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# Ritter Receives Adams D.A.R. A ward



Some of the officers of the John Adams Senior Glee Club are, seated, Bob Grant, assistant to the president; Charlene Colip, secretary; Carl Phillipoff, president. Standing are Sue Anderson, assistant to the vice President: Larry Robison, business manager; Nancy Tompkins, secretary; Dan McCoy, treaurer; Cathy Fischgrand, vice president; and Anita Clayton, treasurer.

#### **GLEE CLUBS PREPARE FOR VESPERS** SER

The Adams Glee Clubs are this week beginning to work in earnest on their annual Christmas Vespers Service, which will be presented Sunday, December 13.

A committee of Glee Club members has already selected the numbers that will be sung for the Service; prospective soloists have begun work in preparation for solo tryouts; and students have started singing and memorizing some of the Christmas numbers.

This fall two major changes took place in the Adams Glee Club organization. Mr. Daniel Miller became the second chorus teacher, and a third glee club, the Junior Glee Club, was added to the already established Senior and Prep Glee Clubs.

The Junior group is a prerequisite for Senior membership and meets three mornings a week with Mr. Miller.

#### **Singers Perform for Teachers**

During past week singers prepared for participation in the North Central Festival Chorus. This Chorus, which includes a certain percentage of members of all Northern Indiana high school glee clubs, rehearsed all day Thursday, October 22, and sang that evening for the North Central Teachers' Association.

Mr. Gerhardt Schroth of Chicago, the guest conductor, led the seven choral numbers.

Those who plan to audition for leads in the four-high school musical to be given this spring, The Gypsy Baron, have also been rehearsing in their spare time

The officers who plan and lead Glee Club activities such as these include Carl Phillipoff, president; Bob Grant, assistant president; Cathy Fischgrund, vice president; Sue Anderson, assistant; and Larry Robison, business manager.

### **Juniors Pick Members To Serve On Cabinet**

Last week, each junior home room elected two representatives to the Junior Cabinet. The main responsibility of the cabinet members is to successfully plan the Junior Prom. The prom will be held on Friday, April 22, 1960.

Tom Zimmer was elected President of the cabinet. The other officers are as follows: Suzanne Smith, Secretary; and Caroline Jones, Treasurer. Mr. Jesse Whitcomb is the sponsor of the Class of '61.

#### **Frosh Plan Frolic**

Plans are now being formulated for the annual Freshman Frolic by the freshman sponsor, Miss Betty Farner, and her committee.

The date set for the dance is November 6. It will be held at Adams from 7:00-10:00 p.m. Tickets are 50 cents per person and must be purchased prior to the time of the dance.

The freshmen are urged not to get dates as the purpose of the dance is to get them better acquainted with one another. School clothes will be appropriate for the girls. The boys

# Honor Society To Hold Fall Induction

The fall induction of the John Adams High School National Honor Society will be held on Tuesday, November 3. At that time, fifteen individuals or five percent of the senior class will be inducted. Only those students who rank in the upper onethird of the senior class are eligible.

The members of the faculty vote for those eligible students on the basis of their leadership, character, and service qualities. A point system is used. Five points is the highest number anyone may receive in a particular area. Four points denotes superiority; three is good; two, average; and one, below average.

Mr. Thomas Keiser, the faculty advisor of the National Honor Society, tabulates these scores. He does not make final selections.

Top Forty Submitted to Faculty

The names of the top forty students derived from this tabulation will be submitted to the high school faculty committee. These faculty members make all final screenings. It is through these various steps that the fifteen inductees will be chosen.

Juniors and seniors only, will be attending the solemn candlelight ceremony. Following the induction. a tea for the new members and their parents will be held in the cafeteria.

Those members of the Class of '61 who meet the stated qualifications will be eligible for induction in the spring.

### **'VOCAL AIRES' TO** PERFORM AT ADAMS

On November 5, Mr. Ray Lockett, director of one of the finest mixed quartets ever offered to high schools and colleges, will present his "Vccal Aires," to the student body of Adams.

