

The 1954-55 Glee Club Officers



Back row, left to right: James Dincolo, president; Robert Nelson and John Coffman, assistant presidents; James Hoehn, business manager. Front row: Linda Heitger, assistant vice-president; Ruth Jones, accompanist; Elaine Brown, assistant vice-president; Janet Golba, vice-president.

Adams Glee Club To Participate At North Central

The North Central Teachers Association which meets every year at John Adams, will open its session Thursday, October 21, at 9:30 a. m. A small ensemble from the John Adams Glee Club will have the honor of opening the program. The songs to be sung are "Cool Water," "No Man Is an Island," and "You'll Never Walk Alone."

Thursday evening there will be a program given for the teachers and the public. This concert will be for entertainment and will be given by the North Central Chorus. This group is made up of all the combined glee clubs and orchestras from the high schools in this part of Indiana. This year the director will be Mr. Henry Veld who directs the Augustana Choir at Rock Island, Illinois.

On the afternoon of October 22, a pageant, "Who's Yeer Who?—I.S.T.A. Review—1854-1954," will be presented. This pageant will depict the different periods of the one hundred years since the formation of the Indiana State Teachers Association. Those who are fortunate enough to be chosen from the John Adams Glee Club to participate will take part in the World War I group. A repetition of this program will be given free of charge in the evening for the public.

Korean War Orphan Writes to Council

One of the projects of last year's Student Council was a drive to raise funds for sponsoring a Korean Orphan. The drive was such a success that two Korean children are receiving our help, and in addition we are sponsoring a teacher in a Korean school for a year. The children correspond regularly with us, their foster parents, in accordance with the plan through which they receive their aid. These two letters have arrived during the summer and are being answered by Student Council members.

Dear Friends of
John Adams High School:

How are all of you who always send me such fond help? Also how diligently all of you are studying these days? I am now a pupil of sixth grade, so I am supposed to study more hardest for entrance examination to junior high school. Therefore I am awful busy these days for preparing examination.

I always believe that all of you would help this poor little boy as ever in the future. I hope we will be able to write each other without ending, and all of you give me good information by the letter please.

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GREEN AND HOSEY ARE CHOSEN

Each year the Rotary Club and the Kiwanis Club ask each school to send a student representative to attend their weekly luncheon meetings. The senior class voted to have Richard Green represent them at Rotary and a faculty committee chose Charles Hosey for our Kiwanis representative. Both boys will serve a term of nine weeks.

The Rotary Club meets every Wednesday from 12:15 to 1:30 at the Oliver Hotel and Kiwanis meets on Thursday at 12:00 at the LaSalle Hotel.

Dick maintains a high scholastic standing. The sports he participates in are tennis, basketball and baseball. He is president of Monogram Club and vice-president of Student Council. He plans to study engineering in college.

Chuck has scholastic ability. He plans to go to college and prepare for engineering.

The purposes of having high school representatives are for students to get acquainted with and secure better relations with business men.

Goggles Issued To Shop Students

As a safety measure, Mr. Floyd Dickey has succeeded in obtaining a pair of goggles for every shop student. They provide 100% protection against damage to the eyes. The goggles are checked out by the fee book system with each boy being responsible for his pair at the end of the semester.

Any visitors to the shop will also be presented with a pair of goggles to prevent any serious mishaps.

The goggles are provided by **The Wise Owl Club of America** which is sponsored by **The National Society for Prevention of Blindness.**

Travelers to Give Talks

On October 6, at 8:25, an assembly featuring the three students from Adams who went to Europe for the summer will be held. Kent Keller, Naomi Ross, and William Waechter were sent to Europe by the American Field Service, where they lived with families in France and Germany.

ROSS, KELLER, AND WAECHTER RETURN

Say — did you notice some "real crazy" leather shorts parading around the Adams halls about two weeks ago? They were on the person of one Kent Keller (home room 107) who, with Bill Waechter, 209, and Naomi Ross, who hails from 108 and has a pair of "lederhosen" too, had returned the day before from a summer abroad. The three, along with 373 other American teenagers, had spent two months living with European families under the sponsorship of the American Field Service.

An essay on "Why I Want to Go to Europe," an autobiography, and letters of recommendation were sent to New York last January and the winning contestants were notified in March and April. On June 19, the M/S Seven Seas, a vessel run by the Council on Student Travel, sailed out of New York harbor with 1250 high school and college students on board.

Bill debarked at LeHarve, France, and traveled from there to Saint Quentin, ninety miles north of Paris, where his foster family (mother, father, teenage daughter, and a dog) live.

