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Working on the FTA Doughnut Sale are: seated, Donna Gillett, standing, Judy Denslow, Mr. Drapek, and Ric Colbert.

INSTITUTES OFFERED IN SUMMER

Each year the Scientists of Tomorrow sponsor various institutes at different universities during the summer. These institutes are designed to help high school students decide which field they desire to major in before they enter college, thus avoiding costly program changes in college.

This summer, eighteen departments of twelve colleges and universities, in cooperation with Oregon-based Scientists of Tomorrow, are holding one- or two-week orientation institutes in major areas of learning for those students who are trying to decide "what to do".

If interested in sciences or engineering, apply to JESSI. Or, if you prefer liberal arts studies relating to communication in human relations, (philosophy, psychology, sociology, economics, etc.), apply to CASSI. There are also specialized orientation experiences offered in Business Management, Dentistry, Law and Professional Forestry.

Applications to the various institutes can be obtained in the Tower Office. For more information, see Miss Burns.

NEWS FLASH!

The TOWER extends its congratulations to Rhonda Shapiro who has been selected to travel to England this summer. Her trip will be sponsored by the Civil Air Patrol, of which she has been a member for about four years.

Doughnuts Anyone?

The Future Teachers Association is presently holding a Doughnut sale. Doughnuts may be ordered from any F.T.A. member, or from Mr. Drapek in room 238. They are being sold for 75 cents per dozen, or 40 cents per half dozen.

The money earned in the sale, which began February twenty-first, and will end March sixth, will be used for the club's annual convention of Future Teacher's chapters throughout the state. The convention will be held in Indianapolis on March thirtieth.

All Doughnuts will be delivered to the home on Saturday, March ninth, 1968.

News In Brief

SENIORS

Don't forget about Achievements tomorrow!

CONGRATS

To Celine Krizmanich and Pat Jackson for winning first place (a six pack of Mountain Dew) in the "best costume" contest at the Sadie Hawkin's Dance.

To Joni Samuels and Tony Pfeifer who won second, and to Linda Strouse and Jim Herreman, who won third.

HEY FROSH!

Your dance is tonight--Don't forget to go!

DOUGHNUTS

Does that sound good! Order one from any FTA member or from Mr. Drapek in room 238.

Merit Finalists Announced

Last fall, the TOWER was proud to announce that nine Adams seniors had been named national merit semi-finalists. Now the TOWER is proud to announce that all nine of the semi-finalists have been named finalists.

The nine national merit finalists are: Janet Keith, Chris Larson, Brenda Nelson, Marlene Otter, John Prescott, Jeff Robinson, Dennis Rothermel, Mollie Sandock, and Mike True.



To qualify as a National Merit finalist, the students' SAT scores had to meet certain requirements set up by the Scientific Research Associates Foundation. Any finalist chosen to receive a stipend will be named later this spring.

Happiness is. . .

going to the
Freshman dance



After much planning, the class of '72 will have their dance tonight. The theme is "Happiness is Being a Freshman". "Benjamin Franklin's Almanac" will provide the music for the affair. Tickets must be purchased in advance because they will not be sold at the door. The price of each ticket is one dollar, which includes a coke or 7-Up and a bag of potato chips. The dance will start at 7:30 and will end promptly at 10:00. School attire is required so remember the school code. Mrs. Weir, class sponsor, and Mrs. Gadomski, social chairman of the school will be chaperones.

The student chairman of the dance is Kathy Molenda, assisted by Debbie Schrager. The ticket and reservation chairmen are

Kathi Barker and Mary Wertheimer. The chairmen of the decorations committee are Vicki De Ryckere, Carol Voyles, and Cindy Martin. Chairmen of publicity are Ric Colbert, Rick Patterson, and Vicky Ford. The chairmen of the refreshment committee are Sharon Kasper and Nancy Holsinger. Chairman of the clean-up committee is Jim Ritter.

The freshmen dance should be a real success because the freshmen class is the biggest class at Adams. The dance will be on the gym floor, so everyone should either wear tennys, or be prepared to dance in their socks.