Mr. Lockett was an Arthur Godfrey Talent Scout winner. He has recorded for Decca Records; sung in innumerable musicals; and is a veteran of that world famed De Paur Infantry Chorus. These experiences, in addition to his fine musical training, made possible the success of his "Vocal Aires."

Their repertoire is extensive and includes classical music, folk songs, American Negro spirituals, songs from Porgy and Bess, and some of the more current hits.

may wear sport coats if they so choose.

Each home room has elected a representative to help plan the various arrangements of the dance. These representatives are: Lonnie Black, Mike Chamberlain, Janice Dobecki, Nancy Graff, Joyce Jodon, Jeaneen Lawrence, Dave Martin, Steve Rannells, Judy Shook, and Charlotte Sczewezyk.

### **Honor Cites Winner** As Notable Citizen

The 1959-60 John Adams faculty committee for the selection of a senior girl recipient of the Indiana Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen award has selected Marijane

Ritter. She was chosen on the basis of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

The winners from each of the high schools in the county will take a test on November 14, to

determine the county winner. This test will cover United States history and local current events.

The winner of the county award will have her paper judged with those of winners of other counties throughout the state. From these, a state Good Citizen will be chosen. Second and third place winners will also be chosen by the judges, and ten girls will be given Honorable Mention.

Marijane actively participates in extra-curricular activities and is coindex editor of the 1960 Album, a member of the Eagle Ethics Committee, and of National Honor Society. She is also an accompanyist for the Senior Glee Club, and a writer for the TOWER. Her hobbies include music, sewing and reading. Marijane would like to attend Wheaton College in Wheaton, Inllinois, where she plans a career in elementary educa-

# **Government Students** Become Congressmen

For the past several weeks, the American Government classes of Mr. Robert Rensberger and Mr. Donald Truex have met and functioned as does the Congress of the United States.

Bills have been introduced pertaining to matters within Adams, South Bend, and the United States. These hills were sent to various committees and sub-committees in the House and Senate depending upon the nature of the bills and where they were introduced.

When a bill is passed in the government classes and considered of practical importance, it is taken to the "President," Mr. Rothermel, to be approved and acted upon. If he vetoes a bill, the classes do not override the veto.

Bills introduced by Adams lawmakers include: establishment of a student court, a student lounge, and a student parking lot. Other bills urged: the introduction of a theology course in high schools, the wearing of corsages at school dances, and the is-(Cont'd on Page 3, Col. 2)

Marijane Ritter

### COURAGE

In a place where there are no men, strive thou to be a man. Have you ever been dared or urged to do something you think is wrong? What have you done in this case? Did you go ahead and go

against your conviction or did you stand up for what you believe? To be a non-conformist in this case takes much courage and bravery. To go along with the gang is the easy course to follow, but could and does result in serious trouble many times.

Whether you realize it or not, you need courage to face final exams, unit tests, or even the seemingly easy quizes. How many times does it happen that one knows the material over which the test is being given but yet fails it because he was afraid he might miss a question or two? If you know the material, why should you be afraid that you will flunk it? The best way to face this test is to accept it confidently, think straightly and clearly, and put the answer down.

Athletes also need courage to face rough opponents and still be able to do their best. They remember that the players are the same as they are, and put their pants on the same way—one leg at a time. Giving their best is all they can do and athletes do not need fear defeat if they give all they have.

By using bravery throughout our daily lives, we can face the problems of our world and conquer them by standing up straight and --D. S. trying our best.

## **An Influential Student Council**

It is almost impossible to measure the importance of Congress in the democratic system of the United States. It is the voice of the people in a government of the people. The significance of Congress to United States democracy is truly immeasurable.

If the powers of Congress were removed, the whole purpose of American democracy would be abandoned. The government of the people would be taken away from the people and given to a few. The influence of the people would be thrown out. It is not feasible to say what United States government would be like without a powerful Congress.

The powers of a student body expressed through the student council are just as important to the success of a high school as the powers of Congress are to the government of the United States. The student council is the voice of the students who comprise the high school. Together with the faculty, if its opinions are properly voiced, it should have a great influence on school policies. The student council is, in a sense, the Congress of a high school.

