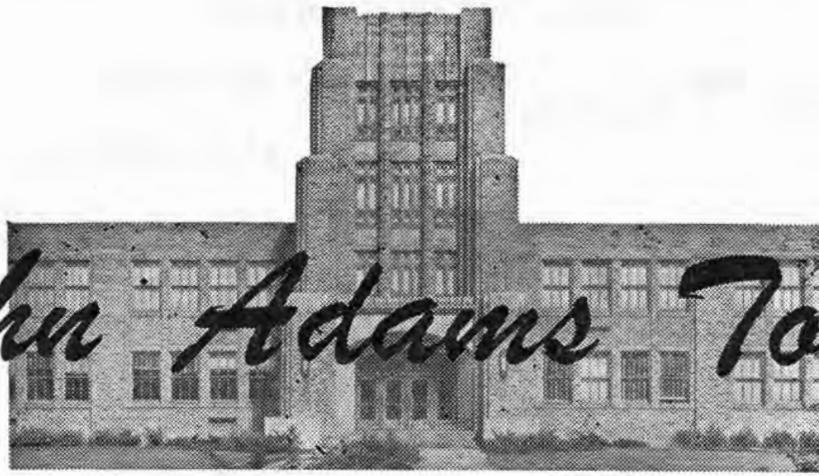


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DATES FOR COLLEGE BOARDS ANNOUNCED

College Board Examinations, for seniors expecting to enter college next fall, will be given at Central Senior High School on January 9, 1954; March 13, 1954; May 22, 1954; and August 11, 1954. Applications for these examinations must be sent to the College Entrance Examination Board, Post Office Box 592, Princeton, New Jersey, before December 15, 1953; February 20, 1954; May 1, 1954; and July 21, 1954, for the respective testing dates. Most students, according to Miss Burns, find the March date convenient.

Results of the examinations, a morning scholastic aptitude test and three afternoon achievement tests (concerning subjects of the applicant's choice), are used by each college individually as part of a student's application information. The tests have no passing or failing grades.

Fees are \$6.00 for morning and \$8.00 for afternoon tests. If all examinations are taken, the cost is \$12.00. John Adams students wishing further information should see Miss Burns in the Guidance Office.

HI-LIGHTS FROM STUDENT COUNCIL

After having heard favorable comments from the students and faculty members on the Armistice Day Assembly, it was moved and passed that this project should be established as an annual custom.

A Homecoming Dance honoring the alumni will be held November 25, following the basketball game. A special section will be reserved at the game for all alumni who attend.

The chairman of the Service Projects Committee reported that orders for sweat shirts are coming in fast. The first order was sent in last Friday and the shirts are expected to arrive by next week at the latest.

Just a Few Reminders!

To senior boys interested in making applications for the N. R. O. T. C. test, the deadline is tomorrow. See Miss Burns today.

Have you gotten your season basketball ticket? First home game is Wednesday, November 25.

The annual Christmas Vespers, December 13 at 4:00 p. m.

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MID-YEAR PROM DECEMBER 4

The annual All-City Mid-year Prom will be held at the Indiana Club Friday, December 4, from 9-12 p. m. Mickey Isley's orchestra will provide the music.

Since this is a school function, the traditional rules must be adhered to: one member of each couple must be a senior or an alumnus; fresh flowers will not be permitted; no tickets will be sold at the door.

The Senior Cabinet has made preliminary dance plans at Adams. It chose Myrna Cordtz and Richard Quealy as Adams chairmen to work with the chairmen from Washington, Central, and Riley High Schools. Sally Stoops is sending invitations to parents of senior cabinet members; Ann Williams is in charge of publicity; cabinet members are selling tickets in the senior home rooms for \$2 per couple.

Each high school is in charge of one main committee for the dance; Adams is planning city-wide publicity.

ADAMS WELCOMES STUDENT TEACHERS



Miss Marilyn Mangus

Miss Beverly Green

On November 16, the Adams faculty and student body extended the hand of welcome to two Indiana University student teachers. These young women, who will graduate from college in June 1954, will spend eight weeks at Adams practice teaching in their chosen fields.

