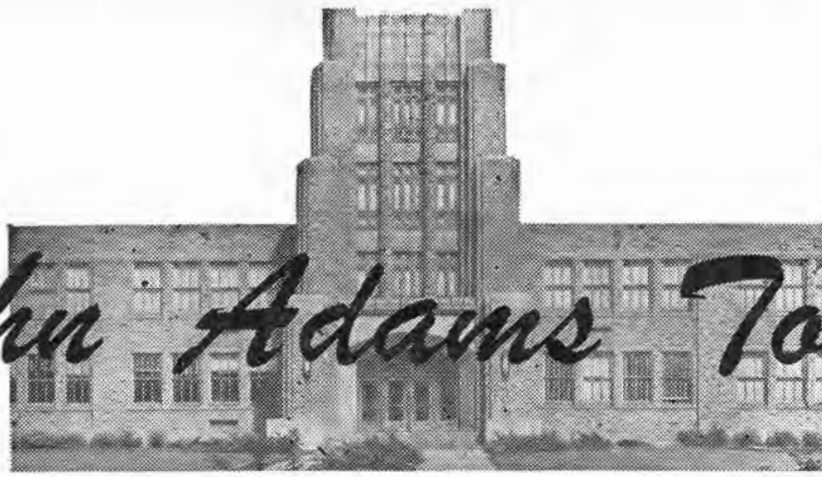


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Basketball Banquet To Be Held In Own Gym

John Adams Library Club to Play Host To North Central Student Librarians

"Make Way For Youth" is the theme for the first annual meeting of the Hoosier student librarians of the North Central Section.

On March 20, the John Adams library club, under the sponsorship of Miss Myrtle Moberg, will be hosts to the representatives of approximately ninety school library clubs.

Registration and a get-acquainted hour will be held in the library to start the day. A business meeting at which a constitution will be presented and adopted and permanent officers elected will be held in the Little Theater. Miss Caroline White-nack, the Indiana state director of school libraries and teaching materials, will be present to give a short address. Special music will be provided by two woodwind trios and a trumpet solo by a member of the Adams band.

The representatives will be served lunch in the Adams lunchroom. A tour of the Notre Dame campus with Notre Dame students as guides will bring to a close the day's activities.

Several displays will be on exhibit. The Junior Literary Guild will have a book exhibit, and the Book Shop will have an exhibit of books also. Robertson Brothers Department Store will have a display of educational toys, and Hickman Bindry of North Manchester, Indiana, will have an exhibit of bindry supplies. Displays of posters brought by members of the library clubs from the different schools will be a source of exhibit for the students.

General chairman for the meeting is Marilyn Cole. She has appointed two decorations committees: Carol Mechling and Wanda Ritenour, chairmen; Vivian Kurtz, Geraldine Fogarty, Shirley Jones, Marilyn Reith, Susan Cole, Kay Jensen, and Yvonne Popp.

NEW ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR

Because of ill health, Mr. Paul Ellsworth, Adams' orchestra director, has been forced to resign his teaching duties. Mrs. William Wampler, Adams' orchestra leader prior to her marriage, will assume the director's position for the remainder of this school year.

DEPAUW TO SPONSOR GUIDANCE CLINIC FOR SENIORS

For the past eight years DePauw University has sponsored a guidance clinic for high school seniors planning to attend college. This year the clinic will be held from June 15 to 19.

The purpose of this clinic is to offer impartial guidance for the senior in making his future educational plans. In addition to this guidance the student will be introduced to college dormitory and social life.

Two days of the clinic are devoted to a series of tests which appraise the ability of a student, survey his knowledge, determine his vocational interests and take an inventory of his personality. When the tests are completed the staff—composed of teachers from several colleges and some high schools—provides a diagnosis of the student and one of the counselors with him and makes recommendations as to his educational plans.

Free time will be provided during the clinic to permit recreation such as tennis, movies, swimming, bowling, and social gatherings.

