Pentagon made its own analysis



of the problem. Top scientists at the Defense Department under the direction of the Central Intelligence Agency said, "there is strong circumstantial evidence, but no concrete proof that UFOs are spaceships."

Unknown UFO reports have always been stamped "top secret" or "classified" by the Air Force. The few accounts they let the press print are all explainable therefore they are no longer UFO's. Because of news coverage of this kind, the public has been led to believe that all UFO reports are fakes.

The government goes to extremes to censor people who have seen UFO's and to keep the public uninformed. In 1958 the government ordered CBS to cut someone off the air because he was revealing certain facts about UFO's. All government and military personnel are silenced by the government including some of the astronauts who spotted UFO's during the Gemini flights.

This subject has been brought before Congress a number of times. During one Congressional investigation led by twelve leading scientist, nine of the twelve agreed that there was something to the UFO mystery.

When the Air Force publicly stopped investigation of UFO's in 1969, announcing that there was no chance UFO's were interplanetary, most people lost interest. The Air Force still continues investigating, however, and is still trying to debunk the entire subject. It would be better for the people and the government if they would just admit that the earth is being visited by aliens.

Students Speak Out

Rebuttal

In the December first issue of the Tower a written opinion by Peter Goerner was printed. For all practical purposes this statement said that because the outcome of the election differed with his personal choice for President, that it merely was a "vote of confidence" in the inability of the majority of the voting Americans to examine themselves. Realistically just the opposite is true; although Nixon won by a landslide, throughout the country, the predicted coat-tail aid (the popularity of Nixon aiding local Republicans) did not materialize. This shows a growing sophistication of the voter by "ticket-splitting." So, being objective about it, the voter did examine himself, as well as the issues.

Goerner rationalizes that, "I find it hard to realize that America could be duped by one of the greatest political machines ever." The only political machine surviving in America is the Daley machine in Chicago, and even its future is doubtful.

In making this statement, Mr. Goerner apparently does not realize that when a poor candidate is vied against an even poorer opponent, the former will usually win. This is what occurred in the latest election. An incumbent president, considered to be slightly more than adequate in foreign policy and having a lousy record in domestic issues, ran against a candidate who had little working knowledge of foreign affairs and diplomacy, and, though his overall comprehension of domestic policy was good, major portions of his much heralded economic plan were questionable at best.

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Ayn Moriarty, Editor



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Kables from the Kounselors

SENIORS:

Important dates to check are the application for admission and for financial aid deadlines at the schools in which you have an interest. Get the applications moving! Seniors who are not sure what they would like to do after graduation are asked to talk with their counselor.

The Armed Forces Vocational Application Battery will be offered at Adams January 4. Interested seniors should sign up in the Guidance Office.

ALL STUDENTS:

Many of you will be upset by your grades for the second six weeks. I suggest you visit privately with your teacher to determine what the problem is. Your counselor will be happy to discuss your questions with you too.

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All American Honor for Dwayne Young

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Recently Dwayne Young, Honor Student, Scholar, and all around good guy became the recipient of the coveted Graffiti Award. This is the first year the award has been presented at Adams, and Michele Houston, TOWER Page Editor said: "Most certainly with the overwhelming interest stirred up by the recognition of the winner, the Graffiti Award will become as established as an institution at Adams as National Honors Society, Student Council, the Thanksgiving basket drive, and Aunt Tilley's Fan Club. Mrs. Katona, the sponsor of the Tower, supported the Graffiti Award with the comment, "I think it's grate!"