Kent and Naomi hit solid land at Bremerhaven, Germany. During two days in nearby Bremen as guests of the city government, they got acquainted with their new country. Kent became a member of a family in Flensburg, which is almost on the Danish border. Two families, in small villages near Duesseldorf and Hannover in middle and northern Deutschland, were hosts to Naomi during July and August, respectively.

In an assembly on Wednesday, October 6, the "world travelers" will tell about the lives they have led this summer — about the language barrier and how it can sometimes work to one's advantage, European cooking (each American student was told in New York before leaving that he would gain 20 pounds in the 8 weeks), schools (a dozen subjects and a six-week summer vacation), people (who are "really the same the world over"), the trip to "gay Paree" which climaxed the summer, and all about exchange programs.

The voyage home was quite an experience for two reasons. There were kids from about fifteen countries on the ship which lent quite an "international atmosphere." Also, there was "Edna," of whom you may have heard. She was a hurricane blowing around the Atlantic at the same time the three were bouncing around it.

On the plane from New York, Bill, Kent, and Naomi met another Hoosier returning to his native territory (though not from quite as far away as Adamites). You may have heard of him — Herb Shriner.

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WHO'S ON THE TEAM?

Who's on the team? All of us at Adams are on the Eagles squad. Just because we're benched most of the time, however, doesn't mean that we should stop fighting for our school or backing those eleven boys on the field.

Terry Heater, when asked about the attitude of the students before the Mishawaka game said, "90-99% of the kids thought we would lose, and they told us so, too."

Before the game Moose was asked by an Adams girl, "How much are you going to get beat by tonight?"

Terry mentioned that at the beginning of the game he couldn't hear any Adams cheers, "but once we started piling on those points (hot as we were) the cheers sent chills up and down our backs."

If you can't play a sport, be one. It's easy to go to the game and yell your lungs out while we're winning. It's easy to yell for the sake of yelling while we're losing. But school spirit and sportsmanship, which are not so easy, run deeper than that.

To play our part on the Adams team it's not enough to yell just because it's expected when we're losing; it's not enough to cheer for the players only while we're winning; but, it is enough to cheer from the heart, win or lose.

—Nancy MacIvor.

Time On Your Hands?

Has anyone ever accused you of being a "do-little-sit-more?" The accusation may not have been worded exactly like that phrase, but the inference was made that perhaps you have too much time on your hands. Of course, the majority of us have school work to take home at night, as well as errands and chores to do also, but very rarely can you find someone who doesn't have a single moment to spare. Very few people realize what to do when they find they have extra time to spend. During the usually crisp, sunny autumn weather is an ideal time to become interested in some hobby or outdoor sport.

The boys have an almost perfect set-up as far as sports-weather combo. It's just cool enough out to play basketball, football, tennis, and baseball without melting like butter on a hot July day. As a rule there's a breeze blowing and the effect is great when you're a more than little overheated. Not only could sports occupy your free time, but a little reading, and we don't mean comics, wouldn't hurt at all. Taking an interest in metal and wood if your dad has a machine shop in the basement, experimenting with a chemistry set, that is, if mom approves, or simply collecting bugs 'n' beetles or some other horrid or crawly things that the male of the species delights in handling, would be excellent ways to occupy the extra minutes and hours which could drag unnecessarily.

Most girls, as a rule, don't lack for much to do in the way of "home" work or hobbies. Perhaps sports won't head their agenda, but there's a good deal else that does. Knitting argyles, reading, painting, if you're lazy like me you can buy a "fill in the numbered space . . ." set, baby-sitting, cooking and sewing, or just sitting down at your desk and planning what outfits to wear to school for the following week are sensible time-consuming items.

You don't have to become boy-bird-watchers or girl-galaxy-gagers to use up all your spare time, a little time out for just resting and brain de-cobwebbing doesn't hurt either, but be sure to try one of these suggestions or invent some of your own. Time is too precious to waste! —Wendy Heron.

Et Cetera: Thanks to Butch West, Jerry Badger, Jim Hoehn, and Don Smith for the swell Junior Achievement assembly. Let's all get behind them and be J.A.'ers. . . . Congratulations are in order again for our football team. Will Riley be victim number 4? . . . Cheers to the new cheerleaders. We're behind them all the way.

The Student Council Speaks

Here at Adams, this year — NOW, we have opportunity-plus staring us right in the face. The assets with which we are beginning this school year far surpass those of any previous year.