The fee is \$25 and covers the room, meals, cost of testing, and university facilities.

In the past about five or six seniors from Adams have taken advantage of this guidance clinic. Further information may be obtained from Miss Burns by anyone interested.

LA PORTE BAND TO PLAY HERE NEXT TUESDAY

An assembly program featuring the LaPorte High School band will be presented in the Adams auditorium on March 23. Under the direction of Mr. Gene Pennington, the ninety-one piece musical organization will continue the tradition of exchange concerts between the two schools.

Another part of the tradition is the post-concert refreshment hour. Ice cream and cake will be served the visitors after the performance.

The Adams band gave a concert at LaPorte on March 2.

SENIORS TO BE MEASURED FOR CAPS AND GOWNS

John Adams seniors will be measured for caps and gowns Wednesday, March 31, in the boys' athletic office, starting at 8:00 a. m.

The rental fee for both cap and gown is \$2.60. The red and blue tassel worn on the cap is valued at 35 cents. If the student does not care to keep the tassel the 35 cents will be refunded if the tassel is returned in good condition. Fees are to be paid to the home room teacher during the week of March 29.

Caps and gowns are to be worn for baccalaureate, senior assembly, senior punch, and commencement. They are to be returned immediately following graduation exercises.

Paul Elliott is the senior officer in charge of arrangements.

1953-54 TEAM TO BE HONORED, MARCH 29

The fourteenth annual basketball banquet, to honor the 1953-54 squad, will be held in the John Adams gymnasium on March 29 at 6:30 p. m. The Adams lunchroom staff asked to prepare the food for this meal so this is the first time Adams has been able to have an athletic banquet in its own building.

The guest speaker will be Mr. Blair Gullion, basketball coach at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri. Forrest M. Wood, director of athletics for School City will be the toastmaster.

Parents, faculty, students, and friends of the team are invited to honor them on this occasion and to enjoy the swiss steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, vegetable salad, hot rolls, and apple pie a la mode.

Reservations for the dinner must be made and the \$1.50 paid to Mr. Ralph Powell, Adams athletic director, no later than March 25.

Guidance Committee to Present Play, "Let's Get Together," for Junior Class

On March 23, in the Little Theater, the junior guidance committee will present a play to the junior class entitled, "Let's Get Together."

Written by Kent Keller, Naomi Ross, Barbara Neff, and Janet Golba, this play depicts some of the troubles that arise between parents and their children and shows ways to avert these problems through compromise.

Richard Darr is in charge of sets, Gail Aspin is the manger and Janet Golba is the director. Kent Keller will give a motivating talk before the play begins.

The characters are: Jim McCoy, father; Naomi Shulman, mother; Robert Root; son; Sharon Lee, daughter; Jim Kanouse and Pat Wilson, two friends, and Aviva Elling, the maid.

Miss Puterbaugh and Miss Kaczmarek Elected to AAUW Posts

Miss Annajane Puterbaugh, Adams business education teacher, and Miss Gwendolyn Kaczmarek, Latin instructor, were elected president and first vice-president, respectively, of the American Association of University Women, South Bend Branch, at the March meeting.

Prior to assuming their new positions, Miss Puterbaugh has been third vice-president and Miss Kaczmarek, fellowship chairman.

Coming Events

March 19—D. A. R. History Test, 8:00 A. M., room 1

March 22, 24, 26—9th Grade Tuberculin Test in afternoon

March 26—Social Living Trip

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ARE YOU TO BLAME?

Pride in your appearance, home, and property are of prime importance to the majority of you Adams' students, yet it seems there is an apparent lack of pride in our school's appearance and regulations of late.