The dance committee has everything ready for your entertainment, freshmen, so support your class and come to the dance and have a blast!



Committee Chairmen for the Freshman Dance are, from left to right, 1st row: Kathy Barker, Debbie Schrager, Kathy Molenda, Nancy Holsinger, and Sharon Kasper. 2nd row: Ric Colbert, Carol Voyles, Cindy Martin, Vicki DeRyckere, Mary Wertheimer, and Jim Ritter.

"Thanks" to All Who Helped

I think I speak for my entire staff when I express my humble thanks to the administration and faculty of John Adams for their cooperation and enthusiasm which allowed us to hold the Sadie Hawkins Dance last Friday. Special commendation goes to Mrs. Miller whose costume was the best of the evening. Special thanks goes to Mrs. Gadowski who spent much time in arranging for the chaperones and organizing out of school dates. An extra expression of gratitude goes to Mr. Landry and Mr. Pryzbysz who not only had faith in our attempts but also ran the costume judging contest.

To Mr. Kraft, Mr. Griffith, and Mr. Steinke, I express my thanks for helping the dance run smoothly. To Mrs. Myers, my sponsor, I can only say that I deeply appreciate all the help she gave us to make the dance a success.

I cannot begin to name everyone else who helped make the dance a success. To my committee chairmen, my staff, committee members, and all the others who helped in the skit and in selling tickets, I say thank you. I must not forget another group of people whose help was invaluable, the janitorial staff. Their kindness will always be remembered.

Finally, I thank all those who came to the dance. I hope all in attendance enjoyed themselves and that next year more people will support the TOWER through attendance at their dance.

Barb Natkow
Editor-in-chief

Don't Be Surprised

If you went to the Sadie Hawkins Day Dance, don't read this article. If you had a good excuse as why you didn't go or just didn't care, then you had better read on. The reason why you should read this is to understand some of the reasons why another Sadie Hawkins Dance may be impossible.

Some of "the leaders of the 'senior' class" have found it to their advantage to rebel. They use the ideas that the administration won't let them do anything, say anything, or try anything new. The TOWER received permission to sponsor a dance on a special theme. The result we all know. For the first time the "leaders" got their way and then they stayed home or went out and played in the SNOW. It seems sad to plan a dance for the school, and for that matter the entire community, which met all of the wishes of the student body. The students wanted a dance to be open, be able to wear "grub" clothes and have a truly great band. All of these wishes were granted plus many more. The TOWER staff worked many hours to provide a great time for those who came, and most of you stayed home.

Don't be surprised when the Office says NO to the next dance that any club wants to have since the STUDENTS WERE GIVEN THE CHANCE AND FAILED. Many teachers will need much more than a good idea to permit another dance to be sponsored. The only thing that is saving the school from no dances at all is the all city policy of allowing clubs to have one dance per year. Many students enjoyed themselves last Friday but they cared and they will be the ones to suffer. DON'T BE SURPRISED.

Student Leader

Uptight Is. . .

- ...having a best friend who is really "out of sight" while you still wear braces.
- ...flunking your drivers test two days before the prom.
- ...finding out the chemistry quiz isn't open book after you thought it was.
- ...buying a yellow sweater on

- sale, and finding out it is not the same color yellow as your skirt.
- ...hating beer.
- ...not knowing what a guru is when everybody is talking about it, (or is it them?)

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Advertising is a Business

Everything we buy is advertised somewhere and sometime. The advertising business is in the multi-million dollar stage, and the consumer pays most of this when he buys the product.

The money spent for advertising is evident. Often a T.V. commercial is better than the program itself. Some are humorous, some sensible, others silly, but they are all fun to watch.

Ford Motor Co. for example has its car go off a ski-jump; certainly that car must be solid. The Rambler Rebel goes to Baja each week. It hits a couple of chuck holes on the way, and is covered with dust inside and out. The Rebel is "plain good, baby, good." (Swing into Don Medow sometime. He still has new '67s.) A Chevy stands on a high bluff in the majestic Arizona desert. (It gets up somehow.)