Competition for the award was stiff, with ten entries submitted to the contest. Contestants in the Graffiti Contest were (in semi-backward acrostic, alphabetical order) Kevin Wright; Dwayne Young; Ruth Szymkowitz and Sue Sinkiewicz; Ms. Ann Thrope; Theresa Molnar, Ric Mitchem; Kathi Kimbriel; Dmitri Petrovitch Ragamihim; Jessie Crosson; John Doe; and Ann Archist. The final finalists were Kevin Wright, Dwayne Young, Sue & Ruth Sinkiewicz and Szymkowitz. The winner - Dwayne Young - when informed of the honor, was quoted as saying

with a gasp, "What gratification and gladsome glee to get this Graffiti grant in my grasp. Dwayne went on to tell us how he thought up his Graffiti entry, "Boycott Non-Union Life." It seems that Dwayne was sitting down or standing around when suddenly he thought of the night before when he was nearly mugged by a 12 year old clockwork orange type kid with a squirt gun. Dwayne recollected how he and his friend Harry G Wrong shouted, "Let us go!" Thinking of their plea, Dwayne immediately thought of lettuce since green is his favorite color, and upon thinking of lettuce went to the refrigerator, since he was hungry. On the way to the refrigerator, Dwayne passed the TV and thought of the Democratic Convention, since Democrats always are hungry and looking for bread. The Convention reminded Dwayne of New York's plea: Boycott Non-union Lettuce. With a stroke of scientific genius, Dwayne thought up the word Life of his own accord, forgot that he was hungry and said "Life Boycott Non-Union." Harry Wrong told Dwayne Young that he liked the slogan so Dwayne changed the Graffiti to "Boycott Non-Union Life!" The rest is history, as

Dwayne Young, Poet-Laurete of John Adams's elite all-American subversives has moved from namelessness to obscurity.

In looking over Dwayne's past achievements IT THUSLY MAY BE SEEN that Dwayne has always been truthful, good, kind, intelligent, polite, and nice. At 12 young Dwayne was a boy scout, at 13 he read the Cliff Notes of WAR AND PEACE, at 14 he became a ham operator -- something that has influenced him up to the point of this Graffiti achievement. Dwayne's current activities include Mixed and Swing Choir, Drama Club, Mu Alpha Theta, and Vocational electronics. Dwayne plans to attend Purdue University this fall to continue his stokes of scientific genius and further his attempts at being a nice guy. Mr. Przybysz, Mrs. Katona and the entire TOWER staff join in saying to Dwayne "Graffiti is Grate!"

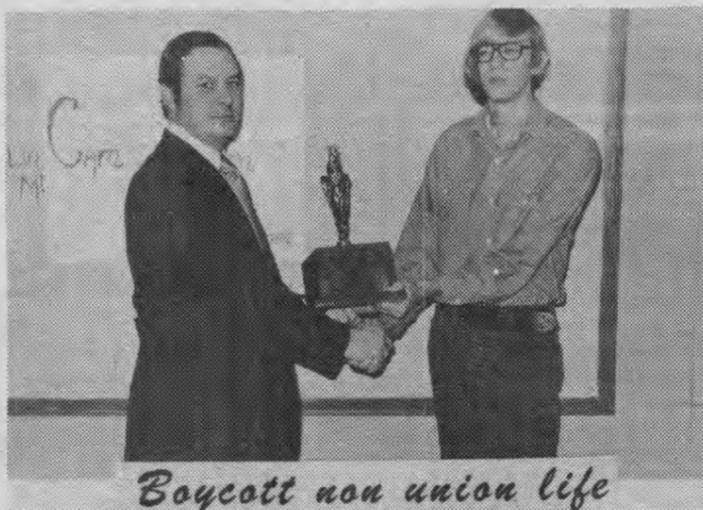
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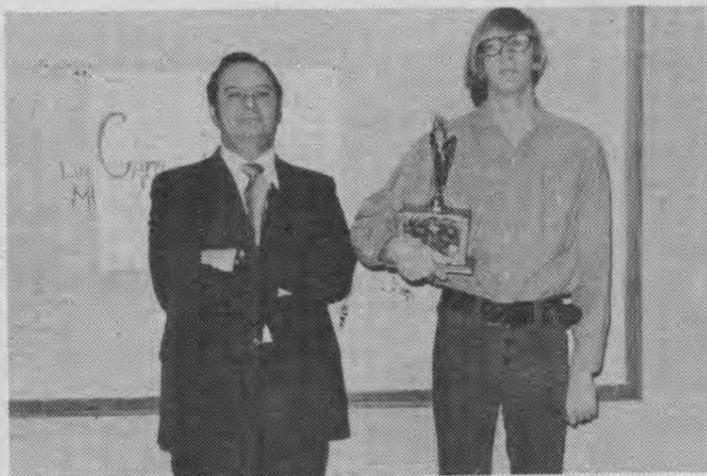
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Boycott non union life