Let's recognize some of these violations of school regulations and appearance. Being in the halls while classes are in session, whether it happens to be lunch hour or not, has resulted in many distraction. It may seem necessary at times for you to take a shortcut across our lawn, but the damage done to it is hardly worth the few minutes saved. Our grounds also are quite unnecessarily littered with refuse which is carelessly tossed aside. This is true especially of those of you who eat in cars at noon and toss your trash at will. The problem concerning this business of eating and smoking in cars before, during, and after school is getting to be a serious one. Even though you may contend that you have permission of the owner, it is against regulations to smoke on school property. There is a lunchroom for those of you who bring lunches, so again there is no excuse for being in the cars.

The parking lot behind the building is sectioned according to faculty and student parking. Since there are reserved sections for both, it should be unnecessary to have students leave class in order to repark their cars in the proper spaces.

There have been statements concerning these problems before, but it is evident that some people will not follow what is right unless a law is passed and penalties provided. Maybe before the committee of teachers and students, who are investigating these problems, can act, the few who are causing the unpleasantness will correct their ways.

—Wendy Heron.

IT'S A MAN'S WORLD

Although the female species outnumber us men in this old planet today, I still think it's definitely a man's world.

You can be sure that whenever some gal does something it's done to accomplish either one of two things or both. They are: 1. To impress one boy. 2. To impress many boys.

Women of today spend millions in cold cash on lipstick, hair tint, beauty aids, sheer hose, deodorants and varied colored nail polish, ranging from "Exciting Red" to "Secret Rendezvous Turquoise."

Girls in high school often times do their homework twice in order to have an excuse for inviting their current pash boy over to help with homework. Ninety per cent of the time her I. Q. is higher than his. The dainty sex seems to find innumerable excuses for walking through the gym to watch the basketball team.

If modern women can't get a man's attention one way she'll resort to uncanny eye catching tricks such as wearing dog collars and ties that are a mile too big.

Of course all this goes to show that women are inferior to men and not one female is alive that can boss me or any other male around.

Excuse me I have to go now, my mother is calling me.

—Mike LeBurkien.

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Mystery Underclassmen

Weight 117 lbs. . . . green eyes . . . brown hair . . . new haircut . . . Junior . . . 16 years old . . . 5' 4" . . . cheerleader at Nuner . . . her man is tall, dark, and handsome . . . often seen in 2-tone Studie . . . has trouble making lunch money balance . . .

Weight 145 lbs. . . . black hair . . . hazel eyes . . . 5' 9" . . . shoe 10 . . . 16 years old . . . Junior B . . . B-team basketball . . . golf "ace" . . . bachelor of late . . . can't toboggan down a hill without knocking kids over . . . good dancer when it comes to fast music . . . favorite subject Latin!!

Weight 115 lbs. . . . brown eyes and hair . . . 5' 3" . . . bangs her trademark . . . Sophomore . . . came over from Central this year and wouldn't go back for anything . . . known for her skirt with the slit on windy days . . . footloose and fancy free . . . taking up knitting for pastime.

Height 5' 11" . . . blue eyes . . . blonde hair . . . looked like he fell asleep in the barber shop last time . . . Varsity basketball . . . yellow Studie convert . . . property of Lynne Lachman . . . makes up songs for a pastime . . . nickname same as song title of person lost in a swamp . . .

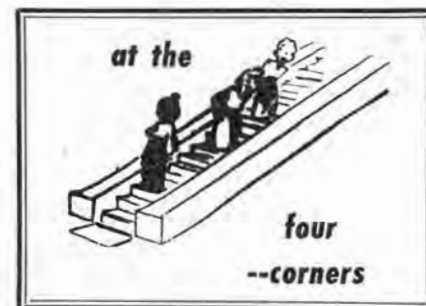
Weight 102 lbs. . . . brown hair . . . brown eyes . . . Freshman . . . spent 1/2 of the year going steady . . . now going steady with Steve Strang . . . cheerleader at Nuner last year . . . once made anonymous phone call to Jefferson kids . . . wears hair in bangs . . .

