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PRESIDENT OF ADAMS FOUNDATION RE-ELECTED

Harold E. Brueseke Named to Post

Harold E. Brueseke, 52741 Arbor Drive, South Bend, has been re-elected President of the John Adams High School Foundation by the foundation's Board of Directors. Brueseke, a 1961 graduate of the school was elected to his first term in 1972.

Other officers elected at the annual meeting of the Foundation on February 25 were Keith Hall, Vice President, Mrs. F. Dale Metzger, Treasurer, and Paul B. LaMar, Secretary.

The Adams Foundation was formed in 1959 by the Adams Alumni Association for the purpose of granting interest free scholarship loans to Adams' graduates pursuing higher education. The Foundation was incorporated in 1960 and since that time has

extended loans to alumni in excess of \$5,600. The Foundation's funds are derived from memorial gifts, alumni contributions, and general donations of persons interested in the Foundation's activities. In light of existing economic conditions, Brueseke believes that applications for funds will increase this year and suggests that anyone interested in assisting the Foundation contact him personally.

The Directors of the Foundation include the officers: Brian Hedman; James Considine; Mrs. Robert H. Parker; Carl Martz; Charlotte Engle; William T. Means; Vince Fragomeni; Paul Wendzonka; as well as William Przybysz, the Adams principal; and Alex Benko of the Adams Counseling Staff.

A New Sport: Skiing

Adams Skiers Dominate Local Slopes

Cassie Gundlach

Skiing, the hottest winter sport around, attracts more and more participants each year. The lure of fresh air and invigorating exercise brings people out to the slopes to practice snow plows, carved turns, and hot-dog stunts. Local ski areas include: Swiss Valley, Jones, Michigan; Royal Valley, Buchanan, Michigan; and the local hang-out, Bendix Woods just west of town.

South Bend is joining in the ski explosion. Bendix Woods sponsored a winter festival last month, drawing more participants than ever before. Adams dominated the action in both the officiating and competitive capacities.

Participating as gate judges were National Ski Patrollers Stuart Dolde, George Meyer, and Pam Leary. Competing were: Mike Crow; Kevin Crowe; John Gundlach, second in free-style hot-dog; Cassie Gundlach, first in women's 14-17 slalom open division, first in women's 14-7 freestyle hot-dog; and Linda Yendes, second in women's 14-17 open slalom. With the only competition coming from LaPorte's Ski Valley, Adams claimed the majority of trophies.

A great season of mashed mogles, carved turns and broken thumbs highlighted the action at Bendix Woods.



Photo/S. Price

Will Adam's Students See Change?

Testing Service: College Boards Undergo Change

General concern for the student going to college who can't put a sentence together promoted the inclusion of a 30-minute Test of Standard Written English (S.W.E.T.) with the Scholastic Aptitude Test (S.A.T.) beginning this fall.

The change will affect 1.1 million students throughout the nation. S.A.T. verbal and math sections, now 75 minutes each, will be cut by 15 minutes to make time for the language usage test in the allotted three hours.

The language usage test will be focused at the lower range of ability level. It will help placement for the remedial or advanced section in college freshmen English.

William H. Angoff, executive director, college board division

Educational Testing Service, stated, "we're recognizing that we haven't been paying as much attention to written skills at lower ends of the talent scale." He suggests that a 2 to 6 scale will be more effective than the 200 to 800 range of S.A.T.'s.

S.W.E.T. will consist of fifty items. Students will be expected to identify certain parts of sentences that are in error. For example, "I HAVE just TOOK my book home." Students would indicate the incorrect verb form of "took."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Information for the above article was taken from a recent issue of the CHICAGO TRIBUNE. The article in the Tribune was written by Ruth Moss.

Colleges Offer Assistance

Joe Bosco

The General Motors Scholarship Plan is offering \$200 to \$2000 per year. You must be planning on entering some area of industry in either engineering, business administration, economics, mathematics, or science. Other requirements are application and acceptance at one of the 135 four years colleges offering this program, and some financial need. Deadline depends on the choice of college.

This plan is unique in that you will not apply directly to General Motors for the scholarship but write to one of the participating colleges for their assistance and indicate to them that you want to be considered for this scholarship fund.

Albion College is offering scholarships of \$1000 a year on top of the salary from the co-op job. You must apply and be accepted by Albion College, plan on majoring in business management, participate in a co-op program with the college, and possibly work with a double major in business and your field of interest.

