

Swim Team to Hold Bake

The John Adams Girl's Swim Team, better known as the SEAGALS will hold a bake sale at the Scottsdale Mall on February 15, 16, and 17. Come out to the Mall and help support the SEAGALS!

Merit Finalists Named

The following students have been selected as National Merit Scholarship Finalists: John S. Cassidy, Jessica M. Crosson, Jacqueline Ganser, Peter G. Goerner, Orna M. Oppenheimer, and Nancy E. Sylbert.

These six students are being considered for Merit Scholarships. In 1974, a group of over 14,000 Finalists will compete for approximately 1,000 one-time National Merit \$1000 Scholarships and for about 2,100 renewable Merit Scholarships.

'Spirit Week' Plans Announced

The week of February 25 is designated as "Spirit Week," and again students are asked to demonstrate "Hoosier Hysteria."

Class competition will highlight spirit week. Classes will be judged on participation during the assembly, the originality of their skits, and their decorations in the gym.

Pep Assembly will be held on the day of the first game Adams plays. Judging will be held the morning of the Assembly.

Faculty and students are asked to wear school colors all week.

Red Perkies will be sold for \$1.00 and ribbons with "Eagle Spirit," "Eagle Pride" will be sold for 10c.

There will be an "Eagle Spirit" walking around the halls asking students and faculty to sign it.

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Notes from Counselors

The next American College Test, ACT will be given on Saturday April 27. The closing date for the ACT is April 1st.

MALL DESIGNATED AS "SKIP ROW"

WATSON NUMBER ONE BUFFOON

by Mark Norman [resident TOWER satirist]



Photo by Vic Tyler

In a brilliant show of apathy, the John Adams student body responded to its first big challenge of the year. Flooding the Tower office with sixteen entries, staff writers spent night after night pondering over the winning "Name the Mall Contest" entry.

In a fit of perverted passion, Aaron Watson's "Skip Row" was selected as the namesake for our orphan mall. Watson, a derelict senior, was overjoyed at winning first prize. Tears welled off his bearded face when presented the elegant stick of Wrigley gum and an honorary Doctor of Buffoonary degree. The TOWER staff congratulates Mr. Watson, and wishes the best for his soul in the hereafter.

Watson's Victory Symbolic

Hopefully, the interest generated by this contest will not spread to other activities. In the end, however, Watson's victory symbolizes perhaps the most fitting element about John Adams life: no matter how bad you are, the law of averages is bound to help you someday.

More Scholarships Available

Christopher McCraley

Mayor Miller's Aides Aid

Because of an overabundance of entries, TOWER writers feared that the current issue might be delayed. Thanks, however, to the assistance of Mayor Miller's volunteer aides, work was completed on schedule. It might be noted that with half the ballots in, the TOWER office was gutted with a severe case of arson. Several ex-aides at the present administration were caught in the act, and are presently residing at the county Morgue.

More monetary awards are being granted by colleges and technical institutes. Required for all of these is a Parent's Confidential Statement (PCS), application, and acceptance at the school or institute.

The Notre Dame Club of St. Joe Valley is giving a scholarship, the amount depending on need. Persons who plan to begin at Notre Dame this September are eligible. The deadline is March 10.

A scholarship of \$200 will be awarded by the Michiana Health Association to those who will attend college majoring in health, physical education, or recreation. Registration must be in my March 15.

A \$750 tuition will be granted by the Indiana College of Business and Technology to those with financial need. Testing for this scholarship is required. Applications should be in by March 1.

Apprenticeships are being offered to those Adam's students of 18 years of age or older.

A bricklayer apprenticeship is being offered by the South Bend Bricklayers Apprenticeship Committee at 1345 Northside Blvd. in South Bend. Office hours are from 8:30-10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays only. The termination date for application is February 28.

DEBATERS CAPTURE SECOND PLACE AT STATE



Photo by Rob New

John Cassidy and Mark Norman captured second place honors at the State Debate Tournament held Feb. 8 and 9 at Kokomo Haworth High School.

Experiencing: Theme of Spanish Dinner

MALE TACO MAKERS HIGHLIGHT SPANISH DINNER

Tantalizing fragrances, delicious food, and good conversation highlighted the third annual Spanish Dinner. The dinner is a combined effort of third and fourth year Spanish students at John Adams.

