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## Hans Bohlman Speaks To Student Body

"Not to be understood, but to understand," was the main theme of a speech given May 13 by Hans Bohlman. An exchange student from Germany, Hans was one of 340 European students chosen from the 10,000 interviewed to come to America for a year. The American Field Service has sponsored his visit.

Hans came here to learn to understand our customs and way of life. Some of the difficulties he has had to face are: learning to speak "American" English, remembering his classmates' names (he reported that Bob or Tom usually did the trick), and homework.

According to his talk, his first pep assembly was quite an experience. Hans also emphasized the friendliness and co-operative spirit found among the boys out for sports here at Adams.

Our exchange student told the assembly that he was going to relate to his German friends how helpful, friendly and polite Adams students are. He said that he hoped his visit would help further the goal of world peace.

## Roell, Kenady, and Wood Attend Tribune Dinner

Twenty-four students and five faculty advisers, including Nancy Kenady, Marilyn Wood, and Miss Florence Roell attended the Tribune's annual High School Page Dinner in the Coral Room of the Hotel LaSalle last Tuesday evening.

Bob Houser, news director of WSBT and WSBT-TV, was master of ceremonies. He presented George E. Canright, Tribune high school page editor who told the students he had enjoyed working with them and that he will hate to see them leave. Franklin D. Schurz, Tribune secretary-treasurer; Paul E. Neville, managing editor, and John F. Carroll, city editor, also spoke to the students about the fine work they have done.

The final touch to the program came with the awarding of the first Tribune awards for outstanding reporting to the page. Judith Mellow, Central High School, Diane Pollock, Riley High School, and Regina Buzolits, St. Mary's Academy received certificates reading, "The South Bend Tribune 1953 High School Page Award for Outstanding Reporting."

The May 24 issue of the Tribune will carry the last high school page until school reopens in September.

## THE 1953-54 TOWER STAFF



This issue was prepared by next year's TOWER staff while the Seniors are industriously working on the Senior Issue. The new staff is pictured above, left to right: Pat Bourdon, advertising manager; Beverly Verduin, circulation manager; Jana Borecky, exchange manager; Myrna Cordtz, editor-in-chief; John Pence, sports editor; Janet Burke, feature editor; Phyllis Martin, business manager. Miss Roell will continue as faculty adviser.

The Senior Issue will be the final edition for this school year and will be distributed immediately following the Awards Assembly on May 27. Single copies will be on sale in the halls for non-subscribers.

## CRUMPACKER SEEKS ACADEMY CANDIDATES

A competitive examination to fill two vacancies, at West Point and one at Annapolis will be held in South Bend on Monday, July 13, as announced May 13 by Congressman Shepard J. Crumpacker.

Candidates must have completed high school and be at least 17 years old by July 1, 1954. They must be physically qualified and be legal residents of the Third District. Applications should be addressed to Congressman Shepard J. Crumpacker, 352 House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C. Applications will be received until July 1.

## TB OFFICERS ELECTED

At the annual meeting of the Junior Board of the St. Joseph County Tuberculosis League held Thursday, May 7, new officers were elected. Robert Walcott, a junior at John Adams, was elected vice-president of the Board. The other officers are: Michael Ledden, Central High School, president; Nancy Kleinrichter, Washington-Clay High School, secretary-treasurer; Jerome Kacierzask, Washington High School, corresponding secretary. The new officers gave reports of last year's activities and were luncheon guests of the board of directors of the league.

## Beale, Jurgovan to Attend Purdue Camp

Robert Beale and Roger Jurgovan have been selected to attend Purdue's fourth annual Freshman Leadership Camp, which will be held September 11, 12, and 13. This camp is designed to help outstanding high school graduates, who plan to attend Purdue, in the development of their leadership abilities while on the campus.

The camp is held at Ross Civil Engineering Camp near Lafayette. Since facilities are limited to approximately one hundred, it was necessary to select the participating students on the basis of nominations made by the high school principals.

## Waltonians Have Dance

On May 23, the Junior Walton League of John Adams will hold a square dance at the Isaac Walton League Club House from 7:30 to 10:30. Members and their guests will be directed in the dance by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Barnes, callers. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Litweiler will chaperone.

Officers of the club, James Dincolo, president; Janet Golba, vice-president; Mike LeBurkien, secretary; and Marily Hoffman, treasurer are in charge of the dance. Refreshments will be provided by the executive committee.