The National Institute of Food Technologists is offering \$1000 as junior or seniors or \$500 to freshmen or sophomores. The applicant must be a freshman at Purdue and a major in Food Science and Technology. Deadline is April first.

The Pilot Club of South Bend is offering a \$500 scholarship for a senior girl planning to attend the Memorial Hospital School of Nursing having a B or better average in high school. Deadline is March 31.

The Chopin Fine Arts Club is offering a \$500 scholarship. You must be admitted to a Fine Arts or Liberal Arts program in a four year college, complete the application, and have a good scholarship record. March 31 is the deadline.

All scholarships require a PCS form, and application and acceptance to a school.

For more information see Mr. Rensberger.

One picture . . . tells a thousand stories



ADAMS EAGLES-1974 SECTIONAL CHAMPS

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Photo/R. Ball

In the news . . .

Student Government thanks the students who attended the '50's Sock-Hop and donated their money to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Thanks also to the teachers who chaperoned, the students who donated refreshments and decorated the gym, and to the janitors who helped set-up and clean-up. A special thanks to the band for entertainment and hard work. Profit is seen as over \$200.00. Left over refreshments were given to the Northern Indiana Children's Hospital.

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The cast has been named for the Bethel College presentation of Meredith Wilson's "The Music Man." Professor Dennis Doverspike, instructor of voice and opera, is the musical director. Dr. Earl Reimer, professor of English and chairman of the division of language and literature, is the technical and stage director. They conducted tryouts for all students interested in participating in the spring musical.

"The Music Man" is set in early 20th Century America. Professor Harold Hill, a traveling salesman, promises to form a local student band in order to sell his band instruments and uniforms. After he's paid off it's a fast freight and no band. Marian, the librarian, comes onto the scene at River City, Iowa, and the quack professor's story and life suddenly change.

At Bethel, senior Steve Cramer will take the part of Harold Hill. Marian has been double cast with Bonnie Hostetler and Linda Skinner. Her mother, Mrs. Paroo, is played by Joyce Bridges. Jennie and Bruce Lengacher will portray the children in the play.

The cast will perform in Michigan City's Canterbury Theatre on March 29 and 30 before their three presentations in Goodman Auditorium on April 4, 5, and 6. Curtain time is 8:00 p.m.

Tickets are available in advance from the campus Fine Arts Office.

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The Wheaton College Concert Band presented a program in Bethel College's Goodman Auditorium on Thursday, March 14, 1974, at 8:00 p.m.

Under the direction of Arthur Katterjohn, assistant professor of music, the group consists of 70 young men and women. Their program includes a wide variety of music from various periods. The Band conducts annual concert tours and consistently has won acclaim for its outstanding musicianship.

The itinerary for the current school year includes a spring tour to the East Coast and various campus performances.

In 1966 the Band embarked on Venture III when 50 members of the group participated in a musical tour of South American universities and cultural centers. Invitation for the Venture was prompted by two previous visits of the Brass Ensemble.

Wheaton maintains five music organizations for its students--the Concert Choir, the Mens Glee Club, the Women's Glee Club, the Concert Band, and the Symphony Orchestra. In addition to music, members of these groups represent the various major fields of study offered by the college.

The Wheaton Band appearance was hosted by the Bethel Band members.

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On Thursday night, February 7, the local Muscular Dystrophy Association held a meeting at LaFortune Student Center on the campus of Notre Dame. The purpose of the meeting was to formally announce plans for Muscular Dystrophy's local fund drive to interested individuals and groups.

Events definitely scheduled are a Dance Marathon (March 22-24, the winning couple receives \$300.00), Shamrock Day (March 17), an auction (March 30), and a tricycle-bicycle race (April 20, winning entry shall receive a travelling trophy).

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THE END OF THE
NO-HUM

Guest Editorial

It is a shame that top notch Indiana high school basketball games are spoiled before they even begin.

Failure to rise for our national anthem is not only rude but ignorant. Do the people who remain seated enjoy running down Old Glory or have they forgotten the thousands of Americans who gave their lives so we could live in a free country? Cannot these people understand that they are lucky enough to prosper in the greatest land that has ever been known, or do they think freedom comes easily and is retained with little or no effort.