The high school without a strong student council is much like the United States government without a strong Congress. The in-fluence of the student body is thrown out. The government of that high school does not have the benefit of knowing the feelings and opinions of the students. The high school which has no strong student council can be paralleled to a United States government without Congress to represent the people.

Every high school without exception should strive to have a strong student council which will put forth the views of the student -A. F. body.

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### Won't You Help?

Our P.T.A. membership is 872 just 71 members short of winning the Oak Tree Award.

Won't you help out by urging your parents to send their membership to the school office, or to your home room mother?

### **Debaters To Travel** To West Lafayette

On Saturday, October 31, four members of the Debate Club and their sponsor, Mr. Devon Bates, will travel to Purdue University at West Lafayette, Indiana.

The topic to be debated is: Resolved: That the Federal Government should substantially increase its labor legislation. Taking the affirmative are Sandy Janovsky and Karl King. Elizabeth Hodes and Bob Grant are working on the negative.

### The Thinker" **By Berton Braley**

Back of the beating hammer By which the steel is wrought,

Back of the workshop's clamor The seeker may find the thought;

The thought that is ever master Of iron and steam and steel.

That rises above disaster And tramples it under heel.

The drudge may fret and tinker, Or labor with lusty blows,

But back of him stands the thinker, The clear-eyed man who knows;

For into each plow or sabre, Each piece and part and whole, Must go the brains of labor

Which give the work a soul.

Back of the motor's humming,

Back of the belts that sing, Back of the hammer's drumming, Back of the cranes that swing,

There is the eye which scans them,

Watching through stress and strain, There is the mind which plans them-Back of the brawn, the brain.

Might of the roaring boiler,

Force of the engine's thrust, Strength of the sweating toiler,

Greatly in these we trust. But back of them stands the schemer,

The thinker who drives things through;

Back of the job-the dreamer, Who's making the dream come true.

# ADAMS TV GUIDE

"Sports Special"-Dave Stout. "Youth Takes A Stand" - Mr. Crow's Study Hall.

"Beat the Clock"-gobbling down lunch.

"Private Secretary"-Karen Hendrickson.

"Big Payoff"-Induction into National Honor Society.

"Amateur Hour"-Little Theater during lunch.

"This is Your Life"-Good ole Adams.

"Concentration" - test-time.

"Blondie"-Judy Bennett. "Out of This World" - Teachers'

Institute. "Extra-sensory Perception"--foretelling Teacher's announcement of

The Big Exam. "I've Got A Secret"-Material in

Four Corners. "Calvalcade of Sports" - Adams

sports schedule. "Friday Night Fights"-Aw, Dad,

lemme use the car! "The Line-Up"-roll call of boy's

gym. "Press Conference" - Thursday

P. M. in the Tower room. "The Brighter Day"-no school tomorrow.

"Live and Learn"-reaction after

test. "You Asked for It" - poor-work slips.

"Name That Tune" — Music Appreciation class.

"Trackdown" — search for lost books.

"The Guiding Light"-faculty. "Treasure Hunt"-search for those

"A's".

"Homemaker's Time" - Home Ec. class. "It Could be You!"-Tower sub-

scriber of the Week.



Well, Bonnie Sulkey, what IS this about your getting the book "Sleeping Beauty" for your birthday? Gee, maybe if you're real-special good, you'll get "Alice in Wonderland" next year. Seem like a certain sophomore with the first initial of Steve can't decide between Carol Roelke and Terri Van Sleet. There's an old saying that "there's one in every class" - and the freshmen claim to have elected Dave Zieger for the "position." Scandal; red-hot, juicy, savory scandal: Mrs. Hodes' classes watched STRIP FILMS recently. Judy Jones, haven't you been seen somewhere lately? Ah, yes, running around under (?) the west bleachers. Miss Caron Moore: are you REALLY an FFF? (French-fryfiend). At the Adams-Mishawaka game Mary Wyllie was seen sitting on the Mish. side-but lovally cheering for Adams. The "C Lunch Boys" are now DANCING (No, your eyes are not deceiving you-the word was really DANCING!), thanks to an idea by Tom Brandley and initiated by Dave Mickelsen. Speaking of the latter personage, have you all been introduced to his newest talent-that of composing poetry?