The main purpose of the Spanish Dinner is to give the Spanish language student a opportunity to experience different cultures.

Each class divided into groups of two and three which then made a certain Spanish delicacy. Third year classes made dishes from Latin America and fourth year concentrated on dishes from Spain.

When people talk about Spanish food they tend to think of Mexican tacos, or enchiladas, however, this is no longer true of the John Adams Spanish students. At the dinner

they tasted **Arroz con pollo** (chicken and rice) from Cuba, **Paella** (rice, chicken, shrimp) from Spain, **Arroz con leche** (rice and milk) from Colombia, and of course **tacos**, **enchiladas**, and **nachos** from Mexico.



Photo by G. Slutsky

The Spanish Four menu featured (salad), a main dish [**Paella**], a **tortilla Espanola** (vegetable), and a **postre** (dessert). Also experienced at the dinner was **Guacomole** (avocado dip), **Buenuelos** (little donuts), tortillas, chocolate cake and chocolate chip cookies.

Sangria, a beverage from Spain was served before the walk through meal and coke and seven-up were served with the meal.

One of the biggest successes of the Spanish feast were the tacos made by three Adams males, Bill Marentette, Louis Pierce, and Kevin Wilson. The three galloping gourmets proudly displayed their tacos which took them about two hours to prepare.

Karen Wolff, fourth year student, provided her home for the 35 students and teachers who attended the Spanish Dinner on Sunday February 10, from 2:30 until 5:00 p.m.

As the students devoured the food one could hear such comments as, "Mmm I like this," "Boy are those tacos good," and "I've never tasted anything like this before."



After the eating was finished and the majority of the food gone, everyone settled back and listened to Louis Pierce, ace storyteller, told of his adventures at the Alamo.

When the stories and conversations about the spicy were discontinued a game of Jeopardy involving the conjugation of Spanish verbs was held between the third and fourth year classes. Fourth year students won the prize, which was a cold taco.

For the Spanish students at John Adams it was a Sunday of experiencing: experiencing the food and customs of other people in the world. In fact it was such a good dinner that many people were asking for the recipes so they could prepare their own Spanish dinner.

Peggy Wolf

Photo by G. Slutsky

Editorial

PEGGY WOLF

Recently John Adams has been honored with many awards, through sports and academics. The sports need not be mentioned because they are already well publicized.

There are other students, however, who deserve great admiration and congratulations. Who are these people? What team are they on? These students all worked on teams, but not in the physical, athletic sense of the word. They are the members of the band and orchestra and also the members of the coffeehouse "74" cast.

Mr. Przybysz read long lists of band and orchestra members who won superior and excellent ratings at the district contest, while students sighed and complained because it was boring. This group of musicians deserve more credit than a sigh during homeroom. Many long hours are spent in practice and preparation for a musical contest. And as in athletic contests a musician must get himself "up" in order to perform superiorly.

Coffeehouse "74" actors performed on four nights and gave their all on each night. In a short period of time this cast spent long hours building props, memorizing lines, and finally acting out the final product. This fast working group turned out a superb performance of acting talent that has been displayed as long at Adams as athletics.

This editorial is not to advocate pep assemblies for musicians, actors, debaters, or any other academic activity, but rather to point out that they deserve as much respect and credit as any sport at John Adams.

I say well done to the Band and orchestra members and to the cast of Coffeehouse "74". You deserve credit for your hard work.

Guest Editorial

MARK NORMAN

A part of Adams is dying and no one seems to care. When the next school year begins, debate and speech club will be gone. I feel ashamed and irritated that such a condition would ever come about, even though what we have now is not much.

Debate and speech should allow the vocal and questioning student an outlet for his mental frustrations. Adams has no such outlet now, with a program of 8 people that is forgotten, fundless, and near death. Coach Holmgren's anticipated resignation for reasons of disgust will drive the final stake into an area of education that Adams needs.

School administrators have long shown their concern for athletic programs, while cultural activities die off. Debate is a good example. At Adams all success has been due to the individual, not school help, coaching, or support. Adams debaters have told counterparts throughout the state and nation for years that their hardest battle is inside Adams, not in direct competition outside South Bend.