To begin with, we have a wonderful Student Council with a foundation of granite. This solid foundation was laid for you last year by the Council Board. It is a program of fast-moving plays that will keep us all on our toes for this entire school year. If we can meet this challenge it will result as a year of miraculous improvement.

Secondly, we have a fantastic number of extra-curricular activities and sports. Anyone who doesn't belong to at least one or two is missing the opportunity of a lifetime.

To push up our spirits we have a very important third asset — the fact that our athletic teams are constantly improving. Each year Adams rises a little further above the ranks. We have already seen a very excellent example of this in our football games. What do you say that we all try to do our little bit by yelling our lungs out?

The last, and greatest, asset that we have is you! In my four years at Adams, this year has the greatest potential. Can we succeed? You bet we can. Just get in there and push and give your Council your full support.

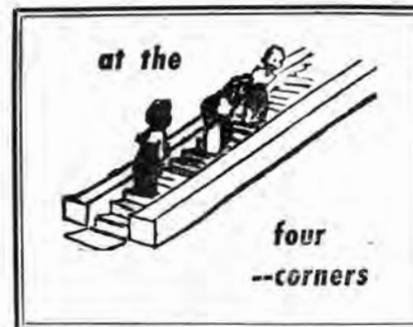
Next week I want to outline the Council plans for this year, and the weeks after that I have a mighty important problem to tell you about. After that each of the board members will write an article about their job or committee, and how you can help them. Please keep your eye on this column. By reading it you can learn about the most important organization in school, your government, the John Adams Student Council. By your support through the Council, Adams will soon be way up on a pedestal, symbolic of the best in America — and this is just what we want! Okay, let's go!!

—Kent Keller, President
Adams Student Council.

Style News from 209

It seems the days of the starving artist are gone. At least at John Adams, we don't seem to have anyone walking our hallowed halls in an old, paint splotted, patched smock and beret.

A good example of a well-dressed artist is Mr. Seeley. He can be seen wearing such items as a gold corduroy vest or a pink shirt with a narrow, leather string tie; he also like hand-made cufflinks, wears sharp white bucks, and moderately tapered pants. If you notice he isn't walking like he normally does, and seems to be hobbling, it might be because that black pure silk shirt reaches to his knees. Guess he found it quite a bargain! Although he may dress contrary to the general public's idea of an artist, he rates tops on our list of well-dressed young men!



Bouquets to, for bouquets from, Williams the Florist. Wasn't our building colorful last week when each teacher received a rose for his or her desk. The Student Council assisted Mr. Williams by making the distribution.

More steadies to add to the already growing list are: Linn Wickizer and Pat Nelson (Riley); Ronnie MacGregor and Andy Cobb, Barbara Dooms and Don Rogerman (Mishawaka), George Biggs and Shirley Johnson, and Lynne Steele and Mike Toole.

In the "just dating" class we have: Kay "Bones" Cantwell and Tom "Heinie" Hensen, Jim Dincolo and Charmain Burke, Joe Vanderhaden and Sharon Patty (again), JoAnne Bartels and Dave Rogers, Sue Zombik and Jerry Badger, Judy Heron and Bob Walker, and Donna Huffman and "Butch" West.

Sharon Kerner will be a frequent visitor at Ball State, what with her "B" (Bill Mahrone) there.

Adams alum, James Considine, a former Tower editor, has been named editor of "The Hoya," Georgetown University's weekly publication. We're proud of you, Jim, keep up the good work.

Broken strings: Beverly Prohaska and Bob Nelson.

Hey, Bob Mitchell! A fair member of the Freshman class, Sharon Wickizer, has her eye on you.

Well, Fal Harris, what's the deal? When's your dream girl going to come along?

Longfellow Street was buzzing after the Adams-Mishawaka tilt. Seems a member of the Adams team had a great party for his teammates afterwards.

Barbara Goddard thinks Paul Revere came riding by November 11, 1918. We'd all better brush up on the facts!

Seen at the Adams-Mishawaka game was this gay date — Mr. Seeley and Miss Farnier.

P. T. A. TO MEET OCT. 5 AT 7:30

The John Adams P. T. A. will hold its first meeting of the 1954-55 school year on Tuesday, Oct. 5. All meetings will be held in the Little Theater and this year they are scheduled to begin at 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. Segmund Callaen will be in charge of devotions and music will be provided by a Girls' Quartet.

Naomi Ross, Kent Keller, and William Waechter, Adams students who were sent abroad this past summer by the American Field Service, will speak on their experiences in Europe.

Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria at the close of the meeting.

**Eagle
of the
Week**

Janice Rugee seems to be in everything around Adams. She is editor of the Tower, has the feminine lead in "The Romancers," is a member of the Drama Club, is on the board for Student Council, and is a civics class committee member.

Outside of school Janice is a member of the Junior Progress Club and the First Presbyterian Church.

For two years her steady has been Jim Carlson, an Adams grad, who is stationed with the army in Virginia. She likes to see a boy in dark brown pants and a beige sweater.

In the food line she favors chicken and cherry pie. She likes to play the piano, cook, write letters, and knit (a khaki sweater did we say?).

Her favorite records are "Till Then" by the Mills Brothers and "In My Own Quiet Way" by Julius LaRosa.



What would your reaction be to seeing Mr. Laiber in Bermuda shorts and knee socks?

Janet Golba — I'd assume an attitude of puzzled bewilderment!

Lynne Thomas — I'd have my eyes checked!

Jim Hoehn — It'd be sharp!

Deanna Palm — Ohh, what a cool cat!

Jack Parker — I don't even know the man!

Gwen Garwood — I'd loan him a pair of sun glasses!

Nancy Champaigne — I'd be switched!

Don Caron — I'd take a second look!

Kay Cantwell — My, he'd look neat!

Meredith Metcalf — Doodness!!

Dave Rogers — What is it!!

Chuck Bowman — Does his wife know he's loose?

Jean Freshour — Mmmmm boy!

Jim Kanouse — His wife must have a lot to say in their house!

Linn Wickizer — Nice-un huh-Nice!

Wendy Heron — Check those crazy door-knobs!!

Barbara Hatton — What about that!

Kent Keller — Das wurden schich sein!

**KOREAN WAR ORPHAN
WRITES TO COUNCIL**

(Cont'd from page one)

It is already passed about two years I am being given with such gracious help of all of you. However, I have never been received with a letter from one of you all. Indeed I am lonely without mere letter from you yet.

I truly don't know where all of you are living in the United State and what kind school all of you have been attending these days. I often look that other foster children receive very gladly a letter or some pictures from their foster parents every month. Whenever I look these children I am very envy them.

After all of you received this letter from me, please write me a interesting letter surely. Indeed I am looking forward to a letter of all of you. Then please let me know about good news of your school. I also will write all of you about other interesting news. Today I will end with this. I pray all of you may are good healthy and happy always.

Yours sincerely,
Your friend,
Park Yung Ja.

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Dear foster parents:

Are you quite well dear foster parents? We are all well at home. I promoted to the 6th grade and study hard. Thank you very much for your nice presents. I hope that you are also study very hard. I like art and dancing. I am going to be a good player and to be proude of it to you all.

It is raining in Pusan. Many orphans come here, the Plan Office to be helped. I am one of them.

Then, I will close this letter for now, praying to God for your good health and happiness.

With all my love,
Park Yung Ja.

**Adam and Eve's
Advice for the Forlorn**

Dear Aunt Eve,

I go steady with a real dream. Bob is 6 feet tall, has black curly hair, and dark brown eyes. He is captain of the varsity basketball team, and plays quarterback on the football team. He is sweet and understanding and swell about taking me out in his Buick "Skylark." There is only one thing I dislike about him, and we broke up over it—he has a small mole behind his left ear. What can I do?

Confused.

Dear Confused,

The solution to your problem is a very simple one. Talk Bob into either having one ear removed, because one ear with no moles is better than two with a mole, or have him paint his whole head the color of the mole. If he does one of these you'll know he likes you and I'm sure it will solve your problem.

Aunt Eve.

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Dear Uncle Adam,

The other day I let my girl friend drive my car. She smashed in the fender which cost me \$80 to get fixed. I became very angry with her, and now she won't see me anymore. What can I do to show her that I'm sorry and have forgiven her?

Frustrated.

Dear Frustrated,

Let her go out and smash in the other fender. Then she will know you have really forgiven her.

Uncle Adam.



National Newspaper Week is to be celebrated October 1-8. John Adams will participate by having the Tower editor, Janice Rugee, and the faculty adviser of the Tower, Miss Rowell, attend the Kiwanis Club luncheon, Thursday, October 7, at the LaSalle Hotel, when that organization will show recognition to high school journalists. Several copies of the September 24 and October 1 issues will be included in the display the Club is arranging.