Height 4' 11" . . . brown hair . . . blue eyes . . . true to the saying "dynamite comes small packages . . . going steady with Kay Frash . . . baseball, intramural basketball . . . plays cards in study hall . . . can always win at card games . . . went to Jefferson.

Does the Shoe Fit?

Ten easy ways to identify a "brown-nose."

1. Volunteers to grade test papers.
2. Always agrees with the teacher whether he believes the statement or not.
3. Always "shushing" the class.
4. "Oh, hello, there, Miss Jones. How are you? Certainly enjoyed your class yesterday. I just adore that dress. I always did like chartreuse with fuschia polka dotes! Any blackboards you want washed or plants you want watered?"
5. Loiterers after class for "additional infor."
6. Offers to do "little things" like washing the teacher's car.
7. Doubles over with laughter at ll teacher's jokes.
8. Nods his head constantly in agreement with the teacher.
9. Always has to comment on everything anyone says!
10. Supplies information on cheaters, "skippers," and family backgrounds of fellow students.



No murders, no robberies, no riots, no automobile accidents, nothin'! What a dull school The only thing Adams kids do is date, go steady, break-up; date, go steady, break-up. Same old thing! Never any excitement. Nancy Smuts and Dave Beiser solved their difficulties and are back together again. Tom Goldsberry and Punky Crowe are going steady — the last we heard.

Phyllis Stouffer sits in chemistry recalling old "steady" days with John Pence.

June Bartels attends Social Living in order to practice her weekly jiu-jitsu on Mike LeBurkin. Jean Haefner and Mrs. Wasmuth can't seem to agree on proper shower garb.

Sharon Reber has been seen dancing with Dick Smith and her "ex-better half" Steve Gumz has been chasing the blues with Marilyn McGee.

On the dating list we have: Chuck Taylor and Linda Heitger; Janet Golba and Jim Hoehn; Maggie Reed and Joe Rich; Pat Moynihan and Phil DeLong; Joan Jacobs and Danny Hoyt; Barbara Koto and Bernie Marek (Riley); Bob Shula and Barbara Colt (Riley).

Don't seem to have any major break-ups, but have you heard about George Roeger and Kay Sutton? Too bad for Jack Longley!

We hear that Ginnie Golba (Janet's cousin) was reported to have been throwing paper airplanes at Dave Casper in Mr. Carroll's English class. What she needs is an aviation class.

Seems that Phil Rider has taken a liking to a certain freshman girl. Her name is Georgianna Perry.

In the second advanced class of going steady we have: Carolyn Woolley and Jim Rosebrook; Bob Wetter and Linda Flick; Sharon Patty and Joe Vanderhayden; Pat Lantz and Phil Berdt (Wash.); Judy Sheneberger and Dennis Forte (Mish.); Joan Miller and Ted Noel (Riley); Marlene Dahl and Dale Smith; Barb Stehcon and Larry Varda (St. Joe); Bev Shafer and Fred Heddens; Ina Cole and Jerry Vascil; Joy Fox and Dick Gerbeth; Dixie Douglas and Dale Stroup (Riley); Barb Hatton and Warner Blackburn (Riley); Alice Barry and Bill Neil (St. Joe College); Joan Bass and Ray Bowles (Wash.); Mike Grundy and Bev Jablonski (Cent.); Bruce Stickley and Betty Cosner (Cent.); Elaine Brown and Dave Coverdale (alum.); Wendy Heron and Bob Collins.

Could this be love? Mary Wenger seems to have found a new boy friend to eat lunch with. Who is he, Mary?

Tune is next week — same day, same time, same paper, same article, same old thing — date, go steady, break up!

So Who Wants to Go To the Prom?

This time of year heralds the approach of the senior prom and every senior in school suddenly breaks out in a rash of "What Will I Do for a Date Itis?" At almost any gathering you can hear a wail of, "But, there's absolutely nobody to go with!"