Although greatly criticized, our conflict with North Viet-nam did serve a great service in weeding out Americans who want freedom but refuse to fight for it. These people may have gone north of the border, but their anti-American feelings have stayed right here and have carried on with the squatters. A nation is only as strong as its people. Such a gross display of Anti-patriotism is an infamous link in the creeping giant of liberalism.

If these people have no place for America, then America has no place for them.

On Point-Counterpoint

Staff Editorial

Due to the controversy surrounding the previous Point-Counterpoint [School Spirit], we have been asked to clear up a few misconceptions.

Initially, the purpose behind this column has been, and will continue to be, forum for opposing views on a given topic should be brought out. From all indications, the reading public has begun to think that this column is nothing more than a place for Mark Norman to talk about what he likes, or dislikes. Regardless of who writes the article, it is the theme, not the author that should make the difference.

The Tower staff wants you to make up your mind AFTER you have read both sides, no matter how painful that may be.

The most discouraging problem that has cropped up is that of attacks on the writers. The authors of these columns are picked by the staff and no one else. We take full responsibility for what they say, and that also applies for what we write. The writer of an article, however, may not always have the same belief personally as he does on paper. Often he is chosen because he can express the views in an effective manner.

It is more important that each side is presented, than to quibble over if that person actually believes what he writes. One of the major reasons for the use of alias names in this column has been the fear of trouble brought on by the expression of a viewpoint. We find it tragic that some writers who do have faith in their readers, and do sign their names, are subject to needless pressures.

If Point-Counterpoint was an editorial or essay column, we could see challenges on the writer's view. But this column is meant to bring out both sides, without regard to your present beliefs or prejudices.

We enjoy hot water, if you know what we mean. We fear for other writers, however, who, sometime in the future, will not roll with the punches. To you, the reader, we hope you understand our dilemma, and will respect our worries. There is no counter-point to this view because the right to a free and responsible press is unquestionable. Thank you.

We regret that we cannot print anonymous articles in the Tower. We will be happy to print any article when we know who has composed it. This will continue to be a policy of the Tower and it applies to any person connected with John Adams.

Tower Editor



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Librarian
of the Weak

Mr. Bingham, who played football at
Central, and now turned librarian, is
involved in chess. His life time ambition
is to defeat Mr. Goodman.

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ESKRIDGE'S JOURNAL



MARK ESKRIDGE

Mr. Nixon's press conference last
Wednesday was a rerun with a few
extras thrown in. When asked about the
Energy Crisis and the Economy, we
found that he hadn't changed within the
past nine days. Mr. Nixon again said,
"there will be no recession in 1974." He
said that he could not discuss the oil
embargo, but he did say that he was
pleased his veto stuck. He is now going
to "move forward on the various
measures that I have proposed that will
accomplish the goal that this bill
mistakenly was deemed to accom-
plish."

Mr. Nixon again stated that
impeachment requires a criminal
offense. He says of his opinion: "It's
the Constitutional view. The Constitu-
tion is very precise." If the Constitution
is "very precise" then why is there a
discrepancy as to what is an
impeachable offense? James Madison's
view does not uphold the idea that the
President can only be impeached if he is
guilty of a criminal offense. Mr.
Madison said in 1789, "I think it
absolutely necessary that the President
should have the power of removing his
appointees from office; it will make
him, in a peculiar manner, responsible
for their conduct and subject him to
impeachment himself, if he suffers
them to perpetuate with impunity high
crimes or misdemeanors against the
United States, or neglects to
superintend their conduct, so as to
check their excesses. On the
constitutionality of the declaration, I
have no manner of doubt."

The most crucial part of the

conference for the President was his
account of his March, 1973 meeting
with John Dean. Last August 15th, he
said that Dean told him that the money
paid to the defendants was for lawyers
fees and family support. At the press
conference, he said that Dean told him
that hush money was paid to the
defendants. The question is: How long
did Mr. Nixon know of the payments?

In an appeal for support, Mr. Nixon
disclosed that he would meet "under
oath" with the Judiciary Committee.
He has consented to give the
Committee everything that Jaworski
received. He said nothing of the fact
that he had refused six tapes to the
special prosecutor and that those tapes
may be subpoenaed by the Committee.
Mr. Nixon is attempting to appear
cooperative while protecting the
Presidency, when in fact, it is not his
choice to cooperate. Constitutionally he
will have to give up all evidence.

Time to Change
Class Elections???

The present system of selecting
class officers is, in our opinion,
inadequate. We would like to bring
up a few points that we feel are
insufficient for a successful and
rewarding year.

