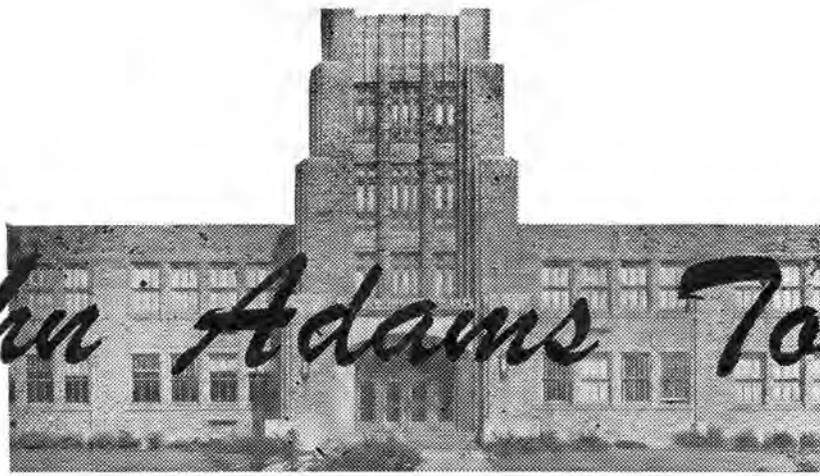


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Twenty-one Ushers Receive Awards

Each time a member of the Ushers Club participates in an ushers club activity he is given one merit. When a member has accumulated twenty merits he is awarded the first chevron. For forty merits he receives the second chevron and when he has a total of seventy merits he will be awarded the ushers club gold pin. One hundred merits entitles an usher to receive a second gold pin and after one hundred forty merits he is eligible to receive the ushers club gold pin set with jewels at the time of graduation.

Twenty-one members of the John Adams High School Ushers Club received awards last semester. Jack Venderly, Michael LeBurkin, Larry Barton, Richard Bast, Eddie Edwards, and Richard Bare received their first chevrons at the close of the first semester. Robert Harbin was awarded the second chevron. Gold pin awards went to Donald Eberly, Michael Grundy, Thomas Hauguel, Jack Inks, Thomas Smith, Bruce Stickley, Charles Wintz, and William Waechter. A second gold pin was presented to R. David Stouffer, Michael Wood, and David Eberly. Three members of the class of 1953 are eligible to receive the jeweled pin when they graduate next June. These ushers are Robert Beale, Joseph Vargo, and Richard Wallace.

RECORDING MADE

A tape recording of an incident in the life of William Makepeace Thackeray was prepared by students of Mrs. McClure's Public Speaking class for use over station WHOT.

Nancy Hertel, Marilyn Hoffmann, Edward Struck, Larry Spradlin, Floyd Troub, Barbara Koto, and Janice Schwier were participants in preparing the recording.

Miss Becky Anton, student teacher for Mrs. McClure, directed the group. Mr. Galon Miller of the School City Visual Education Department was responsible for making the recording.

STUDENTS LEAVING

Seven students from the 12A class have qualified for graduation and will not be back with us next semester. Those leaving are Lewis Asire, William Buckles, Hans Ditsch, Joan Eveld, Helen Garner, Douglas King, and Shirley Lee.

SENIORS

State Scholarship Exams are to be taken January 30 in the Little Theatre from 8:30 to 11:30.

Adams Students to Appear on WSBT-TV; Glee Club Sells Tickets for Concert

On Sunday, January 25, seventeen members of the John Adams Glee Club will sing in a sixty-eight voice choir made up of small groups from the South Bend high school Glee Clubs. The choir will meet at the Notre Dame Drill Hall where the concert will be televised over the new WSBT-TV station.

The St. Olaf Choir from St. Olaf's College of Northfield, Minnesota, will appear in South Bend on Tuesday, February 3 at 8:00 p.m. The choir, on a nationwide tour, will be directed by Olaf Christiansen, the son of Dr. Melius Christiansen, founder and former director of the well-known St. Olaf choir. Olaf Christiansen has been

in South Bend in previous years to direct the combined high school choir which has sung for the North Central Teachers' Association. He will direct this group in South Bend again next fall.