WHY DOES THERE EXIST A CONCERTED EFFORT TO STAMP OUT DEBATE? Mr. Przybysz has promised to help the situation, and we wish him the best of luck. Past history in culture-low South Bend dictates that all efforts will be in vain. Only when a man such as Mr. Przybysz is determined to build a program will change occur. We can guarantee support for such changes, but for now the burden is on our principal. Isn't it about time we paid attention to educational sports also?!!! M.A.N.

Nothing is perfect. But people continue to complain - which is good - so voice your opinion for all to hear. Use our Comment column. Jot down a BRIEF comment and contribute. ACT!.....

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Nixon Speaks

On Wednesday, January 30, 1974, at 9:00 EST, President Richard M. Nixon went through the motions of fulfilling his Constitutional responsibility of giving a State of the Union Address.

The Public was made aware of the good things in our country and also Mr. Nixon's achievements. He obviously feels that those two points are synonymous. We heard the good side of his record in the form of a rise in the Consumer Price Index 8.8%, a food price rise of 20%, a decline of the purchasing power of the dollar by 3% and of course the energy crisis, which will probably magnify all of these.

The speech was an appeal to the public for support of the President. Mr. Nixon implied that patriotism was in fact support for him. Mr. Nixon was careful in appealing for support since he said nothing controversial. He came out with big applause lines such as "There will be no recession in the United States and "One year of Watergate is enough. It is not Mr. Nixon's Constitutional right to decide when Watergate proceedings are over.

Mr. Nixon came out only with his crowd pleasing programs. In the written State of the Union, he acknowledged an economic slow down, but to keep up his image he did not say this on television. He also said nothing of our continuing responsibility in Vietnam, although he mentioned it in his written version. Nixon said we cannot "wash our hands" of it.

What we heard was an appeal for support disguised as a State of the Union Message.

Despicable Conduct

At our last assembly we were privileged to have a group of dancers come to us and deliver their message. I seriously doubt if anyone listening or watching could grasp what was being put forth because of the outrageous and despicable conduct of the JAHS student body. The term "student body" is used loosely since there was a "body" of some type present, but in no stretch of the imagination was there a "student body" present. After the disgusting display, I would be ashamed to tell one of those performers that I attended John Adams.

Many who did not understand or appreciate the performance did not have the maturity to remain silent, instead they childishly laughed and talked through the assembly. There is absolutely no excuse for such appalling conduct like that displayed at the assembly by JAHS students.

The conduct at the assembly exemplifies why we have so few assemblies and after that outrageous exhibition of immaturity and complete lack of common courtesy we will probably have even fewer assemblies.

Mark J. Eskridge

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ANOTHER REASON The Tower IS ON THE CASE.

AF Jets pursue UFO's

TOM VANCE

After picking up an unidentified target on radar, the instruments are checked and after confirmation and airborne within seconds - his pursuit, the pilot sees the object from his radar. The object has also been spotted visually from the

USAF discussions of its UFO record." / see p. 83 ; reference 1./ If nothing else, the history of military pursuits of UFO's shows the seriousness of the subject. Explanations such as "diffraction mirage distortions, anomalous propagations," and the usual star, balloon, and bird stories, although true in some cases, serve as a slap in the face to the AF pilots who have risked their honor, not to mention their lives in pursuing the "targets."

When the first pursuits began in 1948, the pilots and officers of AF bases knew the TARGETS to