Products made for personal use are advertised on a large scale. They range from laxatives to deodorants. Medications for an upset stomach are advertised around 6:00. Its after dinner. Pills for head aches are advertised in the afternoon during the T.V. dramas; deodorants and mouth washes all day long.

Advertising is still a growing business. It has to succeed. We're going to pay for it as long as they are so great to watch.



What is the great "American Mystery?"

Marilyn Gramps - What is cool?

Sadie Hawkins - What happened to the Schmoos?

Maureen Hickey - What MUN, Dave Hill?

A person - Who runs LBJ?

Tim Shula - Why didn't Mr. Aronson follow through with his plans to be a ballet dancer?

Pat Vance - What ever happened to Baby Jane?

Anonymous - Who's not going to run on the GOP ticket?

Dennis Thomas - What happened to Zeppelin Murdock?

Ric Colbert - Johnson and the war in Vietnam.

Tammie Moore - When Mr. Laurita wants me to forget boys and take up checkers.

Larry Hajara - American girls.
Donna Howell - Who are the notorious fork benders at Adams?

Larry Moses - The sporadic vicissitudes of the intangible aspects within the individualistic thoughts on themselves.

Bob Murphy - What do Larry Moses' answers mean?

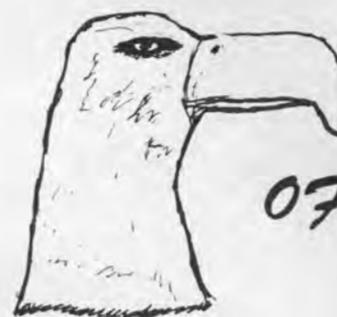
A. M. - Why the Indians sold Manhattan. What's wrong with it?

J. K. - Why we fought a war to get Texas. Who-needs it?

Patty Kasper - What this question is supposed to prove.

Barb Allin - Why isn't the basketball team winning, and who are the bashful boosters?

Bashful Boosters - The bashful boosters are us, and what happened to the cheerios, Mr. Barnbrook?



EAGLE OF THE WEEK

Chosen as this week's Eagle of the Week is the aspiring Michaelangelo of John Adams, Steve Larson. Originally from Chicago, Steve and his family moved to South Bend when he was very young, and he now expresses no desire to ever return and live in Chicago.

Steve is an active member of the Drama Club and was just recently inducted into National Thespians. He is also a good student and ranks high in the senior class.



The main interest that Steve holds is that of art. He especially enjoys painting in water color or oils, and drawing with ink. In recent years, Steve has won seven gold key awards for his work: he won the Scholastic Arts Award, was nominated for the Hallmark Honor Award, won an Honor Award in New York, and has won numerous honorable mentions for his accomplishments.

Steve has also put his talent to use in designing sets for Drama Club plays. He has worked on almost every set this year, and last year he devoted much of his time to the set for "Oklahoma!"

Other interests of Steve's include tennis, water skiing, and snow skiing. He was on the tennis team last year, but had to quit for lack of time. His art, and other things, kept him busy.

Steve feels that his senior year at Adams has been the best out of all four years. He will be glad to go on to college at Indiana University where he plans to major in art. Steve is not sure whether he plans to go into commercial or regular art, but he knows he does not want to teach the subject. Past this, his plans for the future are quite indefinite.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It is easy to see that the author that asked for "equal time" for Mike Fitzgerald and Jim Herremann has never painted a poster for Booster Club! Painting posters takes a lot of time and if this person wanted a sign painted, he was welcome on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:15 - 5:00.

Truthfully, we expected the opposite reaction to the posters. Many signs were painted by my dedicated committee. There were many signs up all over the school, the pool, the bus that went down to state, and at the swimming meet.

This person is right! It would be an inconvenience to paint separate signs for Mike and Jim (although they did deserve it). But, no matter how great swimmers they are, Adams could not have taken state if it hadn't been for the rest of the team! (There was a sign with all of the swimmers names on it, one sign, because they are a team!)

Because of the time it takes to paint, our committee painted signs that were general. It seems that these general signs served their purpose by backing the Greatest Swimming Team in the State!