The elections are held too late in
the year. The officers do not have
enough time to plan the year before
it begins. The elections are run as a
popularity contest. There is a
chance that the officers can not
work together or get along in a
business-like manner.

The way in which we would like
the elections run is to hold them in
the spring of the preceding year. In
doing so, the officers will be able to
plan the next year's activities over
the summer.

In order to have better
cooperation between class officers,
we suggest a running ticket. The
running ticket allows the president
and vice president, secretary and
treasurer to run on separate
tickets. (President and vice
president on one and secretary and
treasurer on another). The class
would vote on the ticket rather than
for each individual office. This way
would reassure the relationship

between the two officers so that the
various jobs will get done.

We would like to organize a
review board made up of the class
sponsors and possibly other faculty
members. The candidates would
then have a chance to explain what
their plans would be. The review
board's powers would be to listen to
the candidates' campaigns and
decide whether they are capable of
fulfilling their perspective offices.

Campaigns would be a good way
for students to get an idea of who
will represent them the best. This
would include speech-making and
publicity posters in addition to their
submission to the review board.
This gives capable yet unknown
students a chance to reveal their
potential.

We feel that with these changes,
a more accomplished year would be
achieved. Perhaps, by doing so,
more students would be attracted
to become involved and have a
pleasurable experience at the same
time.

By: Pam Gregg
Colleen Kiley
Tim Oletti
Sara Yang

Bright Side Philosophy

MAN IS DISTINGUISHED FROM ALL
OTHER CREATURES BY THE
FACULTY OF LAUGHTER.

SOMEONE ONCE DEFINED HUMOR
AS A WAY TO KEEP FROM KILLING
YOURSELF.

Abe Burrows

WHAT SUNSHINE IS TO FLOWERS,
SMILES ARE TO HUMANITY. THEY
ARE BUT TRIFLES, TO BE SURE,
BUT SCATTERED ALONG LIFE'S
PATHWAY, THE GOOD THEY DO IS
INCONCEIVABLE.

IF YOU DON'T LEARN TO LAUGH AT
TROUBLE, YOU WON'T HAVE
ANYTHING TO LAUGH AT WHEN
YOU'RE OLD.

Ed Howe

HUMOR IS LAUGHING AT WHAT
YOU HAVEN'T GOT WHEN YOU
OUGHT TO HAVE IT.

Langston Hughes

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YOU-WORRY ON THE BANKS OF
THE RIVER SMILE WHERE THE
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Swimming
Comment

BY DOC DAN SEAGLE

Concerning Mark Norman's article,
"Seagles Second in State . . ." I can't
say the last time I have read a similar
sports article in which the writer
expounds his own personal opinions
and tries hopelessly to relate them to
the event. This certainly cannot be
called good sports writing, for not only
does Mark go about it wrong, but he
writes the article with a "superior" lack
of knowledge in the area of swimming.
The fault of the article lies not only in
Mark's "opinionations" but also in his
own inexperience of the sport. How he
can comment on morale is beyond me.
Besides, the layman cannot conceive
the morale of a team unless he himself
is involved closely with the team.

How Mark can conjecture to say that
we "fully expected to win" the state
championship is presumptuous. He
would not really know whether we
"fully expected" to win or not unless he
talked to a swimmer(s), about our exact
chances in each event and the varying
combinations of point totals. I'm certain
he did not do that. Mark's reference to
preliminary rounds being the "loafing
time" for most swimmers certainly
doesn't say much for swimming,
besides being totally incorrect. I don't
know anybody who loafs in swimming
meets and I don't believe anybody does.
His reference to MOST is absurd.

I would like to know what Mark
means by "superior consistency is what
it takes to be a champion." His
inference that or swim team does not
have that is also wrong. This is the best
team we've had in years and will be for
a long time.

Mark's article was also shown to be
inconsistent as he contradicted himself,
concerning our lack of superior
swimming and the fact that we won four
events to Munster's two. I always
thought that winning more events than
someone showed them to be superior,
or the best.

All in all, I would simply say that this
pseudo-intellectual, impressed by his
own oratory, leads himself too far out on
the limb, because of his own ignorance
and major lack of understanding. But
the major falseness of the article lies not
just within Mark himself, but the
attitude he expressed. Munster was not
the "ego-breaker," Adams swimmers
were not dreamers, and we are not sad
of the "bittersweet ending to an
otherwise great four years." Where
was Mark during those four years?