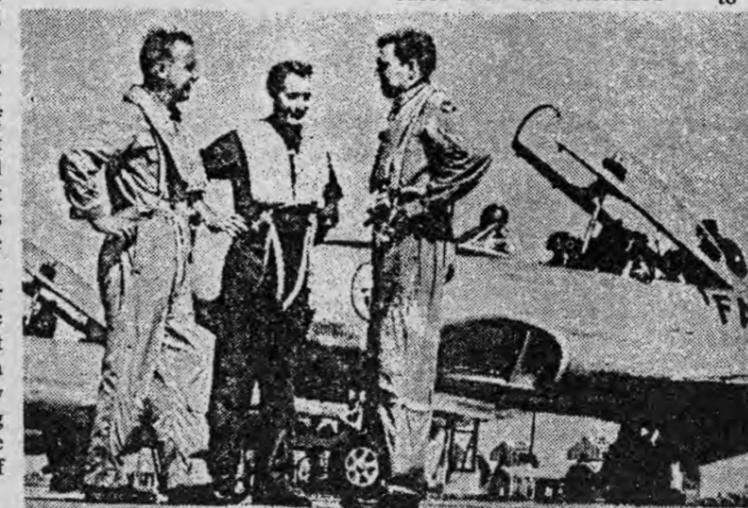
through pursuits like the one described many times every year - most of which the public is never told about. Scientist James McDonald writes of such cases, "Many scientists are entirely unaware that Air Force files contain such UFO cases, for this very interesting variety of cases has never been studied in

It is no longer the average scramble called to confirm a faulty radar spot or a misguided plane, but it is now an important military operation. Until the object is identified it will be treated as a threat to the United States. The object will either be ordered to land or it will be destroyed. All aircraft are ordered away from the pursuit path. Additional planes are placed on standby.

But something strange is happening. Everytime the interceptor gets within a few miles of the "target" it is quickly out distanced. Whatever it is can travel faster than the Air Force's best planes and the object has maneuvered as nothing else the officers are familiar with.

Is this science-fiction or another UFO fantasy appearing in the national scandal sheets? No, but the pursuit of "unknowns" is a part of military history. In fact they represent the most convincing evidence there is supporting the theory of extraterrestrial origins of some of the "targets."

The Air Force is charged with the responsibility of protecting the air space over the United States, and in fulfilling this obligation, they go



AF pilots discussing a pursuit mission. UPI - by permission of South Bend Tribune.

Teacher of the Weak

The TOWER has again revealed a teacher scandal - but can't print most.

What about the teenage contest she was in; her knee socks, and the Eagle Chicks?



Music Review

JOHN GOODSON

BLACK SABBATH:

Black Sabbath has long since established itself as one of England's top heavy hard rock super groups, along with Deep Purple. Their last album "Vol. 4", released last spring, was highly praised by some of England's top leading Rock Magazines and newspapers.

Their latest release, "Sabbath Bloody Sabbath," features Ozzie Osbourne vocal, Tony Iommi guitar, Geezer Butler bass, and Bill Ward drums. This album is also fortunate enough to have the highly talented Rich Wakeman of "Yes" playing piano and synthesizer.

Ozzy Osbourne who writes most of the numbers for Black Sabbath has always concerned his music about the events going on around him. On this album his songs bring out the theme Good vs. Evil.

GOOD vs EVIL

The cover of the album best describes what Osbourne's theme is trying to get across. On the front cover, beautifully designed by the Eye and Ear Company of Los Angeles, a man lies in his deathbed surrounded by all sorts of distorted figures bending over him, grinning, and gloating. He's a greedy man who has done evil things to get money all his life. The flip side, however, shows the good side of life. The person lies on his death bed surrounded by beautiful people crying over his dying. At the end of his bed are two tame lions guarding him.

SOUND CHANGED

The heavy acid sound of "Black Sabbath" has somewhat changed. The music is somewhat more synthesized and acoustic. Much of the music is influenced by the synthesized work of Rick Wakeman. His distinctive keyboard work can be heard by all "Yes" fans in the song "Sabba Cadabra".

This album is probably one of their best LP's to date. It took Black Sabbath nine long months of hard work to put it out. Much of the group's hard-earned success has at time pushed them beyond physical endurance. The band, less than three years old, has proven to be one of England's hardest working rock bands.

be one of three choices; Russian aircraft (very improbable), natural phenomenon (true in SOME cases), and then the possibility nobody wanted - but kept getting, the extraterrestrial or interplanetary answer.

Unfortunately some of the pursuits have resulted in death. There are also examples of Jet's shooting at the targets. This doesn't try to make it appear as though the UFO's are hostile and try to kill our pilots, but it does prove that whatever those men were pursuing was worth taking dangers they knew could be fatal.

Nothing here is the authors opinion, but that of AF officers. See - Sagan, UFO's - A Scientific Debate. Ruppelt, Report of UFO's. Hynek, UFO Experience. NICAP, UFO Evidence.