Three hundred twenty-five student tickets at 65 cents apiece and seventy-five adult tickets for the February 3 concert at \$1.35 have been distributed among members of the Glee Club and may now be purchased from them. As an incentive for selling tickets, a contest has been organized with the Glee Club divided into two selling teams, one led by Jean Woolverton and Tom McNulty and the other by Pat Holland and Robert Bock.

CLARK PLACES IN SPEECH CONTESTS

The St. Joseph Valley Forensic League held a Symposium (round table discussion) at Central High School on January 14. The schools represented at this meeting were Adams, Mishawaka, Central, Riley, LaPorte, Howe Military Academy, and Nappanee. Students from each of these schools discussed the question, "What form of international organization should the United States support?" Coaches from the St. Joseph Valley Forensic League chose the students whom they thought to be the best discussants. Adams' William Clark won the Blue Ribbon for first place. Dale Lewis from LaPorte took second place.

The Extemporaneous Speech Contest was held at Mishawaka High School on December 18. William Clark won second place for John Adams in that event.

Name Cards and Announcements Ordered

Following a senior cabinet meeting recently, committees have been at work selling name cards and graduation announcements in the senior home rooms.

The committee responsible for the sale of name cards are: Dick Sanderson, chairman; 101, Mary Allen; 102, Dale Gibson; 107, Dave Jones; 210, Jill Jacobson; 207, James Van Horne.

Students taking orders for graduation announcements in the home rooms are: 107, Joe Kreitzman, chairman; 101, Shirley Bull, 207, James Worley; 102, Pat Grant; 210, Jill Jacobson.

New Students to be Welcomed in Assembly

This morning at 9:30 a.m. in the Auditorium there will be a welcoming assembly for the new students coming to Adams from the feeder schools, sponsored by the Student Council and the TOWER.

Dick Shaw, president of the Student Council, will preside and after welcoming greetings will introduce Luce Williams, editor of the TOWER, who will explain extra-curricular opportunities at Adams.

Following the assembly the members of the Student Council will take groups of ten new students on a tour of the building to meet the faculty and to acquaint them with the layout of the building.

Hi-Y Sponsors Dance

The Snow-Shuffle, a sport dance, sponsored by the Hi-Y will be held tonight in the Little Theatre immediately following the LaPorte game. The dance is open to all students who attend the game. Tickets will be sold at the door.

James Dincolo is general chairman. He is being assisted by Gordon Smith, who is in charge of music; Mike LeBurkin, chairman of the decorations committee, is being assisted by Dennis Britton and Lloyd Gearhart. The advertising committee is composed of Tom Haugel, chairman, Lloyd Gearhart and David and Donald Eberly. Refreshments are being arranged for by Mike LeBurkin and David Jester, and Richard Wallace; and tickets will be sold by David Jester and Dennis Britton.

Room Changes Begin With New Semester

During the change between semesters, a plan will be executed in which each department, in most cases, will be given its own section of the building.

The English department will use the following rooms: 101, 102, 103, 105, 107, 108, and 201. The rooms will be assigned so that the freshman English, junior, and senior will be together respectively. Miss Farner, Mr. Hunter, Mrs. Tash, and a new teacher, Mr. Kaepler, will have different rooms.

The mathematics department will be housed in the new addition using rooms 112, 113, and 114. Mr. Wier, Mr. Nelson, and Mr. Seaborg will occupy them. The rooms are adapted especially for mathematics.

Social studies will be taught in 109, 111, and 210. Mr. Neff will move to 111 and Miss Bauer to 210.

Foreign language classes will be located in the new addition. Miss Law will occupy 213, Miss Kaczmarek 215, and Mrs. Knebel 214.

Biology rooms will be 208 and 212 with Mr. Martin, a new teacher, in 212, Mr. Litweiler in 208.