Cindy McKinney
Joan Nugent

Dear Editor,

In the past few weeks, it has become increasingly difficult to gain anything from the assemblies we have had. We are beset by a small minority of loud-



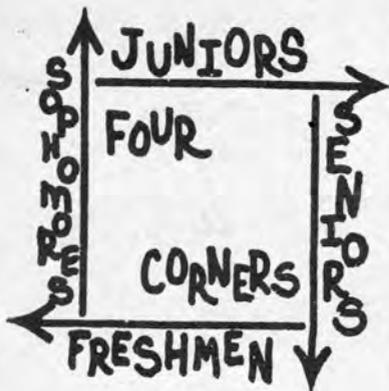
mouthered infants; to whom the reason for these convocations is incomprehensible. For this reason, they are intently set upon restricting what the rest of us may learn. That many of these people are seniors, is even more disturbing. They are supposed to be the leaders of our school. Their gauche manners are also reflected at the various basketball games, both here and away. We have recently been accredited, with many of the other city schools, as having bad manners and very poor sportsmanship. As a senior, I have become steadily disenchanted with this situation as the weeks have gone by. However, it takes more than one willing person to remedy this inexcusable problem.

J. D.

Dear Editor,

Monday, nothing earthshaking happened in Mr. Schutz's class. A Negro student and his white classmates discussed the racial problems of South Bend and the country. Frank questions were asked, and frank answers were given. People talked honestly and openly. No one came up with a grand solution to humanity's ills; in fact, no one even thought of one. A simple effort was made to

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Thanks to the Little Old Wood Chopper, Rick Cohn, the Sadie Hawkins dance had a real live dead tree for decoration!

All right, who had the hidden frog at the sophomore convocation last week, that kept going, "Ribbit, ribbit, ribbit?"

Why was Ka.en McClure so embarrassed when Billy Trowbridge found two of her love letters from Keith in his desk in Mr. Coar's class?

Eddie Wright became the first person in Mr. Kraft's class to spend a full half hour trying to work out an Algebra problem.

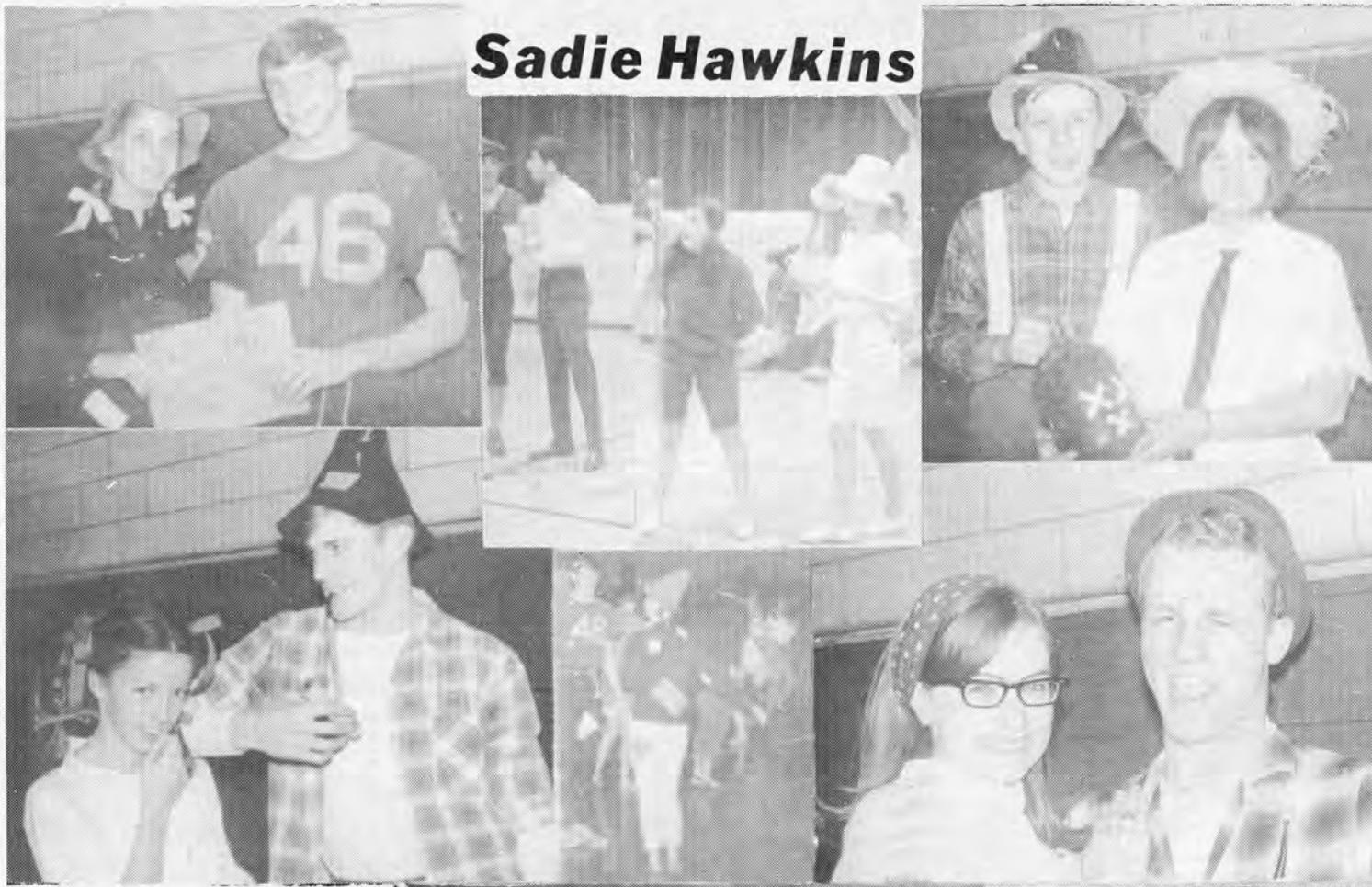
Maybe Mr. Companion missed his calling as a hair stylist. He proved that he has talent along this line when he fixed Greg Balka's unruly hair last week, with a can of hair spray.