## Baccalaureate to Be Held Sunday, May 24

Baccalaureate will take place on Sunday, May 24, in the John Adams Auditorium. Rev. Almond Coble, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Church, will be guest speaker and Rev. James H. Ellerbrook, pastor of the Indiana Avenue Christian Church will give the invocation. Music will be provided by combined ensembles from the four city high school glee clubs with Miss Ruby Guilliams of Riley and Mrs. Lawrence T. Pate directing. The group from Adams numbers 54 and includes all the senior members. Practice for this was held Wednesday evening, May 20.

The seniors will assemble with their school group in the following meeting places: Adams, first floor corridor between 106 and the library; Central, first floor corridor between the library and 109; Riley, first floor Northeast corridor between 110 and 114; Washington, facing east on second floor Northeast corridor between 212 and 215.

## TRY-OUTS SCHEDULED FOR COMING TUESDAY

"The Imaginary Invalid" by Molier, has been chosen to be the fall dramatic production of the Drama Club. Try-outs will be held Tuesday, May 26, in the Little Theatre at 3:20 p. m. The try-outs will be open to the entire Adams student body. The play will be given Thursday, September 24 and will be under the direction of Mr. James Lewis Cassidy. Miss Gwendolyn Kaczmarek is the production coordinator.



- May 22—Dramatics Class Assembly, 8:25 a. m.  
Album Dance, 8:00 p. m.
- May 23—State Track Meet.  
State Golf Meet.  
Jr. Walton League, Club Party.
- May 24—Baccalaureate, 4:00 p. m., Auditorium.
- May 26—Senior Exams, Afternoon Classes.
- May 27—Track-City Outdoor.  
Senior Exams, Afternoon Classes.  
Senior Awards Assembly, 1:30 p. m., Auditorium.  
Senior Punch, 3:15 p. m.
- May 28—Spring Sports Awards Assembly, 8:25 a. m.

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## WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

This spring, I was honored with the responsibility of the editorship of the TOWER. I had worked for four semesters on the TOWER staff, but had never written for the TOWER; therefore, the appointment came as a surprise to me.

I realize that the editor's job will not be an easy one, that it will take a lot of hard work on my part. I have had to learn how to plot ads, count lines, make news assignments, arrange news and feature articles, and to write headlines. I have touched only the surface of learning the editor's job in the past six weeks, and the further on I go, the more I find I have to learn.

The successful publication of the TOWER will take the full cooperation of the editor, her staff, our faculty, and the student body of John Adams. This is your paper; I am your editor.

—Myrna Cordtz.

It isn't often that a person is so fortunate as to have the opportunity to be in charge of the department in which she has worked very happily over a period of months. Since I now find myself in that position, I am looking forward to a most enjoyable year as feature editor of your paper. While I appreciate the honor extended me, I realize the position is one of responsibility and one that will require endless patience and hard work.

We, of the feature department, feel that ours is the spice, the fun, and human interest element of the paper. We intend to explore these possibilities to their limits. I have the new staff-member's usual high hopes and starry-eyed expectations. Some of these will prove workable; others will never materialize, for one reason or another.

Ours is a student paper and as such it is a reflection of the students' wishes in content and make-up. We urge your whole-hearted cooperation and understanding.

I hope that the pleasant personal relationship among the members of the new staff will be reflected in an enjoyable paper, one that will be a credit to the best traditions of the John Adams TOWER.

—Janet Burke.

Unlike Myrna and Janet, my appointment as sports editor came as no surprise to me because I have had the privilege of working with Dick Wallace this past semester. The many details I have learned from him will be of great importance to me next year.

The sports page will not be run by me alone. The success or failure of the fourth page is shared by sports individuals, teams, coaches, and writers. The writers will try to play fair with all individuals as well as the teams. However, the winning teams, in my estimation, should receive special recognition and a more detailed write-up. In so many words, I shall try to stick by the old saying, "To the victors belong the spoils."

Further, I shall try to preview many of the more important and popular sports events. I shall also try to fit interviews, polls, pictures, and human interest stories into the page, so as to make it appeal to everyone.

The student body should remember that the sports page will be open to constructive criticism throughout the entire year.

—John Pence.

### Et Cetera

At this time, we would publicly like to thank Miss Roell, Lucee Williams, Margaret Jamison, and Dick Wallace for their help and cooperation in getting us acquainted with our new positions.