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Eagles tip LaSalle: City next

Lions fall in 62-61 squeaker

John Heisler

Brought back to reality by a stunning upset administered at Fort Wayne Northrop, Adams turned the tables last weekend by holding off Goshen, and then knocking off city rival LaSalle.

Adams now holds a 4-1 record in this, the fourth straight year the Eagles have been 4-1 after five games.

The Eagles travel to Michigan City Elston tonight in hopes of avenging losses of the past two seasons. The Devils finally won their first game last Saturday against Munster.

Saturday, Adams will have its hands full against the Tigers of Hammond Tech. The Tech squad has already recorded several victories by margins of 40 points.

Last Saturday night, no one was happier than Coach Dave Hadaway. The loss at Fort Wayne was more than a little disturbing to Hadaway, but beating LaSalle was just the sort of comeback he had hoped to see. The 62-61 squeaker was the first time Hadaway has ever beaten LaSalle during the regular season.

The game itself was about as close as it could have been with the score being tied at the end of each of the first three periods.

Jim Webb and Robert Warren each ran the show in the first period scoring eight points apiece. Neither team ran much of an offensive pattern as the Eagles cleared out for Webb, while the Lions took turns hitting from the outside.

By halftime Webb had 20 of Adams 32 points, but the score was still knotted. The Lions switched to a zone defense midway through the third period but the Eagles kept on coming.

Boonie Hill hit four big baskets in the fourth quarter as the Eagles jumped to a 60-52 lead, but LaSalle never gave up. The Lions

cut the lead to a single point with 11 seconds remaining. Jim Webb missed a crucial free throw with seven seconds left, but LaSalle was unable to take advantage of the miscue.

The night before, Adams survived a super-slowdown in beating Goshen 39-29. The Redskins usually went two or three minutes before shooting the ball, but they still could not hold the Eagles. Adams remained cool hitting 17 of 25 shots (6 for 6 by Webb) to hold off a late charge.

At times the score seemed almost ridiculous: 6-3 at the first quarter mark, and only 20-11 after three periods. Despite the stall, Jim Webb still managed 15 points.

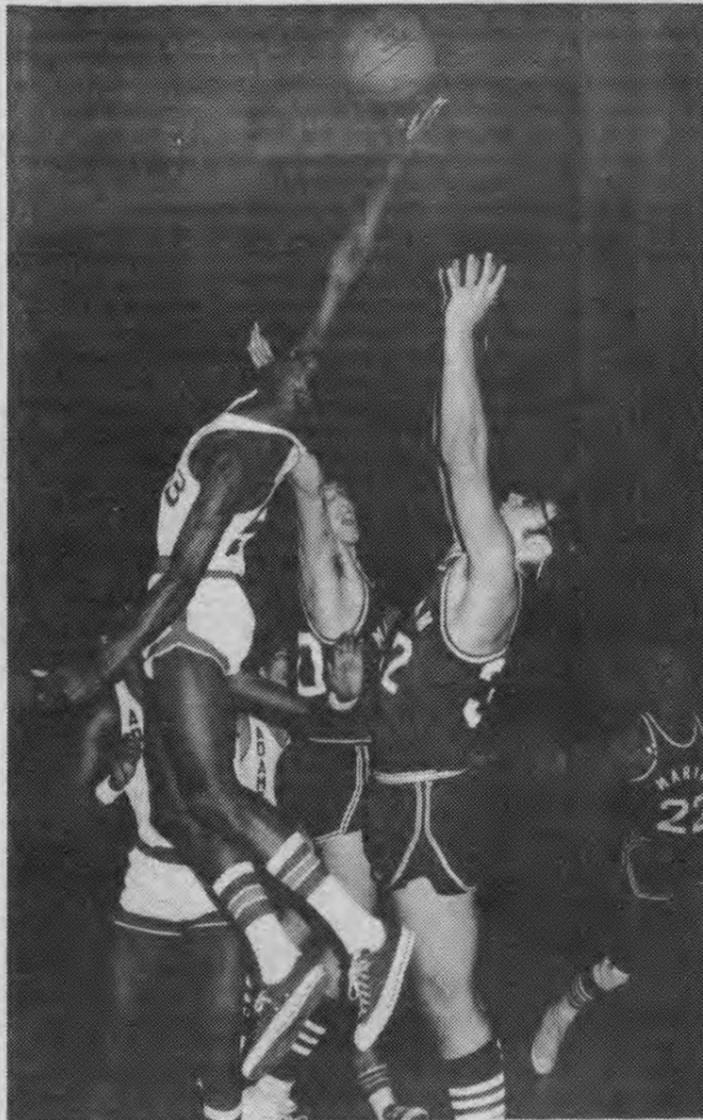
The Eagles' bubble burst quickly against Fort Wayne with Northrop ending up on the long end of the 73-60 score. Adams looked tight from the very beginning, and the Eagles never really recovered despite 25 points by Webb. Northrop's big guns, Mike Whitt and Mike Muff, combined for 42 points to lead the Bruins.