The Tower staff will also welcome any high school student who is interested in journalism to come to room 207 to inquire about the phases of newspaper work and to sign up if he is interested in joining the Tower activities.

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Eagles Meet Riley in Third ENIHSC Tilt

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Feathers and fur will be flying all over School Field tonight when the Adams Eagles meet the Riley Wildcats in the first game played between two city schools this season. Unless the game ends in a tie, one of these two teams will have an undefeated record marred and will be knocked out of the number one spot in the conference. At this date Adams, Riley, and Washington are tied for the league lead.

Adams has downed two conference rivals beating Mishawaka 30 to 13 and LaPorte 21 to 12. In the first game of the season, which was not a conference tilt, Adams defeated Lew Wallace of Gary 20 to 6.

All of Riley's games were counted in the league. They defeated Fort Wayne North Side, Elkhart, and Goshen.

No matter which way the score goes this promises to be one of the best games of the season.

Reserves Edge City; Lose to Cavemen

On September 20, the "B" team edged the Michigan City Red Devils 6 to 0 for their first victory of the season. Don Severied scored the only touchdown after Jerry Williams recovered a Red Devil fumble on the City one yard line. Both teams threatened numerous times but were unable to cross the goal. The "B" squad's record now stands at 1 win and 1 loss with 5 games remaining. Mishawaka dealt the Eagles their first defeat last week, 12 to 0.

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EAGLES DOWN SLICERS FOR THIRD STRAIGHT

Downing LaPorte's Slicers 21 to 12, the Adams Eagles continued the 1954 football season undefeated, and gained a tie with Washington and Riley for the number one spot in the conference. Riley has won three straight while Adams and Washington have won two conference tilts.

The Eagles drove 74 yards for their marker after Billy Baird recovered a LaPorte fumble on our own 26 yard line. Featured in the drive was a 49-yard pass from Robbins to VanDusen who carried the ball to the LaPorte 5 yard line. Two plays later VanDusen smashed over from the one.

In the second quarter Troeger recovered another Slicer fumble on the Eagles' 22. Baird and VanDusen worked the ball to the 49. On the next play Larry Wygant took the ball on a reverse, and raced 51 yards for the touchdown behind superb blocking. The half ended with Adams leading 14 to 0.

LaPorte scored their first touchdown in the third period when Dick Surorwiec scored from the 6 inch line after an 81-yard march.

Adams final tally came in the fourth quarter on a 79-yard march climaxed by a long pass from Robbins to Troeger in the end zone.

With about two minutes left in the ball game, LaPorte again crossed the goal to make the final score 21 to 12.

Eagle Distance Men Lose Two Meets

In Adams second cross-country meet of the season they were downed by Bremen 17 to 44. They also lost their third meet of the season to Mishawaka and LaPorte. Mishawaka beat them 15 to 50 and LaPorte defeated them 18 to 43.

In the Bremen meet Fisher of Bremen took the top honors with a time of 10:05 for the slightly under two mile course. Manges of Bremen took a second. Pete Smith, Adams first man to reach the finish line, finished fourth. Bob DeCrane of Adams took a seventh place and was followed by Butch West of Adams who took ninth place. Chuck DeCrane and Dennis Britton took eleventh and thirteenth places, respectively.

In the triangle meet between Adams, Mishawaka, and LaPorte, Lubes of LaPorte nosed out Williams of Mishawaka to take first place in the meet. The meet was run at Eberhart Golf Course. Adams first man was Chuck DeCrane. Adams cross-country team now has a record of 0 wins and 3 defeats.

They met Michigan City Monday and participated in a triangular meet held here Thursday; results and details in next week's paper.

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Netmen Win; Then Lose

On September 21 the Adams netmen defeated Mishawaka 3 to 2 on the Mishawaka courts for Adams' second victory of the season. Chuck Christman and Dick Green, playing in the number two and three spots respectively, won their singles and teamed up to take the deciding point in doubles. Dave Freedburg lost his number one singles and the team of Freedburg-Pettit was defeated accounting for the Cavemen's two points.

Two days later the Eagles succumbed to a 3 to 2 defeat at the hands of LaPorte. The Slicers won two of the singles matches and one doubles to guarantee a victory. At the end of this match the tennis team's record stood at two wins and two losses.

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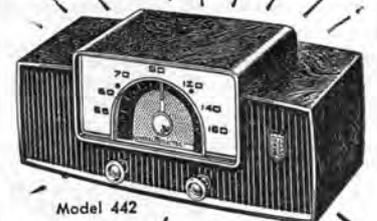
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