In the shop department, industrial arts has been divided into two groups. Machine shop, printing, and general metals are in 104. Woodworking, and arts and crafts are in 104A, the old drafting room which has been remodeled for its specific use.

WABASH OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS

Twenty Honor Scholarships, valued at \$40,000, will be offered by Wabash College to high school senior men in competitive examinations April 7 and 8.

Wabash, a liberal arts school for men, will give five scholarships providing \$1,000 a year for four years, five providing \$500 a year, and ten providing \$250 a year.

These scholarships will be awarded on the basis of two days of written examinations and personal interviews.

All candidates will be examined in English, elementary algebra and plane geometry, laboratory science, and history. Contestants may choose the branch of science (chemistry, biology, physics) and history (ancient, world, or United States) in which they wish to be examined.

EAGLES OF THE WEEK

Roger Jacob Jurgovan, president of the senior class, was born on September 15, 1935. He attended Jefferson and Nuner before coming to Adams. Roger has been a member of the Student Council since his sophomore year and has served on the council's committee for choosing the queen of the Riley-Adams basketball game. Roger, who is 5' 11" and weighs 145 pounds, tells that his hair is auburn brown, with a streak of chestnut. He is also captain of the swimming team, a participant in intramural basketball, and a member of the monogram club. He received his letters in cross-country and track.

While at Adams, Roger has majored in the fields of English, Spanish and Math, the last is his favorite because he is interested in figures. He plans to attend Purdue University to work for a degree in Engineering. In his spare time Roger finds time to usher at his church, Redeemer Lutheran, and to fish, to hunt, and to listen to popular music. He likes to hear the music of Tony Bennett and Ralph Martierre, and especially enjoys "September Song."

Roger admires people who are sincere, honest, agreeable, and sociable, and doesn't care for those who are shy. Like most of the male contingent, he enjoys seeing a girl in a bathing suit; however, he will settle for an edition in a navy skirt and pale blue sweater, and with a short, close hair style. He thinks the ideal male should wear grey flannels, navy sweater, cordovans, and argyles. Those who want to stay on Roger's good side will avoid saying "yup" for that is the one word he does not like at all. However, he can be appeased by food, so long as it's digestible. Roger regrets leaving Adams, the friends he's made here, and the general friendliness of the place.

IDEAL FINAL EXAM

- Who discovered America?
- With what sport do you associate a tennis ball?
- Who is buried in Grant's tomb?
- What do you mix with water to get soap suds?
- What fruit do you use to make orange juice?
- Who was the first president of this country?
- What is an umbrella used for?
- Where do fish live?
- What is used to percolate coffee?
- What animal flies?

Richard Shaw, president of the Student Council, was born on October 25, 1935. A former student of Jefferson, Dick has hazel eyes, light brown hair, is 5' 11" tall, and weighs 165 pounds. In his first two years at Adams he was a member of the glee club, and Junior Red Cross. Besides being president of the Student Council, Dick is a member of the Monogram club. He has participated in track and won a monogram in football. Dick received the Kiwanis award for football in the fall of 1952.

Dick has followed a pre-college course at Adams, with majors in English, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. At this time he feels that his favorite class is English VII. Typing I brings back memories of a different sort than those one usually cherishes. Dick is planning to attend Wabash College after graduation. He has tentatively decided to do graduate work in theology and may choose the ministry as his life work.

Dick likes to keep his friends preoccupied by talking. He is a member of the Youth Fellowship at Sunnyside Presbyterian church, and enjoys all sports, especially tennis. He enjoys people who are quietly brilliant and able to keep up an intelligent conversation. He doesn't care for persons who base their self-evaluation on being "rods." Dick didn't disclose the length of his list of dislikes, but he places gossips and slack-clad girls at the top. He likes to see girls dressed in sweaters and skirts and fellows in sport shirts and slacks.

TRUE AND FALSE

- A doorknob is on a door. -----
- Adams is a school. -----
- A dog is a plant. -----
- A snake flies. -----
- A picture window is hung on a wall. -----
- H₂O is water. -----
- A deep freeze is cold. -----
- France is a nation. -----
- Milk comes from a pig. -----
- Betty Grable is fat. -----

—Hughes Gargoyle, Cincinnati.