A native of South Bend, Miss Marilyn Mangus will do her student teaching with Miss Roell in the business education department. Her school years were spent at Centre Township, Riley High School, and finally Indiana University. Miss Mangus' training and her plans for a career are centered around business. Included in her course of study have been: shorthand, typing, economics, accounting, office machines and office management, insurance and business law.

Miss Beverly J. Green, another native of South Bend, will teach in the English department under the guiding hand of Mrs. McClure. Miss Green attended Colfax Elementary School, Muessel Junior High School and Central High School. After high school she spent her freshman year at the University of Colorado and then transferred to Indiana University. Her college course of study included acting, radio and television, announcing, public speaking and oral study of literature.

Thanksgiving Program Open to Public

All students, teachers, and parents are cordially invited to attend the annual Thanksgiving Program sponsored by the Glee Club which will be held in the Little Theatre on Tuesday, November 24 at 9:15 p. m. There is no admission fee.

Margaret Sue Reed will preside at the program. A few of the volunteer numbers which will compose the hour-long program are: a novelty number by James Dincolo, songs by the Boys' Quartet, a piano solo by David Engel, a novelty song by Jean Haefner, and an accordian solo by Robert Yarborough.

P. T. A. TO MEET

The John Adams P. T. A. will meet on Tuesday, December 1, at 8:00 p. m. in the Little Theatre.

Mrs. John Thompson will have the devotions and music will be provided by the Girls' Triple Trio under the direction of Mrs. L. T. Pate and a concert group directed by Mr. Paul Ellsworth.

Mr. Garret Weathers, director of educational research for School City, will discuss enrollment trends and Mr. C. J. Harris will speak on Future Teachers Clubs.

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THE ORIGIN OF THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving was originated by the Pilgrims to give thanks to God and to outwardly express their joy at the success of their crops.

When the Pilgrims landed in the New England States on December 21, 1620 they were faced with starvation. With the help of some friendly Indians they survived the long, cold winter and decided to celebrate. The Pilgrims invited the Indians and they had a feast which lasted a week. Again in 1623 they were faced with starvation but the weather abruptly changed and the crops were saved. They appointed July 30, 1623, as the first definite Thanksgiving.

The celebrations were not held regularly and so in 1789 Washington issued a proclamation saying that Thursday, November 26, should be Thanksgiving. For a while it was held regularly, but one by one different states began to drop it. A second proclamation was issued in 1864 by Lincoln saying that from then on Thanksgiving should be held on the fourth Thursday in November.

The Pilgrims observed Thanksgiving by attending church and thanking

God. Then they celebrated with the Indians. Nowadays the true meaning of Thanksgiving seems to be lost to some of us. Many people don't even bother to attend church. They think only of **Turkey**, which has come to be symbol of Thanksgiving, and the other food and the fun they will have.

With Thanksgiving fast approaching young and old people alike should start thinking about its true meaning.
—Alice Hennion.

Hamburgers A La Mexico

To those of you who are connoisseurs of fine food, this particular incident may strike your "gourmet funny bone." It happened during my trip to Mexico, in that country's second largest city, Guadalupe. We had just begun the 10,000-foot climb into the mountains leading to Mexico City, and needless to say, I was suffering dreadfully from the acute change in altitude. Also, as I recall, those hairpin curves around the mountains might have helped just a little!

My appetite was anything but hearty, so, upon entering the hotel dining room, I politely, but firmly, declined all offers of food. (If you disliked Mexican cooking as much as I did, you would have too!)

My traveling companions thought I should have a little something to fill my stomach, so in order to pacify them and not to insult the waiter by refusing the hotel's food, I took the fateful step. Since I hadn't eaten American food for quite a while, I ordered a hamburger deluxe. Little did I realize what the "deluxe" would come to mean!

A little later, our orders arrived, and when they saw mine, each of us did a double take! The "hamburger deluxe" was the size of a large saucer, had a bun beneath it equally as large, had asparagus stalks propped against its sides, had a huge salad at either end of the plate, and was topped off by a fried egg! I can assure you, after I finished it, I spend the next two days flat on my back, in bed, sipping hot tea, and nibbling toast.

Of my stay in Guadalupe, I can say but these few words, "Give it back to the Indians!"
—Wendy Heron.