The fact remains that it wasn't the
Adams swim team that started "to click
... too little too late," but I believe it is
more the case of Mark's "clicking" into
his journalistic "ability" too much, too
early.

Teacher
of the Weak

Wearing his French beret and supplied
with binacca, his favorite sayings are
"Hello," and "No problem."

THE TOWER...A STEP
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"Beyond Our Control" Wins National Award

BEYOND OUR CONTROL, the weekly satirical revue produced by the Junior Achievement Television Company for WNDU-TV, South Bend, Indiana, has been named the nation's best locally-produced variety show in its market class by the National Association of Television Program Executives.

Meeting in convention in Los Angeles this week, the nationwide organization of television station program directors gave the 1973 NATPE Program Award to WNDU-TV representative Paul E. Walton, Jr.

The program was entered in



competition with programming produced throughout the country in markets below the Top 25.

The citation from the NATPE described the series as "outstanding variety programming actually produced by students in South Bend, Indiana, providing a new and entertaining insight into the status of contemporary American culture, as mirrored by the television industry, itself."

Comment: Swim Article

By Mark Norman

The major complaints of Messers. Harrigan and Severyn seem to be my lack of qualifications, and my misinterpretation of the action. It must be noted that they challenge my views of the situation, and not my omitting of important facts. It is here that their objections lack truth.

Regarding my qualifications, I admit that I don't know a world about swimming. It is a lie, however, that I know absolutely nothing, and thus should refrain from writing. I've written about the Seagles for two years, insuring them constant publicity. Doesn't it seem strange that I received no qualification challenges until after I had written an article they didn't like? I think this was hypocritical on their part.

As for my following the team during the past four years, I have watched the City Frosh-Soph champs of 1971 progress each year, whether I've liked it or not. You can't avoid it when your friends are swimmers and talk of their victories, or of their losing teammates due to morale problems I question my opponent's integrity when they can't admit that some of their fellow seniors quit the team this year, depriving them of depth, and quit for those same morale problems. Can't you guys allow outside observation?

Many of their other attacks are simply a lack of thinking on their part.

In regard to the "bittersweet ending", this was meant to be a reflection on your worth. I felt you and your team were fantastic, so it must have been disappointing not to win first. Isn't it always "bittersweet" when you don't win first if you are an excellent team?

Concerning the "loafing time" issue, I meant that swimmers who know they can qualify often won't swim their hardest in prelim's. This was meant to be a compliment to Mr. Harrigan, for he seems to do his best all the time.

The point is, if you want to find fault in something (my article, for instance) it isn't too hard. To be correct in your accusations, however, is a completely different situation.

I find myself disturbed by their mis-guided attacks. Sure I made some mistakes, and I apologize for them. But their response with bush-league tactics, I find tragic. I was refused permission to see my opponent's COMMENTS before the Tower's Editor intervened. How can I defend myself if my attackers deny me the right of seeing the evidence to be used against me?

To attack my article is fine, but to use deception and misanalysis is improper. Your team had a great year, but I refuse to write that you won when you did not. The Tower should be journalism, not editorialism when it comes to news, and sports is news. The facts are that you were consistently excellent, but not superior to Munster.

I applaud your efforts, and hope you will not misunderstand my views.

Pep Band Enjoys Applause

By Patricia DeLater

Who gives the "Pulse" to school athletic functions? Who is always there to "back the team?" The pep band, that's who!

This group of students attends all football games, all home basketball games, and as of this year, attended major swim meets. We will be attending home baseball games this year as well.

The Adams pep band, composed of 30 devoted musicians, is directed by 3 female drum majors: Sharon Carlson, a junior; Holly Pelking, a senior; and Pattie DeLater, a senior. The instrumentation is close to that of a small band; piccolo, flutes, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, french horn, baritone, tuba, electric bass, and, of course, percussion.

The pep band provides music for chers and entertainment. We lead cheers, help with assemblies, and stand in the cold and rain playing our school song and our National Anthem, the Star Spangled



Pep Band enlivens assembly. [Photo, Ric Ball]

Banner. We back our teams more faithfully in most instances than does any certain parts of sentences are in error. For example, "I WE just TOOK my book home." Students would indicate the incorrect verb form of "took."