## So, You're Looking Forward to Summer?

Well, whad 'ya know! It looks like summer's sprung, and pretty soon, too, all the little red (and any other color) school house doors will be springing shut for the last time on the '52-53 school season. Summer vacation begins, and with it comes a welcome end to the arduous task of awakening one's self five bright and shiny mornings out of every seven. (Instead, there is the equally hard task of awakening one's self five bright and shiny afternoons out of every seven.)

In accordance with the old saying, "No rest for the wicked," there is no rest for the wicked of our human species, parents, popcorn poppers, and politicians during the schools' summer vacation. They must slave from dawn to dusk for their iniquities, namely, not letting teenage offsprings have the car.

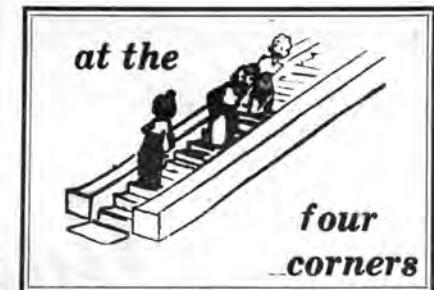
However, for those of us, janitors, teachers, and students who have never even dreamt of any sort of mischief, summer means a period of rest, recreation, and recuperation. For us, summer is the time to throw away brooms, students, and books respectively, and let the rest of the world float by. Our men teachers each night rest and relax on the sun-crowned beaches of the bath mat, after a glorious day of recreation papering haggared old walls or rejuvenating house exteriors with a healthful coat of paint. Some women teachers, outside of making themselves generally useful, use vacation time to take a trip to Europe. Others use it to catch up on their beauty sleep, so beastly stolen by nasty Old Man School Hours.

The maintenance staff also takes advantage of the ample summer vacation. Our janitors, who work themselves to the bone during the winter, throwing in a shovel-full of coal here and washing a window there see in vacation a time for relaxation and recreation. Rather than biding the time playing tennis, Little Red Riding Hood meets the Big Bad Wolf or cops and robbers like the younger, less imaginative generation, for recreation they play, Little White Janitors' Mop meets the Big Bad Dust Particle or insects and insecticides.

We students, not to be out done, use vacation as a joyful respite from early hours and studies. For us summer means a time for pestering parents, swimming, and nursing woefully sun-parched epidermi. Happy to be free from the torturesome routine of school, and glad to rest up a bit and store energy for the coming school year, we nevertheless plan gala beach parties and numerous picnics. In between minutes of skin pampering and mad dashes to this or that shindig, we try to squeeze in a few bars of dreamy music here and there for dancing, inconsiderately stuffing each self-respecting minute with 120 slightly squashed seconds.

Yes, we fear summer, the time of rest and relaxation isn't quite what it's cracked up to be. Oh, for fall and those "busy," "hectic" school days!

—Nancy MacIvor.



Hear tell that Paul Elliot is planning a career in inventing. He has a talent for making doll carriages out of paper clips. Nice work if you can get it.

Room 103 was the battle field for a skirmish between two of our "most illustrious." I am glad to report that the representative of the "fairer sex" got the last word. McClure, rah! rah! rah! McClure.

If you are wondering why Shields, Shula, and Mikesell are "hot to trot" on making a project for Latin mythology — the answer is quite simple. They are making a statue of Venus. Strange things are happening!

Motto for public speaking: Stand up; speak up; shut up!

What is Adams going to do when Saundie and V. H. leave? Good men are so hard to find.

The idea of inferring in the bulletin that the golf girls could miss and dig up a hunk of turf — why there isn't one on the whole team that doesn't shoot in the 80s. (On nine holes, of course.)

Wednesday, May 6 — 35 initiates, 35 baths, 35 shampoos.

Newcomers on the May 21 dating list: Sharon Kerner, Jim Worley; Julie Harris, Bob Bubenzer; Sandy Mortiz, Bruce Ball; Paul Linscott, Linda Heitger.

After making the rounds (Elkhart, Central) Rocky Ferraro has come back home to roost. His chicken is still Pat Grant. They were strutting along with the rest at the prom.