When the sewer began backing up in Mr. Smith's fourth hour art class, and Ric Colbert was asked to turn off the water, he brightly replied, "I'm not a mechanic!"

What did Mr. Hodson mean in third hour humanities when he said, "The necking is under the cushion?"

Mr. Kraft's fifth hour physics class certainly has been busy. Mike Petersen was helping with a pulley experiment when all of a sudden Mr. Kraft grabbed Mike by the hair. What was Mr. Kraft trying to do? A couple of days later, anyone walking down the hall might have wondered why the entire class was at the drinking fountain. Could Dave Woo have actually won the door prize at the Rotary Club meeting and could the fudge and pickles have made everyone thirsty?

Sadie Hawkins



A GREAT

SUCCESS



Groovy Clothes are "In" For Guys

What's groovy for guys in '68 spring and summer wear? That's the question the TOWER asked Jerry and Steve Parker of the Lion's Den. Their answers will blow your mind (if not your bank account).

Tune in. In shirts, the major manufacturers are rallying behind stripes

(bold and subtle). Windowpane and tattersall checks are really coming on strong this year. And the Now Look demands both button-down collars and sta-press. Keep it groovy.

The hopsack pant is King in jean or casual styles. This cloth stays neat, needs little care, and looks great with almost anything. Stay loose.

Going to a dance, a movie, a party, a sit-in, a love-in, or a be-in?

Then a sweater is a must--either a lightweight lambswool V-neck, an alpaca cardigan, or a knit with the tennis or golfing look.

Love your neighbor. For those dressier dates, try a

mock turtle or T-neck knit under a double-breasted sportcoat (lighter this year). Dacron blends stay neat over midsummer sweat. Take charge.

Make the beach scene this summer in smart stretch swimwear or novelty trunks, complimented by a colorful coordinated knit. Keep your cool.

With such a bombardment of colors, patterns, and stylings this year, the well-dressed guy must beware of poor coordination, and looking like a zebra in an Arabian Horse Show. Remember, the basic fundamentals of a good wardrobe are versatility, comfort, correct fit, and good taste.