Despite 21 turnovers, Adams stayed close until late in the fourth quarter when Fort Wayne iced the upset.

Against a weak Marian five, the Eagles looked truly sensational in completely dominating the Knights, 98-47. Adams pulled out to a quick early lead, and the Knights never came close to making a comeback.

Coach Dave Hadaway gave his reserves much valuable playing time after his starters had put the contest out of reach. Jim Webb totaled 27 and Steve Austin 17, both playing only three quarters.

Dave Bock did a superb job coming off the bench for 12 points and four assists. Sophomore Glenn Sudhop also thrilled the crowd with some great moves in the final stanza.



"Marshall Robinson reaches high to pull in another rebound against Marian."

Wrestlers win opener

Scott Brennan

Coach Moe Aronson and his 1972-73 wrestling team are off and running with an impressive 2-1 record.

With two overpowering victories against Marian and Elkhart Memorial, the matmen look in fine shape as they eye their upcoming opponents in the tough NIC schedule.

In the opener, the Eagles smothered Marian 50-17 behind the pins of Andre Schruggs, Todd Windmiller, Mike Coleman, and Harry Seider.

Coleman and Seider easily defeated their opponents with times of 0:52 and 0:36, respectively. Other Adams victories were recorded by Clark Price, with a 7-5 win, and Aaron Watson, with an 8-5 decision.

Adams dropped their first loss to Portage by the score of 40-23. Eagle victories were accounted for by Andre Schruggs and Rick Mitchem. Coming up with draws were Aaron Watson and Rodney Stevenson.

Adams rebounded against Elkhart Memorial with a 45-15 rout that saw nine Eagles pick up victories.

Pins were recorded by Andre Schruggs, Todd Windmiller, Zeff Weiss, Rick Wade, Mike Coleman, and Connie Henry. Henry came up with the fastest victory of the night as he pinned his heavyweight opponent in only 37 seconds.

Swimmers set records

Mark Norman

The John Adams Swim Team, led by record-setting Dan Harrigan, have won their first three meets.

Beginning with conference for Michigan City Elsten, the Seagles swam to an easy victory. Harrigan set a new school record by swimming the 400-yard Freestyle in 3:48. With an NIC victory under their belts, the swimmers traveled to Hammond Bishop Noll. After a blazing start, the Seagles settled down to an easy win. Both Harrigan and John Fefferman set pool records in their respective races.

Steve Smith next sent his swimmers against the Penn Kingsmen the following Tuesday at Adams. The Kingsmen were never close

as Harrigan again led the Seagles to an easy victory. Dan qualified for All-American honors when he won the Individual Medley in 2:02:9.