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"Exorcist" Stirs Furore

By Christopher McCraley

It was the day after Christmas when the devil's reign in the minds of Americans was born. The movie, "The Exorcist", based on William Peter Blatty's book, premiered creating a fervor which spread "like hell" over the United States.

From then the nightmare began: There were reports of fainting, hysteria, and "janitors going bananas wiping up the vomit" as a result of the movie. One frenzied movie-goer charged the screen to "get the demon".

In its almost a month showing at the State Theater in South Bend already seven people have fainted.

Until recently over \$10 million were spent by the curious, the moralist, the satirist, and the horror-movie freak to see the movie. This figure threatens to oust "The Godfather" as the top money-maker. The State Theater has reported record-breaking profits and extremely long, serpentine lines for the R-rated show.

Many editors, religious publications, psychoanalysts and movie-goers have contrasting views concerning the religious and psychological aspects of "The Exorcist". Some call the notion of demonic possession "a lot of fiddlesticks."

One Jesuit involved in the film commented, "It's a spectacular that is carried by special effects, not by any real or any moral message."

There is a prevailing feeling among theologians that the devil does not exist. They contend that the actions characterized as those of demonic possession result in no more than the human tendency toward sin.

Some psychiatrists do, however, consider demonic possession as a possibility. As one psychoanalyst stated, "there are things so minimally understood that almost anything's possible."

It is precisely this ambiguity surrounding the topics of the occult and satanism that arouses the curiosity and interest in the book which has sold over nine million copies (\$1.75 a copy) so far.



Blatty and Blair: "the devil made them do it" [Newsweek]

William Blatty points out that his book is trying to "offer the possibility that there is a supernatural force of evil in the universe whose game plan is to convince us that he does not exist."

Some critics comment that the devil having residence in a person so close to a Jesuit university is contradictory to that theme.

The "Christian Century" and Catholic "Sunday Visitor" denounced the film as "hard-core pornography" with "X-rated language." (Neither seem to grasp the seurrility of the devil.) The "Visitor" comments that anyone's faith in God hasn't increased as a result of the movie.

Their views are further expressed by Jesuit J. Cortes who said that the devil was the victor in "The Exorcist."

Blatty says that he might amend the end of the movie soon to make God more of the victor.

One person who saw the film said "... it made me want to go to church and pray. ..."

The "Sunday Visitor" has rated it "unobjectionable for adults, with reservations."

BASED ON TRUE STORY

Blatty based his book on the actual story of a 14-year old boy in 1949 who was possessed. The boy lived a few blocks from the Jesuit Georgetown University where Blatty was a student. The author comments that the "Exorcist" is similar to that occurrence but the parts concerning the masturbation with the crucifix were added.

In the movie, Linda Blair, who is 13 years of age, plays a sweet and amiable 12-year old girl who finds pleasure in "ouija" boards and a fictitious character named, "Captain Howdy" who she constantly talks to. She is afflicted with violent spasms, mysterious sounds, and strange movements of her bedroom furniture.

Her mother, Mrs. McNeil, is an actress making a movie at Georgetown University who finds Regan's obsession with Captain Howdy and moodiness quite distressing.

Regan is examined by physicians and psycholanal ists who in their failure to cure her recommend an exorcism to rid her of the demon.

Mrs. McNeil refers to Father Danien Karras, a Jesuit psychiatrist of faltering faith. He flatly refuses. Karras obtains Father Merrin who almost died doing a former exorcism and dies of a heart attack while nearing success in Regan's exorcism. This leaves Father Karras, who has been assisting Merrin, with the job.

The possessed Regan, mutilated and uglified with warts and swollen eyes, hisses and vomits at the priests. She yells obscenities with her raspy voice and in the most sickening scene masturbates with a crucifix.

Father Karras continues to recite the Roman Ritual and in an over dramatic act of faith and unselfishness, invites the demon to take him; and takes a suicidal leap from the window.

NEXT ISSUE: The Devil and Satanism

"FANTASTIC PLANET" TOPS "YELLOW SUBMARINE"

By Jessie Crosson

Everyone who has seen the Beatles' "Yellow Submarine" remembers the film's vivid animation. Color, movement and sound blended to form an utterly

alien fantasy world.

"Fantastic Planet", a brilliant new animated film from Czechoslovakia, surpasses "Yellow Submarine" in both beauty and creativity. "Yellow Submarine" exploited visual tricks for effects. "Fantastic Planet", by contrast, is an animated film masterpiece.