O ugly little dwarf in your ugly little home.

Come out and show thyself you spastic, shrimpled gnome.

Come out and show thy dance

O you of condemn-ed life-Yes, leap and bound and prance; I've brought for you a wife!

She was so very small and gory; Her fame was quite well read.

Did I say "was?"-I'm sorry.-

I thought you knew, she's dead.

Joyce Lemontree, do you or do you not enjoy drinking pencils along with your milk? Why IS Jane Aronson sometimes reluctant to dance in the Little Theater? Why aren't there boys in the 6th hr., Monday and Wednesday chorus class? This bit of news is rather stale, but it's still worth mentioning: Kaye Hamilton is a big girl this year-she's promised not to cry at a single pep assembly !! Have you heard about the class that doesn't get lunch this year?-for particulars see Donna Horvath and Mr. Seaborg! Congratulations to Jim Howerton are cordially extended this week for that accomplishment of accomplishments: getting into a Home Ec class! Trving for the "Homemaker of the Year' award, Jim? It would be appreciated by ALL if Ted Lapham would explain just why he's called TED and not ED!! Just room left for the Definition of the Week: "HEAD-a nob on the end of the spinal cord that keeps it from unraveling." (contributed by A Teacher Who Gets His Name Printed Much Too Often in This Column, So We Won't Print It This Week.)

### **Senior Snitches**

A little speech overheard at play practice: Mr. Brady - "June Rosenstein, this is NOT a burlesque!" . . . Bill Hammes, what's this about you not crossing your legs in a lady-like position?! . . . Joan DeShon, hear you and a certain teacher have fun playing "toss-the-lightbulb" . . . All you guys who want directions on growing a good head of hair, see Dave Mickelsen and Lee Chaden. Many of our fair sex have resorted to pony-tails lately in place of their traditional long locks-for example: J. R., K. M., J. S., and C.B. . . . What senior girl with the initials C.F. has a favorite saying of, "Well, pin a rose on your nose!"? Roger Foley, a little birdie tells me that those agonizing screams of torture weren't "for real" a couple of weeks ago in 4th Hr. English. - How DARE you deceive us!!! ... Pat Biddle-why DO poets sit up in attics? Is it really only to WRITE POETRY? . Rosy Apger, why the particular devotion to a recently-visiting congressman? . . . Andy Mihail, would you care to repeat your original expression, meaning "to kill; to stop; to arrest," that you recently applied to a 5th Hr. Government bill?!! . . . Barb Sostack, hear you have an ingenious method for acquiring cake recipes! . . . Bob Golomb - what Adams faculty member do you always see "going west"!!? ... Bulletin: The Student Council Board has formed a highly-capable football squad and is planning to challenge a certain SOUTH BEND TEAM . . . However, there is still some doubt as to who will fill the positions in the starting line-up, so announcement of the date of the contest will be withheld until this major question is settled. Stand by for further notice! . . . Congratulations are in order for two of our best seniors. Wilma Sewart and Barry Liss, for recently representing Adams so well in the Junior Roundtable! . . Janice Weiss, we, fellow female classmates of the Class of '60, ENVY YOU - going steady with 7 different illustrious senior guys in ONE WEEK! Remember, Seniors, speak and act with care! — One of "US" is always observing you! We are ready at all times to add your name to "Senior Snitches"!

### Swiss Exchange Student Looking Forward To Active Year At Adams

Marc Volland (which in English means "to fly") ,comes from Geneva Switzerland, and is here in South Bend as a representative of the American Field Service Organization.

While in South Bend, and attending John Adams, Marc is living with Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Smith and their son Phil, who is a sophemore at Adams.

Mr. Volland, Marc's father, is the Head Master of a Machinists' Apprentice School in Geneva. The Volland family is very close and share many of the same interests. One activity in particular which they all enjoy and participate in together is the care and cultivation of their small flower garden.

One of the experiences which Marc says that he will never forget was his opportunity to attend as a delegate, the Youth Conference at Conference Point Camp, Lake Geneva, Williams Bay, Wisconsin. Phil and Marc were sponsored by the Sunnyside Presbyterian Church.