Speaking of the prom (and who isn't) here are some of the couples who helped make it such a tremendous success: Tom McHenry, Mary Orzech; Bob Crofts, Sally Stoops; Dick Shaw, Margaret Sue Reed; Joe Barnes, Pat Goddard; Nancy Platt, John McConnell (alumni); Shirley Bull, Bob Mortenson; Karyl Kintner, Dick Mortenson; Pat Holland, Joe McMahon (C. C.); Gingi Steinmetz, Dick Wallace; Jo Ann Koher, Dick Wedel; Mary Lou Clark, Dick Sessler; Patsy Rich, Jim Worley, Mary Ann Hawblitzel, Jim Halterman; Sharon Smith, Jack Brant; Emalu Palm, Joe Kline (N. D.); Janet Miller, Ed Quinn; and just oodles and oodles of others. A tremendous evening was had by all and it certainly couldn't have happened to a nicer senior class.

One lucky boy from Adams attended the St. Joseph Academy senior prom — it was Joe Rich. Naturally, the girl was Janet Wolfe.

Understand that Adams was very charmingly represented at the C. C. senior prom: Pat Holland, Nancy Habert, Mary Lou Getzinger, LaMar Stitzer, Sue Hawk, Jo Ann Koher, Pat Wilson and Mary Ann Hawblitzel.

Seems there's an advantage to riding in an open convertible when a birdie flies by. Ask Steve Gumz about it.



"Are you looking forward to becoming a Senior? Why?"

**John Pence** — "No! 'Cause after I graduate I think I'll have to move."

**Mary Clark** — "Yes! Be fun to look down instead of up."

**Jana Borecky** — "Yes! I don't know why."

**Pat Connolly** — "Yes! For some dumb reason."

**Doug Biggs** — "Definitely! Can live more dangerously."

**Sharon Beebe** — "Yes! So I can graduate and go to college."

**Phyllis Marlin** — "Yes! Because then I'll be a year 'dumber.'"

**Jewel Reitz** — "Yes! Because then I won't have to sit up until 12:00 studying History."

**Audrey Dempsey** — "Yes! I'll have lots of fun and less work."

## HIGH SCHOOL FORM OF LATIN ROMANCE

Each morning as I rise from bed  
I see your shining face  
The night before my visual dream  
Had viewed your female grace.

I see you as I enter school  
I see you leave at noon.  
At night I wander all alone  
Your face shines in the moon.

But when I like to see you most  
And steering from all fibs  
Is when you're flashing on my desk  
Those precious Latin cribs.

—Eddy Thompson.

**Harry Butler** — "Yes! I want to get out."

**Dick Diedrich** — "Yes! I won't be an underclassman anymore."

**Mary Ann Hawblitzel** — "Yes! Won't have to study so hard."

**Marilyn Wood** — "Yes! Because next spring I can say I don't have Spring Fever; it's just Senior-A-ititis."

## Summer Sessions Announced For High School Students

Summer school registration for high school students will be June 5, with classes beginning June 8. All pupils who plan to attend should see their counselors as soon as possible to make arrangements for attending.

Almost any subject will be offered to students if the demand is great enough to make up a class.

The fee for high school students who plan to attend summer school will be \$2.00.

## SOMORUM LATIN LOVE

Boyibus kissibus  
Swete girlorum.  
Girlibus likabus;  
Wante somorum.  
Poppalus hearibus  
Kissie boyorum;  
Kickibus boyibus  
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Boyibus badimus;  
Loudimus sworum.  
Girlibus madibus,  
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## J. THOMPSON PLACES FIRST IN REGIONALS

Jerry Thompson uncoiled a leap of six feet, two and one-half inches, to walk away from the high jumping pit with top honors in the Regional track meet at Mishawaka, May 16. The only other Eagle trackster to qualify for the state finals in Indianapolis tomorrow was Tom Olszewsky, who finished fourth in the 880-yard run. The other three men who won in the Sectionals for Adams, failed to place.

### LOSE TO GOSHEN

The John Adams tracksters journeyed to Goshen on Thursday, May 14, and lost a close meet by the score of 57 to 52.

A summary of the meet:

100-yard dash—1. Pratt (G), 2. Wedel (A), 3. Shaw (A). Time: 10.6.  
220-yard dash—1. Pratt (G), 2. Wedel (A), 3. Shaw (A). Time: 23.4.  
440-yard dash—1. Kreitzman (A), 2. Weise (G), 3. Gorauch (G). Time: 54.6.

880-yard run—1. Olszewsky (A), 2. Jurgovan (A), 3. Dillon (A). Time: 2:12.4.

Mile run—1. Oswald (G), 2. Jones (A), 3. McCahill (G). Time: 4:46.0.

120-yard high hurdles—1. Naylor (G), 2. Cross (G), 3. Bock (A). Time: 16.9.