The unreal beauty of the animation makes the film a fantasy, although its plot is science fiction. Human settlers are trying to survive on a hostile planet inhabited by huge blue-skinned humanoids. To these giant beings, humans are the size of beetles.

The "Drogs", as the giants are called, spend most of their lives in meditation. They use teleportation routinely. Humans are so mentally inferior that the Drogs treat them as animals—not cruelly, but as you or I would treat wild mice.

Some humans are kept as pets for Drogs children. Others escape periodic extermination to lead a bleak, primitive existence as savage hunters.

The film's hero, a domesticated human named Terr, is the pet of a gentle Drogs girl who teaches him to read. One day Terr runs away,

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taking a stolen Drogs teaching machine. He joins the savage humans and teaches them to read and to build simple machines.

With Terr's aid the humans gradually rebuild a civilization. The Drogs become alarmed when the humans evade extermination and actually kill a Drogs who tries to trample them. Some Drogs begin a massive "de-homization" campaign.

But a colony of humans, escaping the carnage in a newly-built rocket, land on the planet's satellite, called the "Fantastic Planet." This moon is the Drogs' mating place, and the humans' rocket accidentally kills many Drogs. Both Drogs and humans at last cease fighting from necessity, and learn to coexist as equals.

This simple tale is satisfying enough, but the planet's eerie beauty transforms it into a work of art. The film is composed of many short sequences, some of such unearthly grotesqueness or beauty that they become etched into one's mind. It's useless to attempt a description of these scenes; I can only urge the reader to see "Fantastic Planet" for himself someday.

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Eagles Sweep Sectional; Drop Regional

FINISH AT 20-4

by Scott Brennan

Winning the South Bend regional is a feat in itself. But so is beating a team by 1 point in the afternoon game and then come back five hours later to upset the tournament favorite.

Such is the case for Coach Virgil Sweet's Valparaiso Vikings who head for the Lafayette Semi-State boasting a 16-9 record.

The Eagles bow out with a sparkling 20-4 mark.

For Adams, the 71-63 setback was the last spark of a fire that roared with wins over LaSalle, Washington, Mishawaka, and finally Michigan City Elston.

After blowing City's Red Devils off the court with a commanding 75-56 verdict, all systems seemed go after watching Valparaiso edge North Judson 55-54.

But canning 27 of 38 free throws proved dominant even though Adams outscored Valpo 56-44 from the floor.

After a 42-28 first half, the Eagles scored 20 points to Valparaiso's 8 in third quarter action.

Forty-eight seconds later a tip in by Glen Sudhop gave Adams a 52-51 lead. Valpo answered with nine straight points without a return to put the icing on the cake.

The Vikings face Lebanon (22-2) in the afternoon game, then play

the winner of Lafayette Jefferson (20-4) and Gary West (24-2).

Another successful basketball season has come to a close.

Sporting one of the tallest teams in the state, Dave Hadaway's Eagles collected 20 wins in two dozen contests.

Finishing among the top 32 teams in the state tournament, Adams leaves behind only 1 graduating senior from the starting five.

Filling the vacated shoes of 6'6" Darryl Ashby is a tough task that will be undertaken by a star-studded reserve unit.

It was only 3 weeks ago after dropping a double overtime loss to Penn that the hopes of another sectional championship looked dim.

Drawing the toughest competition out of a field of 8 schools, the Eagles opened against LaSalle then played the winner of the Riley-Washington game.

While Mishawaka, in the lower bracket, faced it's toughest competition against St. Joe, who posted a 10-10 mark.

The Saturday night showdown of 2 of the state's top 5 teams is now victorious history after a tough 61-57 decision.

Hoosier Hysteria comes to a close a little earlier than last year. But with this year's experience and next year's talent, another trip to Bloomington is just around the corner.

SEAGALS REMAIN UNDEFEATED

by Abby Smith

Seniors Missy Lowe, Jenny Kreisle, Sue Busch, Kathy Komora, Abby Smith, and Joan Doetch have gone through four years of swimming and never lost a meet. The girls are working hard in order to win a state meet for the third consecutive title.

The Seagals have had little competition so far, but on March 23 girls from all over the state will compete for the state title. All of these girls will keep their eye peeled for the red and blue. In their minds Seagals are the ones to beat.

Recently, the Seagals ran over Mishawaka, 73-46, and Culver

78-44, improving team depth and extending their dual meet record to 63-0 over their existence as an Adams team.