Marc likes the United States very much. However, he feels that thus far he has seen only some of the better aspects of it. He has not yet decided if he would like to live here permanently.

#### Studies of Primary Importance

His life at Adams is primarily centered around his studies. He is taking English V, Trigonometry I, Speech I, and U. S. History I. He enjoys all of his classes very much.

Marc prefers our schools to those in Switzerland because of the closeness between the teachers and the students. He feels that in our schools the student is an individual, not just a number in a crowd. Marc also said that it seems to him to be much easier to make friends in America than in Switzerland.

To you, his fellow students, Marc urges more interest in the American Field Service program. It is very important to realize that A. F. S. is not a political or religious organization but, its purpose is friendship and understanding, through the youth, among the nations of the world.

#### Student Congressmen

(Cont'd from Page 3, Col. 4) suing of athletic scholarships. Two bills even applied to the National Government. These bills sponsored the abolishment of capital punishment and of the electoral college.

Even as the Adams Congress was in session, Mr. Alonzo Goldsberry's classes have held national political conventions. A site was selected, a national chairman was elected, and a platform was drawn up. The representatives from the various sections of the country, wore costumes typical of their area.

The purpose of these activities is to further the students understanding of the government of the United States.

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### SUE HARLAN SUBSCRIBER OF WEEK

This week, the **Tower** salutes Sue Harlan, senior, as Subscriber of the Week! Sue is a member of Mr. Stillman's home room 211. She is now studying clothing, chemistry, English, and American Government. When asked which of these was her favorite, Sue replied, "Chemistry!"

Her favorite extra-curricular activity this year is Junior Achievement. However, Sue spends most of her spare time baby-sitting. "As an example," says Sue, "I spent 26 hours sitting two weeks ago!"

The Everly Brothers rate highest on Sue's list of popular singers and "Till I Kissed Ya" is her favorite record. When asked about her favorite food, Sue didn't take long to exclaim, "Pizza!"

Sue says she loves Adams, especially the friendliness and cheerfulness of the students. She's looking forward to graduation, but at the same time, will be sorry to leave A. H. S. Right now, her vocation and future plans are undecided. Best of luck to you. Sue, whatever your future holds in store!

It's still not too late for YOU to subcsribe to the Tower and become eligible to be our Tower Subscriber of the Week. See your home room representative for your subscription, if you haven't already done so!



### PRIDDY TOMPSETT PHOTOGRAPHERS



ANN MAC LEAN - ADAM JUNIOR

# Goshen To Visit Eagles This Evening

# **Blazers Hand Eagles** Third Loss of Year

Last Wednesday night saw the Adam's eleven bow to the Elkhart Blazers, 20-0.

The Eagles held the Blazer's attack during the first stanza with needed help from several key fumbles by Blazer backs, but after the scoreless quarter, the Elkhart attack began to roll and was never really stopped for rest of the night.

Elkhart's first touchdown came midway through the second period on a 34-yard pass-and-run play, climaxing a 90-yard march. The conversion was good and Elkhart led 7-0.

Again in the second quarter with three minutes remaining, Moyese Williams, the left halfback for Elkhart plunged four yards for the sec-ond score at the end of a 58-yard drive.

With seconds remaining in the first half, quarterback Mickey Stricklen shoveled a screen pass to fullback Dave Stout who carried the ball down to the Blazer 14, only to have time run out before a scoring play could be attempted.

The Eagles started the initial drive in the second half only to lose the ball on a funmble at mid-field. After marching to the Adams two in five plays, fullback Larry Gall plunged the final two yards for Elkhart's third score.

With less than two minutes remaining Bob Smith intercepted a pass and took it to the Blazer 17-yard line. The Eagles went down to the two only to fumble away their last chance.

Since this was a non-conference game, the Adams conference record still stands at 3-1 with its overall record, 4-3.

### **Freshmen Fall At** Hands of Goshen Frosh

The Adams freshmen footballers, under the coaching of "Cas" Swartz and "Mo" Aronson, traveled to Goshen on Wednesday, October 21, and were handed their fifth loss in six attempts, as they were blanked by a 6-0 count.