Although standouts such as Harrigan and Fefferman have been obvious bright spots, all three victories have been due completely to the work of other no-name swimmers. Jim Severyn, Mike

Balthazor, Scott Lehr, Hoke Busch, Tom Lichtenfels, Dennis Foster, and Pete Verich have been continuing their hard work from meet to meet.

Hopefully with added fan support, Adams students can find along with 'Hadaway's Shack that's where it's at' that 'Smith's pool, that's where it's cool.'

Beagle success Continues

Top notch Indiana high school basketball highlighted last Saturday night as two South Bend powerhouses collided before a full house that saw Adams nip LaSalle 43-42.

It was a tough hard-fought victory for Coach George Griffith's Beagles who now stand at 3-1.

First half action was hot and heavy as Adams managed to keep a slim lead that sent both teams to the dressing room with the score 23-20.

Defense dominated the third quarter as Adams managed to hold onto a 31-26 lead. A fourth quarter LaSalle rally was squelched by the tight Beagle defense led by Larry Sullivan.

Glenn Sudhop and Toy Moody teamed up to score 29 points and pull down 17 rebounds as the buzzer sounded to hand the Eagles the one-point victory.

In other B-team action, Adams smothered Marian 65-29 as Sudhop scored 14 points and collected 13 rebounds.

A 21-point flurry in the fourth quarter proved to be the dominant factor as Adams dropped their first game to Fort Wayne Northrop 54-50. Toy Moody led all scorers with 25 points.

Adams' journey to Goshen brought home a 56-43 victory as Larry Sullivan and Andy Harris combined for 26 points. by Scott Brennan

Frosh debut with victor

Mike Clarke

The John Adams freshman basketball team defeated the Marian freshman squad by a score of 39-35 in a game played at Marian on December 7.

Adams' guard Kevin Shaw hit the first six points in the game, as Adams led at the end of the first quarter 14-4. The scoring was about even in the second quarter, as Adams still led 21-11.

Marian had a short scoring spree, but Adams kept pace and led by eight points at the end of

the third period. In the final quarter, Marian did not give up, but free throws by Bruce Woodford and Paul Daniels kept them at a safe distance as Adams led 39-29 with one minute left in the game. Marian poured in six points to move the score to 39-35, but the Adams defense held them short four points.

Paul Daniels was the leading scorer on the floor with 15 points and 15 rebounds.

GYMNASTICS SCHEDULE

DEC. 6	JIMTOWN	HERE
DEC. 12	HERITAGE/ELKHART	HERE
DEC. 14	CONCORD	THERE
JAN. 16	ELKHART CENTRAL	THERE
JAN. 23	DEKALB	HERE
JAN. 30	CROWN POINT	THERE
FEB. 6	ANGOLA	THERE
FEB. 13	DEKALB	THERE
FEB. 17	ANGOLA	HERE
FEB. 24	SECTIONAL	CONCORD

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

December 7	MARIAN	Away
December 14	MISHAWAKA	Here
January 4	SCHMUCKER	Away
January 11	GRISSOM	Here
January 16	ST. JOSEPH'S	Here
January 18	CENTRAL II	Away
January 23	JACKSON	Here
January 25	RILEY	Here
January 30	WASHINGTON	Away
February 1	CENTRAL I	Here
February 6	CLAY	Here

Gymnasts fall

Terry Smith

The Adams men's gymnastics team lost its first meet of the season against a tough Jimtown team, 82-60 in the new gym December 6.

The strongest event for Adams was rings in which Terry Smith took first place, Steve Richmond took second, and Mike Jaicomo came in with a strong third place. Also placing high was Marc Woodford, second in vaulting and third on trampoline; Al Dieringer, third on high bar; and Dan Knapp, third on parallel bars.

Other performers for Adams were Jamie Honold, John Lair, John Marshall, Larry Holtzman, Jim Lindzy, Tim McClure, Phil Schreiber, Mike Berndt, and Chris Dieringer. Coach Dan Poels very optimistic about the team, and he looks forward to a winning season.

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