Thoughts

My day dreams go far across the sea, I see those faces turned up to me. They plead for shelter, food, and peace, I wish this war would forever cease. If humans would only use their head, they would have no reason to count the dead.

Alan Lichkay

UPTIGHT IS...

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- ...losing your lunch money when they are having your favorite-- spaghetti.
- ...buying a darling outfit and finding out three of your friends bought it too.
- ...spilling your after-shave cologne all over yourself.
- ...having a "Bourgeoisie hang-up" and getting teased.
- ...not knowing what a "bourgeoisie hang up" is.
- ...having your contact slip in the middle of a kiss.
- ...not getting the A in English you were expecting.
- ...having to wear your boyfriends tennis shoes because you wore shoe boots and left your loafers at home.
- ...losing your Spanish book one

- day before the test.
- ...losing your best Ravi Shankar record.
- ...feeling like you have to sneeze but not being able to.
- ...getting a flat tire.
- ...losing your house key and getting home a half hour after curfew, thus being forced to wake up your parents.
- ...having your Algebra collected the one day you forgot to do it.
- ...still supporting the Prohibition Party.

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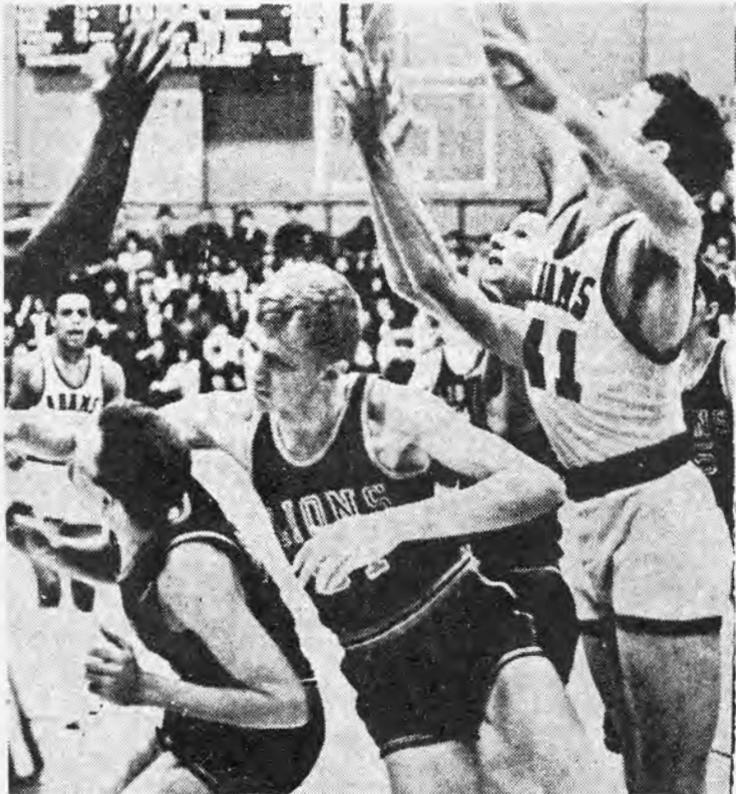
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ST. JOE MEETS MICHIGAN CITY AT ELKHART

Adams Loses Final Game Against LaSalle

By Joe Raymond



Terry Schaper fighting for rebound while Greg Roberts watches. (compliments of the South Bend Tribune.)

A team that started the year with great potential ended with that same great potential still there. The only trouble was it was never developed during a season of 9 victories and 12 defeats.

Adams 47 LaSalle 70

On Thursday, February 22, the John Adams Eagles took the floor against a strong LaSalle team. LaSalle came into this game favored and the final result proved to be correct.

The Eagles played a fairly good game but they were playing a fine team. The foul problem came back to the Eagles. They were committing to many fouls and not making enough free throws.

Both Teams Hot

The game started with both teams hot from the field. LaSalle hit 70% from the field, while the Eagles scored their share of points. The Eagles fell behind 25-14 at the end of the first quarter. They were still within striking distance, though.