Goshen pushed across its lone score in the initial stanza. This proved to be the margin of victory, as neither team was able to dent the scoring column from that point on.



### Thinlies Take Part In Annual Events

During the past two weeks the Eagle cross country team participated in three annual meets.

At the City Meet held on October 13, the Eagle runners finished fourth behind Riley, Washington, and Central in that order.

On October 16, at the Conference Meet at LaPorte the Adams squad placed 15th out of the 22 participating teams.

The thinlies came in ninth at the Sectional Meet at Erskine on October 20.

### LaPorte, Riley Hand **Defeats to Beagles**

The Beagles, after losing to LaPorte and Riley in their last two encounters, possess a season's record of 2 wins and 6 losses.

The Beagles fell to the LaPorte "B" team by a 19-6 score on the Adams practice field on October 19.

On October 26, the Beagles traveled across town only to lose to their cityrival the Riley Bees 2-0. The Riley score came on a safety in the waning moments of the third quarter.

### ADAMS WHIPS RILEY FOR FOURTH WIN

On October 17, the Adams Eagles gained their fourth victory of the season by outlasting Riley's winless Wildcats 7-6 at School Field Stadium.

The Eagles scored in the opening moments of play with a sustained march after receiving the opening kick off. Dave Stout went over from six yards out and Lonnie Glassburn added the extra-point to give the Eagles a 7-0 lead.

The lead stood pat until midway in the fourth period when Riley quarterback Bob Foor tossed a scoring pass to end Rodney Sipe. However, Foor's conversion attempt missed and the Eagles clung to a 7-6 win.

# FROM AL

by Al From After the Eagles were defeated by

Elkhart's Blazers last Wednesday night, the question of the effect that the scheduling of week night games has on the players comes up. A football team usually has five, six, or seven days to rest between games. However, twice this season the Eagles have played on a number of rest days vastly different from the usual. Both times the Eagles were defeated. Against Washington the Eagles played on ten days of rest and aginst Elkhart they played on only three days rest. . . . Whether this had any bearing on the outcome of the games cannot be said. . .

Early Wynn the 22-game winner of the Chicago White Sox is the best example of the effect that rest has on an athlete. In 1958 Manager Al Lopez started Wynn every fifth day and the big righthander won only fourteen games, but this season Lopez gave Wynn a start every four days and he responded with 22 victories. The extra day of rest caused Wynn to be stale on the mound and not exhibit his best stuff.

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Mark Camblin is FROM AL'S selection as the top Eagle lineman over the last two games, while quarterback Mickey Stricklin looms as the top back. Camblin's sure blocking and outstanding defensive play have made him a top performer over the last two seasons. Stricklen has improved greatly both in his passing and in his ball handling as he leads the Eagle offense. . . . Mention must be made of the fine job that Lonnie "the toe" Glassburn has been doing as an extra point kicker for the Eagles. In his last four games Glassburn has not missed one PAT that he has attempted.

**Gridders to Face Once-Beaten** 'Skins In ENIHSC Game

The Goshen Redskins of Coach Don Yoder, one of the finest prep football teams in the state of Indiana, will invade School Field Stadium tonight to do battle with the John Adams Eagles of Coach Bob Scannell. The Redskins fresh from a 33-0 shellacking of Fort Wayne South Side boast an overall season's record of six wins against a single setback, while the Eagles own a four win, three loss mark.

The game looms as a crucial battle for second spot in the ENIHSC as both elevens are currently tied for the spot with identical league slates of three wins and one defeat. Elkhart, Michigan City and LaPorte are also tied for second place.

The Redskins are led by an experienced backfield unit headed by All-Conference quarterback Jim Yoder, son of the coach. A southpaw thrower, Yoder is probably the most dangerous long passer in the loop. Joining Yoder in the backfield are speedy halfbacks Bud Smith and Bill Johnson, and blockbusting fullback Dan Berkey.

The Beagles under Coach Joe Laiber conclude their season on Monday afternoon when they tangle with the Washington Bees on the Adams practice field.

The tennis, cross-country, and frosh football teams have all ended their 1959 campaigns.



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