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Y.F.U. Adds Program for Student Artists

By Jessie Crosson

Youth for Understanding, an international student exchange organization, offers U.S. students a chance to share life with a host family abroad, and places foreign students in American homes. This year a new program in Brazil has been developed for talented student artists.

Y.F.U.'s summer program attracts many American exchange students. Summer program participants are not required to know the language of their host nation.

Brazilian masters instruct students

This year a new summer program for young artists has been

established in Brazil. Students will live with carefully selected families for eight weeks and study painting, drawing, sculpture, carving, and engraving with Brazilian masters of the Brazilian Society of Fine Arts. Students must supply their own tools.

Student artists must be recommended by their school's art department. This program's cost is \$950.

The regular summer program's fee is \$910. Needy Indiana students can receive up to \$200 in financial aid. High school students of all ages are selected according to information from their applications, references, school records,

personal statements and Y.F.U. interviews.

Qualified students live for two summer months in the country of their choice, one of 26 countries on four continents. Students travel and perhaps take classes with other American students if enough are in the area.

For further information concerning both year-long and summer programs, see Mrs. Bond, room 119. Or write:

Youth for Understanding
2015 Washtenaw Avenue
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104



Don't miss "Beyond Our Control" every Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Action scenes from the film "Ben-Hur" are given a new treatment in the next edition of BEYOND OUR CONTROL, the weekly TV show about TV. The program, produced by the Junior Achievement television company, will be seen Saturday (February 16) at 5 PM EST on Channel 16.

"The New Ben Hur Show!," as the television version is titled, features Steve Wyant as Ben; Liza Moon as his mother, Mrs. Hur; Don Fields as Masola, Ben's competitor in the race; and Randy Rhinehart as the commander of a Roman galley.

In other skits, Dave Kololszar plays an obnoxious drunk in a restaurant, harassing diners Steve Wyant and Mary Williams. The program also offers another in its series of public service announcements combatting "egg abuse" and presents a commercial peddling a commemorative record album for singer Lawrence Seeway.



Cartoon by Dan Harrigan



Point - Counterpoint

Value of 'Trash Reading' Debated

Too often the average person goes through life accepting everything he sees, hears or reads. This person, no doubt, would never even think about purchasing a magazine such as NATIONAL LAMPOON.

This magazine, termed 'gross' by some, nevertheless offers one way of awaking from an intellectual stupor.

New readers of this magazine are frequently embarrassed by the liberal dosage of four letter words and occasional pornography. But if you take the time to read the articles and look at what is actually being said, you may find that you are reading some of the funniest material you will ever see.

In this age of mass-media, where the brightly packaged product is everything, the attention given to 'gross' details seems to be the only

way of gaining the public's attention. The day of subtle humor has passed. Grossness is now. Who can say what the future will hold.

By Crambley Lowbrow



Grotesque magazines are more than sickening, they are damaging. The literary "excellence" of NATIONAL LAMPOON and similar works not only turns the stomach, it disturbs the mind.

Originally, the dirty joke or cheap sex picture was an infrequent way of getting kicks in the locker room. The liberation of our culture in recent years, however, has opened the door for an abuse of man's #1 problem: his curiosity.

My indictment of trash reading is two-fold. First, it steals time and money that could be used more

productively. If the time and money used in writing, printing and reading such masterpieces as STRANGE SEX could be used to solve problems, increase man's intellect, or even sleep, I am sure that all except the models, photographers, and literary quacks would profit.

Second, the supposed purpose of trash reading, to entertain and relax, is a farce. In reality, the reader is goaded into constant physical stimulation. The humor involved is not meant to make one chuckle, but to belch and ferment indigestion. In the end, the reader is left feeling guilty of buying perverse material, yet is guided to feel some joy out of cheating God, Mom, or his wife.

Censorship is definitely not the way to solve this problem. The power of the consumer should guide trash reading, sick movies, and gross photos off of our shopping list, if we so desire. If we recognize the difference between humor and vain exploitation, perhaps STRANGE SEX and its counterparts will wrinkle up and die in bed.

By Mark Norman

Vocational Ed. Week Begins

National Vocational Education Week embarks February 10th on its annual one week celebration that continues through February 16th.