The first step in getting a prom date for girls is to go through last year's Album and make a list of all available Adams men.

The accepted strategy of getting a date for boys is to start visiting all the girls in their little black books.

Let's take a look at how this promitis affects the boy or girl who has never been interested in dates (believe it or not.) No one has ever really bothered them about dates before, but suddenly everyone tries to sell them on the idea of dating. In order to be able to live with their insisting parents, they finally give in to popular demand and get a date. (To those of you in this category, the prom will probably sell you on the idea of what you've been missing.)

It always seems like there is a shortage of senior boys and all the girls affected by promitis begin looking with new interest toward Notre Dame, schools in the surrounding territory, and long, lost cousins who might be their age. The biggest gripe to these girls is the girl who is so carried away by promitis that she keeps three boys waiting until the last minute when she decides which prince charming will be given the honor of escorting her.

Finally after weeks of suggestions from friends, parents, and even teachers and blind dates with every available person, every senior has a date. Just when things are calming down and the attack of promitis seems to be cured for another year, some couple that has been the steadiest of steadies for years breaks up and simply refuses to go to the prom together. Everything is thrown into an uproar again.

The only advise that it seems wise to give to seniors on the curing of promitis is to get your date early and avoid the last minute rush. Act now and avoid a dateless prom night.
—Sally Kissinger.

Dear Diary,

Today, school started the same as usual. When I got there I noticed the halls were unusually crowded—more couples were having locker romances—the basketball team doesn't have to shoot free throws anymore in the morning. I found, when I reached home room, Mr. Litweiler had acquired a live owl. You never know what he'll turn up next. He should have a sign on the door, "John Adams Pet Shop."

The whole day passed very slowly with few interruptions. In fourth hour study hall, Bill Blue was acting as collection agent; he guarded the canister for the Korean War Orphan. As the money dropped in, the whole study hall got wild, but as soon Mr. Crowe's "friendly" face peeked in the door, you could have heard a pin drop.

All day long I dodged the painters in the hall, but one time my luck ran out. I was walking very calmly to sixth hour, thinking about "things," when I ran right into a painter. It wouldn't have been so

bad if he hadn't had a can of blue paint in his hand. Oh well, I've always wanted a light blue skirt and sweater anyway.

I got through sixth hour which dragged on forever. I went right home from school with home work in every subject, which I had planned to get done early so I could watch TV, but when I got home I discovered I had left my books on the bus. I ended up watching TV like I had planned, but I sure wish I could rip out tomorrow's page because its not going to have a very happy ending.
—Sue Wood.

A little bebopper traveling thru Egypt saw the Sphinx with the date 3000 B. C. on it. "Man," he sighed, "that's real gone."

Dear little Senior
Don't be so bold.
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Conductor: "Where to?"
Freshman: "Can't tell you. It's a surprise party."

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SENIOR SISTERS, WHAT A PAIN!

By Nancy Armstrong

Having a senior sister wouldn't be too much of a burden if she were in college and I was at home, but being an underclassman and having a sister who is a high school senior, I know what a burden she can be!

She can always get the car. The excuse? "You will have it all next year."

She yells, "I never got to do that when I was a junior," just when I almost have my parents convinced about something I really want to do.

She gets second row seats for the tournament, then laughs at me in the 57th row of the balcony.

I can't read the paper until she has read it. "Social Living comes first," says she.

The first place to look for lost clothing is in her room.

I'll admit, though, that every cloud has a silver lining and even senior sisters can come in handy.

I won't have anyone to tell my "intimate tales" to.


I will be the only defender of the rights of teen-agers in the household.

She'll take all her clothes that I like to wear, so maybe I'll get some new ones.

I'll have to get up all alone at the crack of dawn for seven-thirty Glee Club, but then I'll have access to the car.

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Eagles Defend Baseball Championship

By John Pence

As a student of a South Bend high school, I am very proud of our city teams and schools. Most of all, I am proud of the conduct of the majority of our student bodies.