The Eagles had there chance for a comeback in the second quarter when LaSalle only scored 5 points, but this quarter also brought only 5 points for the Eagles. Both teams were cold after the red hot pace of the first quarter. Errors were occurring for both teams. There was very little scoring and the score at the end of the second period was 30-19.

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by Howard Berman

Congratulations to St. Joseph's High School on their impressive victory over Washington in last week's sectional. Congratulations also to Penn High School in their victory over Elkhart in their sectional.

The sectional played at Washington High School this year will probably be the last sectional to be held there, because of the new convocation center being built at Notre Dame. Next year, there is the possibility of holding the sectional, regional, and semi-state at Notre Dame. The only reason for not holding the State there is because it is not centrally located.

There were quite a few upsets in the sectionals this year. South Bend Central lost its first game when they were favorites along with St. Joe. What about Penn defeating Elkhart, 67-65? East Chicago Roosevelt, undefeated in regular season play and rated number one in the state was beaten by East Chicago Washington, but Roosevelt was without their number one scorer. Also LaVille upsetting Plymouth in the LaVille sectional. The Elkhart Regional and the East Chicago Regional seem to be two close regionals. Van Andrews will pick the pairings.

AT EAST CHICAGO

Gary Roosevelt over Lowell
E. Chicago Wash. over Hammond Tech
E. Chicago Wash. over Gary Roosevelt

AT ELKHART

Michigan City over St. Joe
Penn over Akron
Michigan City over Penn

The Elkhart Regional seems to be the toughest to me. The City-St. Joe game should be a close one and if Penn wins, City should have a tough time at it.

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MAIN AT COLFAX

The spring sport teams are anxiously awaiting their respective openers. Full team practice has begun. Coach Buczkowski will again be heading the Baseball team, as will Coach Neil Mc Laughlin begin his second year at the Track reign. Bob Saunders will be a first year coach of the golf team. Adams is anticipating a very good spring sports schedule

I would like to mention my congratulations to the Sunnyside Presbyterian Church basketball team who went undefeated in regular season play and won the Church Tourney. The reason that I mention this is because most of the boys that compose the team are from Adams. A few of the boys are Van Andrews, Jim Barnbrook, Brent Meyers, Jim Bock, Jim Dunfee, Bob Harrigan, Jeff Joers, Dan Gregg, Jim Siberehl, and Dick Wilson. Barnbrook was the leading scorer with 128 points followed by Dunfee's 101 points. The team was coached by Chuck Murphy.

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The effort put out by the Eagles was fair in some parts, but the performance by the Eagles was not enough against a strong team like LaSalle. LaSalle, coached by ex-Adams coach Bob Rensberger, was paced by Al Frazier's 18 points, followed by Joe Kagel's 14 and Lyle Wamsley's 12.

Davis Leads Scoring

In the final game of the year, the leading scorer for the Eagles was Richard Davis with 12 points. Terry Schaper and John Williams, both playing their final game in a John Adams uniform, scored 9 and 7 points respectively.

The percentages for the teams were as follows: LaSalle 47% and Adams 29% from the field. La Salle made 26 of 37 free throws and Adams made 11 of 20.

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Letters to the Editor

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bridge two worlds and see them more clearly.

There was nothing glorious or sensational about what went on in those fifty or so minutes. There is never anything sensational about a clean, pure effort at understanding. Understanding is not exactly the straw people grab at wildly. It is just the quiet underlying force of good in humanity. About thirty students came out of Mr. Schutz's sociology class understanding each other a tiny bit more. There is nothing earth shaking, but as someone once wrote, "The difference between love and hate is understanding."

S. D. R.

Dear Editor,

I think it's pretty bad for students to bring the teachers candy to school, especially when it is really forbidden in school. This is not the time and place for a picnic. Certain students do this sort of thing. It's called polishing the old apple! Is this right? Students shouldn't be bribing the teachers, and to many people watching, this go on everyday, that is exactly what it looks like.

Someone should stop this, and teachers shouldn't accept candy during class. What is happening to our rule that forbids candy in class?

Anti-polishing

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