"The purpose of Vocational Education", explains Vernon H. Dudley, Adams ICT coordinator, "is to teach salable skills to high school students before completion of high school."

Vocational Education encompasses ICT (Industrial Cooperative Training), DE (Distributive Education), OEA (Office Education Association), FFA (Future Farmers of America), and FHA (Future Homemakers of America).

Local highlights include an open house at Central Career School and a picture display of the ICT class at John Adams.

Comment: Peer Influence

By Stu Dolde

Looking down from the new peer-influence room, the Tower, is somewhat breathtaking. After my first visit to the room, I left impressed with the view, but not the program.

On paper, the idea of maintaining a place for students to discuss problems looks great. In my opinion, most students would get little or nothing out of the program as it exists now.

As an experiment, I visited the peer-influence office on four different occasions. Three of these times, I was the party that initiated and maintained the discussion. (These were just friendly talks, not formal counseling sessions). In short, I formulated the opinion that the counselors were lacking in experience, concern, or both. After asking similar questions to individual counselors, and getting totally unrelated answers, I also concluded that some of them do not understand the basic workings of their organization.

Peer-influence may eventually become the best program that

Adams has to offer. Its all-out goal of achieving improved human relations is certainly praiseworthy.

Many of the counselors realize the need for change, and seem eager to improve their organization. Whatever the case, the effectiveness of this organization still leaves much to be desired; even some of the counselors admit it.

Perhaps this program was launched prematurely. The required 2-day crash-course in "psychology" is not ample to introduce prospective counselors to their duties. A much more rigorous training schedule should have been required before the program was opened to student problems.

In my opinion, allowing a student with a problem to consult an untrained source for help could prove very harmful to that student. The members of the peer-influence program should make a combined effort to gain more knowledge about the type of service they intend to perform. Without this effort, students will not turn to peer-influence for help.

The Cold Within

By James Patrick Kinney

Six humans trapped by happenstance

In bleak and bitter cold.
Each one possessed a stick of wood,
Or so the story told.

Their dying fire had need of logs.
The first man held his back
For of the faces round the fire
He noticed one was black.

The next man looking 'cross the way
Saw one not of his church
And couldn't bring himself to give
The fire his twig of birch.

The third one sat in tattered clothes.
He gave his coat a hitch.

Why should his log be put to use
To warm the idle rich?

The rich man simply sat and thought
Of wealth he had in store
And how to keep what he had earned
From the lazy, shiftless poor.

The black man's face bespoke revenge
As the fire passed from sight.
For all he saw in his stick of wood
Was a chance to spite the white.

Their logs held tight in death's still hands
Were proof of human sin.
They did not die from the cold without
They died from the cold within.

Adams Skiers Pass Test

After several months of rigorous training, candidates for the National Ski Patrol took their final test, Wednesday, Feb. 6, at Bendix Woods County Park.

Six of the 12 Bendix Woods people that took the test were John Adams students. All six... Kevin Crowe, Cassie Gundlach, John Gundlach, Pam Leary, George Meyer, and Linda Yendes, passed the test. Another JAHS student, Sid Price, was unable to take the test due to an injury, but turned in an excellent performance

throughout the training program. Every one of them set a fine example of good attitude, determination, and self-discipline, during the test and training program. Each of them demonstrated their ability to ski and perform first-aid skills in a superior manner, which is necessary in becoming a patroller.

I offer them my congratulations, in hopes that they will continue their outstanding work.

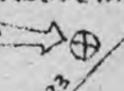
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EAGLE ATHLETES SWEEP NIC TITLES

SEAGLES NAB CITY & NIC CROWNS

BY MARK NORMAN

Improving with each struggle, the Adams Seagles may be leaving the role of bridesmaid to Munster. Whipping city rival Jackson twice in a row, and winning the NIC meet in championship fashion, the swimmers are beginning to show that they can't be counted out. Jackson's Tigerfish, accustomed to beating Adams in recent years, was given a second slap in the face during the annual City swim meet. Beaten a week earlier in the Adams pool, they fell 352-331 to another Seagle surge. Dan Harrigan, All-American swimmer and part-time cartoonist, led Adams with two individual wins. Aiding and abetting the cause were John

Feferman, Mike Slowey, Jim Sevryn, Steve Patterson, Phil Thornberg, and diver Lloyd Emmons.