Our teams might not have won the regional nor the state championship this year, but I would rather be a part of a school bearing a name of good sportsmanship. In the schools of South Bend are very good teams and good players. The majority of the student followers are also well-disciplined. However, there are "rowdies" that claim to be ardent followers that are certainly not a credit to their school. In most of these cases, the players, coaches, faculty, and the majority of the students are embarrassed because of the poor sportsmanship shown by these few in the stands, after the games, and in the school rooms.

It may be hard to believe that there are schools that have to put up with these "rowdies." However, there are!! The most recent case was the "walk-out-riot" during school hours at Central High School. There were only 60 violators, but the other 2,000 students are being frowned upon. We congratulate the 2,000 students who displayed their good sportsmanship and we hope that the violators are severely dealt with.

All the schools in South Bend are having to share the "bad glares" that the rest of the state are casting upon us. (Both Indianapolis and Fort Wayne papers had big write-ups.)

As a representative of the South Bend schools, I challenge the respective school leaders to do something to try to make the majority in that school stop the violence. The destruction that was suffered by Central High School will take several years to rebuild, but all the South Bend pupils are backing the 2,000 level-headed Central students.

If the student leaders continue to let this situation go unhelped, the sports program of South Bend high schools might be impaired for those of us who are innocent of the charges. I myself, would like to see the excellent sports program of our city continued without the slightest impairment.

WINTER SPORTS AWARDS

On March 11, the following people received awards at the annual Winter Sports Awards Assembly.

Cheerleaders

J. Flanagan and R. Ferraro received sweaters.

Swimming

D. Britton, B. Blue, and S. Strang received sweaters. N. Grimshaw, B. Heiland, B. Johnson, and J. Wiseman got certificates.

Wrestling

T. Betts, A. Johnson, and D. Quimby received sweaters. T. Heater and P. Dempsey got cheverons.

Basketball

B. Klowetter, C. LaPierre, D. Quealy, and J. Waechter received sweaters. S. Rice, D. Green, T. Troeger, and L. VanDusen got cheverons. T. Goldsberry and J. Thompson received certificates.

Rosie Ferraro got the captains star for cheerleading, Norm Grimshaw for swimming, and Jerry Thompson for basketball.

It was announced by Mr. Seaborg that the annual Kiwanis Club award and Monogram Club award will be given to the deserving members of the basketball team at the basketball banquet on March 29.

GOLF TEAM TRYOUTS WILL BE APRIL 1 & 2

The John Adams golf team will have tryouts on April 1 and 2 at the Erskine Park Country Club. Mr. Kermit Thompson, the team's coach, will conduct the try-outs.

The returning members of the 1953 team are John Steinmetz, Jim Nace, Tom Angus, Don Seach, Tom Henson, Tom Horka and the substitutes or "B" team members of last year's squad. These include Micah Ross, John Meehan, Jim Hoehn, Al Flack, and Don Zombik. Of these boys, there are only two seniors, Steinmetz and Nace. Dick Quealy, from Lafayette, is reported as a good prospect for the team.

The golf team will play its first meet on April 22, against Benton Harbor at Benton Harbor.

SWARTZ WILL RELY ON FIVE RETURNING MEN

Last year the Eagles were forced to share the top spot in baseball with the Riley Wildcats.

To defend their conference championship that they have attained the past two years, the Adams baseball team began light practices about February 25 and Coach Swartz anticipates starting his full-scale outdoor practices about March 22.

Coach Swartz has five returning lettermen — Tom Goldsberry, Dick Gibboney, Jack MacMillan, Don Ball, and Floyd Troub.

The team will open its defense of their crown on April 4 against Mishawaka on the Adams diamond and they will play Washington just one week later.

Pessimistically, Coach Swartz says, "There are eight teams in the conference so there is an eight to one chance of repeating our championship."

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