180-yard low hurdles—1. Hoover (G), 2. Warick (G), 3. Gibson (A). Time: 22.3.

High jump—1. Thompson (A) 2. Lehman (G), 3. Personnett (A). Height: 5' 6".

Pole vault—1. Beachy (G), 2. Timothy (A), 3. Grimshaw (A). Height: 9' 6".

Shot put—1. Waltz (G), 2. Troeger (A), 3. Elliot (A). Distance: 40'.

Broad jump—1. Troeger (A), 2. Hoover (G), Thompson (A). Distance: 19' 4 3/4".

880-yard relay—1. Goshen (Smalley-Naylor-Hoover-Pratt), 2. Adams. Time: 1:36.3.

Mile relay—1. Adams (Kreitzman-Jones-Jurgovan-Olszewsky) 2. Goshen. Time 3:43.0.

## Eagles Tip Cavemen; Bow to Bears, Cats

The Adams varsity baseball team defeated Mishawaka 8-1 last week, while losing to Central 5-2, and Riley 9-1. The Mishawaka and Riley games were conference contests and left the Eagles with a conference record of 6 wins and 3 losses.

The Eagles dropped the Cavemen from a first place conference tie with their 8-1 win. Tom Goldsberry went all-the-way in posting his fifth win of the season. He struck out six, while giving up only four hits, two in the final inning when the Maroons got their lone run. Adams scored once in the first, twice in the third, three times in the fourth, and twice more in the seventh. The Eagles got nine hits including a home run by Dick Sessler.

Central worked a third time charm when they downed the Eagles 5-2 at School Field. Adams had previously defeated the Bears 15-3, and 7-4. Jim Riddle and Lynn Brown scored the Eagle runs in the third inning. The Eagles collected five hits, while Central got only four. However, control trouble by losing pitcher, Jack MacMillan was responsible for four Bear runs in the first stanza.

The Eagles suffered their third conference loss at the hands of the Riley Wildcats 9-1. Adams collected six hits, three by Jim Riddle. Riddle scored the lone Eagle run after pounding out a double in the third inning. Tom Goldsberry suffered his first loss of the season as the Wildcats got to him for four runs in the third frame. Halterman and MacMillan also hurled for the Eagles.

The Adams squad played Washington in a conference game last Tuesday, which probably decided the league championship.

## B-Team Wins Four

The "B" baseball team won four games from Friday, May 1 through Wednesday, May 13. These games were spiced by two consecutive no-hitters by John Robbins. Robbins' no-hitters were pitched against Washington of South Bend on Tuesday, May 5, and against Central of South Bend on May 13. Robbins showed complete control over his opponents as he struck out 12 against Washington and walked only two as he faced a total number of 17 batters.

Against Central he struck out nine batters, walked none, and faced only 18 batters. Three batters reached base on three errors. In the Central game not one ball was hit out of the infield. The games were both shutouts for Robbins as Adams scored four runs against Washington and two runs against Central. Also in the Washington game Robbins struck out at least two batters in every inning while striking out the sides in the fifth and the final inning.

In other games Don Severeid held Riley's "B" team to six hits as his teammates were getting sixteen to overwhelm them 18-1. Adams scored one run the first inning, six in the second inning, eight in the third inning, three in the fourth inning, and were shut out in the final.

Adams also traveled to Mishawaka, and defeated them 9-3. Bill Blue held the Cavemen to only seven hits while his teammates were getting eight. Blue struck out three and had a shut-out going until the last inning when they scored all their runs.

## Golfers Beat Niles; Defeated Twice

The John Adams golf team was nosed out by the Riley linksmen, six and one-half to eight and one-half. The match was played over the Erskine Course on Tuesday, May 12. This was Adams' second loss to Riley, however, the score shows a considerable improvement.

The golfers then journeyed to Niles for a non-conference match. With six men participating, Adams brought home a seventeen to one victory. Angus, Seach, Henson, and Horka each scored three points with respective scores of 86, 91, 92, and 97. Nace and Meehan each contributed two and one-half points with scores of 91 and 96 respectively.

On Thursday, May 14, the Eagles completed their regular season by playing host to Michigan City. They came out on the short end of a nine to six score. Point-getters for the Adams cause, were Angus and Henson two each, Seach one and one-half, and Nace with one-half point. Low man for Adams was Angus with an 83.

The Adams team finished 10th in a field of 18 in an invitational at LaPorte on Saturday, May 16.

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