Harrigan broke records in both of his events, while the performances of Mike Slowey and the 200 medley relay team also eclipsed old standards. Eight of 11 existing records were cracked by swimmers from the South Bend schools.

In their yearly romp, the Seagles won the NIC title, beating second place LaPorte 362-181. Adams swimmers won nine of the possible 11 events.

Harrigan was the star of the meet, as his time in the 100-yard backstroke qualified him for All-American honors. Because of Seagle superiority, Coach Steve

Smith kept Harrigan out of the water for many races, allowing younger team members to win their races.

Thornberg, Feferman, Sevryn, Patterson, Slowey, and Emmons were joined in the hero's circle by senior Dennis Foster and freshmen John Komora and Dan Kiley.

Slowey, Thornberg, and Emmons set new records in their individual events, while the 200 medley relay team missed breaking the State record by a mere .1 second.

Sectionals are this weekend at Washington. For a thrill, one might come out and see Adams go at Jackson for the third time this season.

WRESTLERS CRUSH FOES

BY MIKE CLARKE

"We will win," said Grappler captain, Rick Mitchem before he competed in the wrestling Sectional Tournament, held at Adams.

Mitch's strongly confident outlook proved to be right as coach Moe Aronson led his wrestlers to a big win in the tournament. The Eagles tallied 105 points, with Sophomores Dennis Reid and Tom Pauszek, Seniors Rick Wade and

Mitchem each winning individually championships.

A heartbreaking loss, 3-2, was handed to Clark Price in his final match. Joe Taylor, Todd Windmiller, Aaron Watson, and Leo Couch joined Price in the runner-up position.

The four winners and the five runners-up will advance to the regional scheduled for tomorrow.

Before the week of preparation for the sectionals, the Mighty

matmen, clinched a conference title by murdering helpless Michigan City, 51-3.

The Eagles dominated the meet with five pins and six decisions.

Tomorrow, at Washington, Mitch and Company will try to come out with another team sweep. Mitchem, himself, will try to protect his undefeated record in his battle for a second consecutive state championship.



Seagle action at Adams. Tower V. Tyler

Clay Whips Frosh

BY TOM DENNIN

Coach Terry Smith and his freshman team met defeat once again. The team started off the season in defeat, with losses to Marian, Mishawaka, Grissom, St. Joe and Central. They came back with victories over Jackson and Washington.

They they played Clay and were not as fortunate as they were against Jackson and Washington. The score of the Adams-Clay game was Clay 56, Adams 41. It was a

pretty close ball game until the fourth quarter, then Clay pulled away for the victory.

Phillip Davis was the high point man for Adams with 12 points, Carmen Wood and Mike Marshall were next with 8 points, Terry Bridges had 6, Dave Laymen had 4, and Dale Enick had 3 points. . . for a total of 41.

The freshman team still has a pretty tough schedule left in their season. Let's hope they defeat the rest of their opponents.

Seagals Undefeated

ABBY SMITH

Lafayette Jefferson proved to be little competition for the Seagals. Beating the Jeff squad by 57 points gave the girls confidence, bringing th dream of "three in a row" closer to reality.

The two home meets against Marian and Washington were easy wins. The girls now have the record of 51 straight.

Some big time winners were Paula Hendricks, Beth Jacimo, Kerry Kiley, and Ann Oren. A smashing relay of Ann Dolde, Beth Barrel, Chris Walters and Moira Dingley ended the Washington meet with a score of 65-53.

After four more easy duel meets the task of victory at City, Regional, and State will be upon our young females.



Andy Harris sinks a 15-footer. Tower! R. New

CAGERS NIP WASHINGTON

BY SCOTT BRENNAN

It was a weekend of ups and downs for Coach Dave Hadaway.

After avenging an earlier loss to South Bend Washington, the Eagles dropped a tough 69-51 loss to Gary Wallace.

Against the Panthers, five Eagle cagers scored in double figures en route to a 75-67 verdict.

After a close 22-21 first quarter, the tight Eagle defense held the West-siders to a scant total of 8 points.