CLUES TO IDENTIFY YOUR CLASSMATES

"What grade is she in?" "What grade is he in?" Here are some clues to identification:

Freshmen—This year's Freshman class is a bunch of very likeable kids. You can easily spot the girls because, as they walk down the hall, they always have a big smile and a hello to those they know. But along with that, they have a quiet, shy, and pleasing look which brings out the ever popular sentence, "I wish I weren't just a little Freshman." They boys walk down the hall with the look of, "So, I'm a Freshman. What difference does that make? Just wait until next year." They aren't as quiet as the girls and, as a result, you are easily knocked down by the speed-demons that rush by you. There are three defenses against these hall-speeders, they are (1) get out of the way, (2) stop them, (3) get all bruised up.

Sophomores—The Sophomore girls, as they walk down the hall, have the ever-wondering look of, "When will next year come?" They are friendly to all, especially the Freshmen because they know their feelings (only too well). They like to dodge the huddles of boys standing around the hall, but when they do pass, they keep their eyes glued to the floor (why I don't know, because they certainly aren't shy!). The boys walk down the hall for the main purpose of viewing the new prospects in the Freshman class. Walking down the hall to get to class is only an excuse to pass certain huddles of girls.

Juniors—The Juniors are getting older but still have a little farther to go before they reach the top. You see them walking down the halls in couples or bunches but very seldom alone. They talk to everyone, but some have that certain glare that gives the underclassmen the "shakes."

Seniors—Seniors can be recognized very easily. They walk down the hall with their heads high (not particularly their noses), but they never seem to know what is happening in the halls around them. They also have the weather-beaten look that shows their twelve years of hard work. They have finally made the grade, and they don't want to slip back now.

MEN ! ? ?

If you smile at him, he thinks you're flirting;

If you don't flirt, he thinks you're an iceberg;

If you let him kiss you, he wishes you were more reserved;

If you flatter him, he thinks you don't understand him;

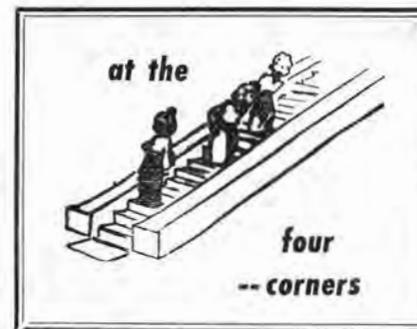
If you talk of love and romance, he thinks you want to marry him;

If you go out with other fellows, he thinks you're fickle;

If you don't he thinks no one will have you;

Aren't men disgusting!!!

—Lakeville Blue and Gold.



Last week we mentioned the extra, extra curricular newly organized club called "The Royal Order of Basketball Practice Watchers." This week we are proud to announce its members: **Sharon DeRose, Sally Stoops, Pat Bourdon, Wendy Heron, Jackie James, and Kathy Brady.** (Who does Brady watch? Only Kathy knows! Yak, yak, yak.)

What does one do when one finds two N. D. students in one's car? Drive them home? That's what **Sandy Hoelscher** and **Nancy Platt** did!

Lima, Ohio, sweet music to **Micah Ross!**

Seems **Marlene Goldberg** monopolized the kitchen at a recent party, and we don't mean raiding the goodies box!

Case No. 1. October 7—**Dick Smith** and **Dick Swayzee** "tool" over to New Carlisle to rendezvous with beautiful babes (Eileen and friend).

October 13—**Dick Smith** leaves town for distant places on quote "business" unquote.

October 14—**Dick Swayzee** and **Jack Shipley** leave town for Chicago to attend quote "barn dance" unquote.

You say, "why all the noise?" "Just trying to get the facts, man, just trying to get the facts!"

Speaking of "case" histories, here are a few involving some interesting "hoodlums": **Bob Nelson, Sharon Lee; Nancy Hertel, Dick Lomatsch; Sue Angus, Jerry Flanagan; Sandra Wright, Fred Cowgill; Aviva Elling, George Frischhoff** (Riley).

Sharon Pritz has been voted the best looking girl in the fourth hour Physics class. She is the only girl in the class. Ditto for **Joan Moore** in the fifth hour class.

It was reported that **John Steinmetz's** Saturday Evening "tea," November 7, was a huge success and that a good time was had by all.