Coach Shirley Calum has put together two strong relays. Hoping to qualify at least two girls in most individual events should give the team confidence.

Within the last five months these girls have put in many hours of hard work. We can also learn a lesson from these girls as we can from many different students and faculty here at John Adams. Please come and support this fine group of girls.

FEMALE GYMNASTS OUTSTANDING

by Barb Keith

The John Adams girls' exercise.

gymnasts continued their winning season with three more victories in the past two weeks. This brings their season record to an impressive 6-2 tally this year.

Adams hosted a small but tough Concord team in a close potential meet, as Lynn Christian led the honors with a first in both unevens and vaulting. Becky Hentz grabbed a third on floor exercise as Bridget Baran won the blue ribbon on balance beam.

The Eagle gymnasts traveled to Jintown for another victory against a top competitor. Without taking any first place honors, the Eagles nevertheless gained the victory with several second and third place winners, among them, Becky Hentz, with a third on floor body.

Once again demonstrating their great depth, the Eagles won a triple meet, defeating both Wawasee and DeKalb. On the beginning level, Lynn Jaicomo took a second on unevens, which Bridget Baran won on the intermediate level. Kathy Chavez and Sue Ditsch won first and third places, respectively, on floor exercise. With these victories on the beginners and intermediate levels, a poor showing on the optional level was balanced out to take the over-all honors.

With an impressive record so far this year and difficult future meets coming up, the Poewomen hope for much more support and enthusiasm from the Adams student body.

Adams #1 in all-sports race

On the strength of a fantastic winter sports season, Adams has captured the lead in the NIC All-Sports competition. Springing into a 7.75 point lead, Adams will count on successful spring teams to hold on to that lead.

Adams has 186.50 points, besting LaPorte and Mishawaka,

our closest challengers. First victories in basketball, and wrestling, combined second in tennis and finishes in football cat or kitten. Please contact country, have provide margin. Golf, base will be the sports Scramer in mint race will be tight Call 232-1684.

Mihail hopes for track changes

by Mark Norman

Hoping that 9 will be a lucky number, new track coach Andy Mihail will open his ninth season as a head track coach. A 1960 graduate of Adams, he plans to change track philosophy at his alma mater and return track teams to their past glories.

Using his coaching experiences at Riley, Goshen, and North Miami, Mihail hopes to rebuild a track program that has faltered in recent years. He bases most of his plans on a change in track-sports

philosophy. "Track is a sport where you can take skills necessary for other sports and use those basic skills," is one of his pet quotes.

Mihail would like to see athletes who participate in fall and winter sports go out for track, permitting them to improve their basic skills, while building a winning track team. "The problem at Adams in track has not been a lack of talent, just a lack of kids trying out," according to Mihail. He hopes to encourage a larger turnout (30 to 40 at present) by talking with

prospective cindermen, recruiting athletes in other sports, and hoping the "good word" will spread.

Changes in workouts and an improvement in field events are initial changes for Adams' team. Most of all is an atmosphere of "togetherness" that Coach Mihail emphasized in a recent interview. "We want to win the All-Sports trophy, get many kids to come out, and have a good time winning."

For those who like that idea, see Mr. Mihail and check him out yourself.

Poemen Send Driver to Finals

The John Adams Men's Gymnastics team closed out its season at the Sectionals which took place at Concord High School March 2. In Sectional competition the top 4 finishers in each event plus the top 4 all-arounds advance to state level competition which

was held this year at Warren Central High School in Indianapolis on March 9.

The only qualifier for state competition this year was Sophomore Marco Driver on long horse vault. Marco tied for fourth on vault with Dan Linder of Crown

Point.

Marco finished ninth out of 16 vaulters.

by Dave Weisman



You'll find a new face in our store the next time you're in. His name is Layback. We don't know too much about him yet, but he always seems to find himself in a revolting predicament. He has aspirations of becoming a salesman but he accepted our offer of pin and lint picker.



His attempts at salesmanship found him trying to fit a suma wrestler with jeans in a size 59" waist and a 12" inseam.



His latest attempt matched his wits against a lumberjack demanding a black and red checked wool shirt.



Not much later he got hit by the Roller Derby Queen inquiring about shoes ... the kind without wheels.

You can follow these and many other episodes in the life of Layback on WRBR-FM and WTRC radio. We hope you accept him as we did ... a bungler!

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