This provided a comfortable 12 point lead before the scrappy Washington ball club fought their way back to gain a 62-61 edge with 4:57 left.

A determined Adams effort lead by sharp shooting guard Andy Harris erased the 1-point deficit and found Adams on top by 8 at the buzzer.

A tough Wallace squad who upset 5th ranked Gary West last week, pulled the string on Adams last Saturday night.

After a 6-point first quarter the Eagles were never in it as Adams produced their lowest offensive output of the season.

A Jim Szabo basket with 24 ticks on the clock clinched a 58-56 NIC victory over South Bend Riley on February 1st.

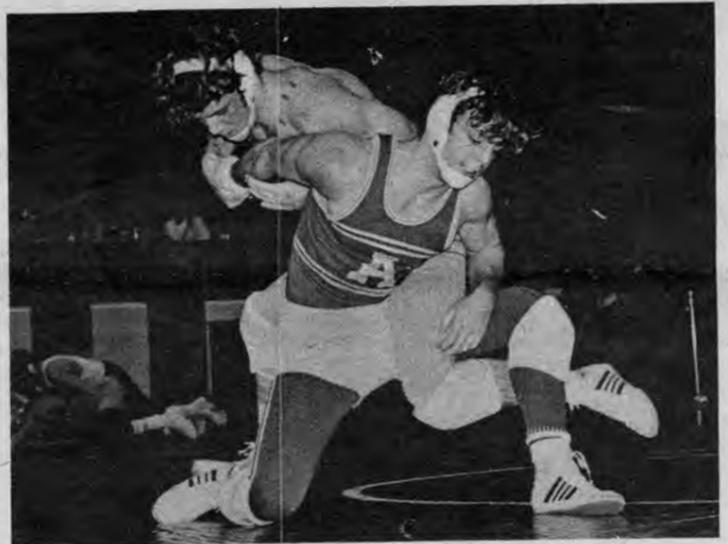
Andy Harris clicked for 21 points as Darryl Ashby and Torrence Moody teamed up to collect 24 rebounds.

Down by 10 at the half, third quarter action saw Adams burn the nets for 31 points and a sizable 11-point lead.

The never-say-die Wildcats fought back to tie the game up at 56-56 before Jim Szabo hit from 12-feet out.

A Torrence Moody rebound with 0:08 remaining iced the 2 point verdict and protected Adams' undefeated NIC record.

This weekend's schedule features NIC foe Elkhart Central, and East Chicago Roosevelt.



Tim Mahler struggles in sectional action.

Gymnasts In Full Swing

FEMALE

MALE

BY BARB KEITH

BY DAVE WEISMAN

The Adams Girl's Gymnasts swung their way to a decisive victory in the opening meet of their season. Despite illness and injuries to key team members, the Eagles downed Northwood 57.50 to 47.40.

Sophomore Becky Hentz took top honors, winning the all-around award, grabbing a first in both balance beam and floor exercise, and pulling a second on uneven bars. Lynn Christian, the team's only senior, took a first on the uneven bars. Showing the team's depth, sophomores Bridget Baran, Carol Finnerty and Cathy Chavez and freshman Julie Janus all placed high in their individual events.

Coach Poe's chief criticism of his young team's initial performance was a loss of points caused by routines that were under the required time limit. But he hopes experience will iron out his team's problems by sectional time, when they expect to sweep the other teams off the mats.

The John Adams Boy's Gymnastics team continued their losing skid throughout January and into February with losses to Crown Point, DeKalb and Elkhart Memorial.

Throughout the season the team has been hit hard with injuries, ineligibilities, and the like. Facing tough competition has also taken its toll on the gymnasts as their record now stands at 0-10.

Against Crown Point and DeKalb, a double dual meet held at Adams, the team turned in some fine performances in a losing cause. Marc Woodford showed fine form in vaulting, and Mike Jaicomo tied for first on rings. At Memorial, the team faced a very tough squad and was in the thick of the battle until the horizontal bar competition. Marc Woodford captured All-Around honors.

Coach Poe is optimistic about future meets, including the Heritage Invitational and a rematch with DeKalb.



Captain Abby Smith strokes smoothly. Tower V. Tyler

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