Ever see **Joe Rich's** ear perk up when he hears the word "Central"? Lately, he's been a committee of one to improve inter-school relationships.

Just noticed that that **Kenton** man is coming to town. November 28 is the date, so get busy, find yourself a date and take in this performance. It promises to be the best.

Ok, so **Tom Angus** wants his name in the Tower. Ok, Ok. So he had a date with **Marilyn Monroe.** Ok. Ok. So what's so unusual about that?

Have noticed in the Tribune that there are 445 I. U. students from St. Joseph County. Of these, 360 are from South Bend. Adams can boast 66 of the 360. The total enrollment down at I. U. this year is 16,886. Just giving you the facts, just the facts.

Thinking of our recent report cards, I heard about a professor who graded exams so strictly that he flunked three pupils for having periods upside down. Maybe that's what happened to some of us!!

NINE EASY STEPS TO BE UNPOPULAR

Are you unpopular with the gang? If so, here are nine reasons for some unpopularity and some may apply to you!

1. Borrow a six-inch mechanical pencil and return it a one-inch stub.
2. Compare your steady to someone else's, saying yours is cuter, then turn around to face that "someone else" eavesdropping.
3. Arrive first in the cafeteria line and let twenty-five pals in, so the original twenty-five will end up fiftieth to seventy-fifth.
4. Scoot somebody's typing notes down the hall just as the last bell is ringing in that very class!
5. Back out at the last minute after you've promised the gang you'll drive to that all-important, out-of-town football game, 'cause you get a date of that variety also.
6. Be the joker in the chemistry class who ignites hydrogen and oxygen (Boy! is it noisy!) behind some timid, unsuspecting soul.
7. Beat a tatoo down the empty hall with your heel plates when some poor class is taking a concentration test.
8. Borrow your best friend's clean clothes and fall down on the track, then remember she has inspection next hour.
9. Take off the best slow-dancing records at a party and substitute "After Midnight," "Well, Oh, Well," or "Papaya Mama."

High School Students Are Shown Carved Mural

A few weeks ago, a representative from each of the four high schools and I were privileged to see a carved mural which appeared in the Tribune some time ago. This work was very intricately done by Mr. Ludwig L. Blake, who resides in Roseland. The carving was made from a walnut tree which was struck by lightning near his home. The individual carvings are glued on a plywood base in such a way as to give it the three dimensional look.

Mr. Blake calls the art of carving from wood the "lost art." I can easily understand this, since he began the carving in February and put in almost 1,000 hours of work.

The work is unfinished as far as the varishing is concerned. A coat of beeswax was applied to give the carving lustre and to bring out the highlights of the wood. The mural is very heavy, requiring the strength of two men to lift it.

Mr. Blake claims that the finest compliment he received was given by Mr. Galen Sargent, the former principal of our school. Mr. Sargent said, "It is worth coming a thousand miles to see."

In addition to this fine mural, Mr. Blake has a number of tables and chairs which he also has carved.

—Robert Johnson.

THE FIRST THANKSGIVING

The Mayflower brought the Pilgrims
Across the stormy sea,

To seek a way of life
In which they could be free.

They suffered many hardships
Of hunger, strife, and pain,
But never did they falter
Nor did their courage wane.

They started out to pool their crops
But this did not prove wise,
All hands became industrious
When they tried "free enterprise."

Men and women worked together
To get their planting done,
And when their crops were harvested
There was food for everyone.

The Pilgrims then were thankful
For all their bounteous living,
And in gratitude they celebrated
Our very first Thanksgiving.

—Adams Alumnus.



"What in your opinion is the best way to say goodnight!"

John Waechter — "In English, of course."

Bob Shields — "I wouldn't know." (We'll bet.)

Jerry Thompson — "I refuse to answer on the grounds that it might incriminate me."

Sharon Kerner — "Shake hands! What do you think?"

Sue Armstrong — "Ask Paul, he knows."

Paul Elliott — "Stand outside until her mother calls her in, of course."

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THOMPSON AND LOAR HONORED AT BANQUET; HEATER SELECTED CAPTAIN OF '54 SQUAD

On Monday, November 16, the athletic department staged the annual football banquet at the Zion Evangelical Church. Captain Dick Wedel opened the affair by introducing Rev. Brueseke who gave the invocation. After the dinner, Dick introduced Joe Kelly from WHOT who served in the capacity of toastmaster for the evening.