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Bill Reinecke also went to the prom — with **Betty Clark**. Could it be that his wink has captivated a freshman, as well as certain of the senior girls?

It's always darkest before the dawn. Our newest, most unexpected steady pair, **Marianne Reish** and **Sonny Stone**, can tell you all about it.



What do you like best about your job as:

Senior Class President—**Roger Jurgovan**—"The honor of being chosen by the senior class to be president."

Junior Class President—**Bill Blue**—"I can't put my finger on it, but I sure do like it!"

Captain of Football Team—**Chet Bussert**—"I can't think of anything."

President of Monogram Club—**Joe Kreitzman**—"Meeting a lot of people."

President of Library Club—**Thelma Demler**—"The company I keep."

President of Glee Club—**Tom McNulty**—"I'm grateful for the training in how to present and deal with problems."

Album Editor—**Mary Agnes Gingrich**—"I've enjoyed having everyone ask me when the underclass pictures would come in."

President of Jr. Red Cross—**Jo Swingendorf**—"Golly!!!!"

President of Y-Teens—**Rosie Brooks**—"I am in a position to help and watch Y-Teens grow."

Tower Editor—**Luce Williams**—"Not having to write editorials."

President of Jr. Waltons—**Jim Dincolo**—"The work is interesting, educational, and it's all a lot of fun."

Senior (to photographer): "I don't like these photographs. They don't do me justice."

Photographer: "Justice? You don't want justice, you want mercy."

PERFECT INDIVIDUAL

People have always been of interest to me. I sometimes find myself thinking of what the ideal character of a person might be.

I would like to know a person who is proud but not too proud; jealous, but not insanely so; ambitious and capable of true love for his fellowman without the veneer of false pretense.

I know that searching for a perfect individual would be foolish because man is not made in this way. But just think of the Utopia the earth could be if it were filled with people who would consider their God, their society, and their country before acting.

—Greta Grayson.

WHAT WOULD ADAMS DO WITHOUT

- Sonja Hoover's social urges.
- Phyllis Anderson's flightiness.
- Jim Worley's temper.
- Bob Shula's comments in History.
- Mr. Carroll's "and the like."
- Mrs. Carmichael's gym exercises.
- Norm Asper's coronet at pep assembly.
- Carolee Smith's mirror.
- Mike LeBurkin's unused Tower articles.
- Dave Engle's sense of humor.
- Dale Gibson's facial expression when he sings.
- Dick Sanderson's slouch.
- Ed Quinn's comic books.
- Mr. Laiber's hall pass.
- Dick Sessler's "if you're lucky."
- Pat Moynihan's "goodies" in History.

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EAGLES DROP TILT TO BEARS

The Adams Eagles dropped a 57-52 decision to the Central Bears as their desperate last half rally fell short.

Midway in the third period, with the Bears leading 37-23, Adams started a rally which was to tie the score at 48 all late in the fourth quarter. Jerry Thompson, Larry Kedsize, Jim Van Horne, Tom Goldsberry, and Larry Van Dusen combined to lead the Eagle assault on the Bear edge which dwindled until the above mentioned tie.

Central grabbed its first lead midway in the first period mainly on the efforts of Paul Harvey, who sparked the Bears in the first half. The Bears lead at end of the quarter by a score of 17-12.

The Eagles settled down a little bit in the second frame as they cut the Bear lead one point to 26-22. Larry Kedzie swished a long set shot as the half ended to give the Eagles their twenty-second point.

Early in the third period Central moved to their 14 point lead behind the red-hot shooting of Tom Schafer, but the never say die Adams "quint" took off in hot pursuit. The Eagles started moving and had pulled to within five points of the Bears at 44-39 when the quarter ended.

In the fourth quarter Adams continued to pull closer as Central had trouble finding the range. The Eagles finally tied the score at 48 all, but a basket and four free throws moved the Bears into the lead to stay at 54-48 with less than a minute to go. Adams fought back again with a lay-in and a push shot, but this last rally fell short as the Eagles failed to get the ball again. The Bears got a basket and a free throw in the final margin.