Mr. Kelly introduced Superintendent of Schools Frank E. Allen, who in turn presented the members of the school board and the administration staff. Mr. Allen said that if Adams stuck with it in the future, as they did this season, someday the school will go undefeated.

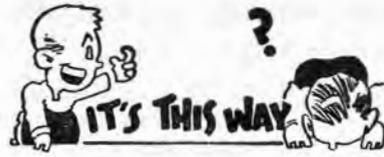
Dick Wedel then presented the "Most Valuable Player Award" to Ray Loar. A representative from the Kiwanis Club then presented their Club's annual award to tackle Ed Thompson.

The next speaker was Coach John Murphy, who related some startling statistics that showed that Adams certainly was not outplayed in the statistical column. Mr. Murphy's message to the nearly 200 guests was this: "These are the finest boys I have ever handled. This is displayed by their excellent respect for their teammates, coaches, opponents, and officials. However, these boys lacked one thing; and that is the 'winning complex.' If the boys had had this, the season record would have been better."

After this speech, representatives from each of the three teams presented their coaches with a gift as a token of their appreciation. Our principal, Mr. Russell Rothermel, introduced the people "behind the scenes," and said, "I hope that the undergraduates will return next year and finish the fine job that was started this season."

Guest speaker, Paul Boehm, assistant director of athletics for the School City, stressed that you do not judge a football player so much by the team's record; rather you judge him by the things the boy gets out of participating in the game. He also reminded the guests, "A couple bounces in favor of Adams during the season, could have spelled victory in several instances, instead of defeat."

Another highlight of the evening's festivities was the announcement that Terry Heater had been chosen by the team to serve as captain of the 1954 squad. Larry VanDusen will serve as alternate captain.



By John Pence

Now that the football season is over, all attention will be switching to the basketball squad. Many persons are wondering what our chances will be in the coming basketball season. The stability of almost all the teams is still in question; however, there are many situations we should be aware of.

(1) South Bend Central is the State Champion. The spirit of the students, faculty, parents, and team will be of a caliber that will not easily be matched.

(2) South Bend Washington retains all but one of the 1952-53 top ten. (By the way, as you remember, this is the team that defeated us in the sectionals.)

(3) South Bend Riley suffered severe losses through graduation. (However, the remaining boys will have considerable experience.)

(4) Michigan City lost six of ten from their last season's team. (They also defeated us.)

(5) Elkhart is always strong no matter how severe their losses.

(6) South Bend Adams lost five through graduation. Thus far in their practice sessions the team doesn't appear unified. However, watch tonight's game closely, because this will be an indication of what is to come.

Afterthoughts . . . Let's fill up our side of the Clay gym tonight.

Eagles Visit Clay Tonite

Tonight the Eagles will face the Washington-Clay Colonials for the 12th time in the school's history. (This excludes tournament play.) For the first time Clay is host. A capacity crowd of 2800 is expected to witness the tilt.

In the 12 year period the Eagles have won nine games, while Clay has won only two. The most outstanding win for the Adams five was the 1943 team's 71 to 25 victory. Last year the Eagles opened their season against the Colonials, and won the game 58 to 39. Thus far this season, the Colonials have been very slow in starting.

The varsity game will start at 8:00; the B-game will begin at approximately 6:45.

Next week the Eagles will play host to Gary Lew Wallace on Wednesday, November 25. This will be the first game at which season tickets will be honored.

BOOSTER CLUB AIMS

For those of you who are still wondering whether or not to become an "Adams Booster," here are a few of the standards you should be able to meet and tolerate.

- (1) Awaken more sincere interest in our athletic program.
- (2) Create greater unity in cheering section including card section.
- (3) Foster increased attendance.
- (4) Stress equal importance on all varsity sports.
- (5) Get rid of "defeatist attitude."
- (6) Assist coaching staff where possible.
- (7) Sponsor activities such as "Dad's Night," or free transportation to an away game.
- (8) Pay maximum dues of 50c to help organize and carry out the ideas of the club.

The students of John Adams should remember that this is their club. Suggestions and/or criticisms are always welcome.

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