Larry Kedzie led the Eagle scoring with 19 points while Jerry helped him out with 16.

"B" Team Wins Two Words with Wallace

Central

In the Adams-Mishawaka "B" game, both teams started very slow, with the Eagles picking up steam toward the end of the first quarter to lead 7 to 4. The Eagle "Bees" started with a terrific bang to grab a 12 to 6 lead, and kept up the pace throughout the quarter to lead 19 to 9 at intermission.

The third quarter practically sewed up the game for us when the Eagles again picked up two more than Central as they led 27 to 15 at the end of the ¾ mark. Adams increased their lead to 36 to 16 before Central came to life, and in the remaining two minutes, they pumped in seven points while we were securing only two. The final score was 38 to 23. Dick Green led the Adams attack with 11 points.

Mishawaka

In a fast moving game the Adams B-team gained revenge against the Mishawaka "B's" for a previous loss with a 59-47 win over the Maroons. The game started fast and continued the same way. Tom Winship led the Eagles with 14 points, but three other Adams players also scored more than 10. They were: Dick Green with 13, Tom Troeger with 11, and Bob Klowetter with 10.

"Frosh" Basketball

The freshmen "B" team won their third game at the expense of the LaPorte "frosh" 39-27. LaPorte led at the half, but the Eagles came back strong to win easily. The high point men for the Adams "frosh" were Paul Edgerton and John Robbins with 12 points each.

Thanks are in order to Don Pearson, Sonny Stone, Hubert Goodin, John Steinmetz, Larry Mooren, Jim Kemble, Tom Olshewsky, Phil DeLong, and the other members of the B-team for the tremendous backing they gave the Varsity during the game at Warsaw. They gave the Warsaw cheering section of some 250 students some real competition. Too bad some of the Adams students feel it is beneath their dignity to yell.

Do you know what the fastest engineless sport is? Here's a clue: You can reach a speed of 142 miles per hour in this sport without motors. Look for the answer on page 2 of the Scholastic Roto included in today's TOWER.

When you go to the LaPorte game tonight take a good look at our B-team because they're going to make up a good share of the Adams Varsity next year. Only four members of this year's varsity, Thompson, Goldsberry, Rice, and VanDusen will be back next year so at least six members of the B-team will be on next year's varsity.

The biggest feather in this year's B-team cap is of course their defeat of the highly regarded Indianapolis Howe B-team. Howe, unbeaten as freshmen and sophomores going into the Adams game, met defeat by the lop-sided score of 44 to 31.

Going into tonight's game with LaPorte the Eagles will boast a 63 point offensive average and a 51.9 defensive average in twelve games. Thus far the Varsity has run 9 laps while Coach Seaborg has been on the running end 142 times.

LATEST INTRAMURAL STANDINGS REPORTED

On Monday, January 19, Berta defeated Halterman 29-22 to throw the intramural race into a three-way tie for first. Dyszkiewicz also joined the select group with a 44-30 victory over Quinn. In the Berta-Halterman game Ziegner led the winners with 10 points while Penk got 8 for the losers. Dyszkiewicz picked up 13 in his game while Butler got 13 for Quinn. The three teams are tied with 4 wins and 1 loss each.

In other games Jones defeated McCallister 23-21 and Hawblitzel edged Finch 21-19. Loar led the winners in the Zones game with 10 points while Flanagan scored 6 for the losers. Hawblitzel led his team with 9, as did Finch in their game. Top scorers in the league, including this week's game, are as follows:

	B	F	T
Halterman	23	16	62
Quinn	21	6	48
Butler	15	17	47
Beale	20	4	44
Ziegner	19	5	43
Hawblitzel	16	4	36
Dyszkiewicz	16	4	36
Berta	10	13	33
Jones	13	6	32
Finch	10	8	28
Hartz	12	3	27
McCallister	8	11	27

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