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## Cadet Teaching Offers First Hand Experience

Rosalie Thompson and Pat Boorda, both seniors, are getting first hand experience in teaching this year as they are cadet teachers in the School System during fifth and sixth hours.



Rosalie teaches kindergarten at Lincoln School. She has learned that, "The children behave like adults...they have their own world, but it is a big one. They are full of questions and like to learn. They are hard to quiet, though."

Rosalie's duties include reading stories, helping with workbooks, and teaching skills such as the numbers and the alphabet. She works with two different teachers, alternating each week. She has learned different methods of teaching from the two teachers. Rosalie plans to become a kindergarten teacher also.

Pat teaches second grade at Nuner School. She says she "loves it!" It has given her new ideas about teaching and has helped her to decide what grade level she would like to teach.

Pat's duties include taking the children out for recess, grading papers, reading stories, and helping individuals. She now thinks of a teacher as a "psychologist, teacher, mother, and helper all in one." Pat has always felt she wanted to be a teacher and cadet teaching has confirmed this.



In order to be a cadet teacher, one must plan with his counselor to have two free hours during the senior year. The School System Administration works with the teacher. The high school student will work under as well as with the Adams counselor. For more information, contact the counselor's office.

## Future Nurses Donates Money To the Tower

The Future Nurses Club has donated eighty dollars to the Tower to aid in the production of the newspaper. Over the past few years the club has raised money from the concession stands at the basketball games. Because the club will be discontinued after this year, they donated a stretcher to the school in addition to giving the rest of the money to the school newspaper.



Happily accepting the check from Terry Stuckey, President of Future Nurses, is Mrs. Myers, Tower sponsor.

## Student Teachers

### Come and Go

At this time John Adams would like to say farewell to two student teachers and welcome another. The student teachers are working in the English, Physical Education, and Music Departments.

With Mr. Drapek is Mrs. Stuart, who is attending Bethel College and is a resident of Mishawaka. Mr. Ken Hansen is doing his student teaching in the music classes under Mr. Lewis, and with the band under Mr. Withrow. Mr. Hansen is a student at Indiana University, and a resident of Long Island, New York.

The newest student teacher, Mr. Beason, is teaching the gym classes under Mr. Murphy. Mr. Beason is a student at Ball State University and lives in Monroe, Michigan. Mr. Beason will be leaving Adams on May 22.

## Soph Party Tonight

Hey Sophomores! Don't forget to swing into "Itchy Coo Park" tonight. There you will hear the fantastic and psychedelic sounds of Benjamin Franklin's Almanac from 7:30 to 10:30 P.M.

The Sophs are holding their party in the Adams Gym.

Pegge Wilkinson is serving as general chairman. Assisting are Tom Trenary, refreshments; Joe Berman, band; Rosie Born, decorations; Brian Stogdill, publicity; Mary Frey, tickets; and Linda Gramps, clean-up.

Tickets for the party are \$1.00.

Pegge and her committee chairmen are hoping for a large turnout to make the dance an even bigger success than last year.

## Journalism to be Taught

Thanks to the addition of Mrs. Myers to the Adams teaching staff, there will be a Journalism class held at Adams next year.

Mrs. Myers, now the Tower sponsor, is a graduate of Indiana University where she majored in journalism. She spent two years working as a night editor on the Logansport Pharos-Tribune, and has also taught English for three years. Next year, she will have the job of teaching journalism at Adams.

The class will be a full credit

## Concert Choir To Go To

### State Contest

For the first time in the history of John Adams, the Concert Choir, under the direction of Mr. Robert A. Hoover, will participate in the State Contest. Only the band and orchestra have performed in the past.

The sixty-plus voices will perform three numbers which will demonstrate choral skills. These numbers are: "Lo, In The Time Appointed" by Healey Willan, "Roots and Leaves" by Ralph Williams, and a negro spiritual called "I Can Tell The World" by Jester Hairston.

After the panel of judges hear the selections, the choir will go to another room where they will be given five minutes to sight read an unknown piece of music. The choir is looking forward to their opening performance with hopes of receiving another first-place award for Adams.

Good luck to the John Adams band, orchestra, and Concert Choir at the contest next Saturday in Portage, Indiana.

course with the main purpose of training students who wish to go into the field of newspaper or magazine publications. Writing for newspapers, not creative writing, will be taught. Each person who is in this class will be expected to contribute articles to the Tower. Feature articles will be especially stressed.

Anyone who is interested in writing may sign up for the course. Fifteen students are needed to start a class. All persons interested should see their counselor.

## News In Brief

### GOOD LUCK

To the Concert Choir at their contest next Saturday!  
SOPHOMORES

Don't forget to swing into "Itchy Coo Park" tonight--it starts at 7:30, and tickets are only \$1.00.  
A BIG THANK YOU

To the Future Nurses Club for their generous contribution to the TOWER.  
NO TOWER

Next week there will be no TOWER because of the special April Fool's Issue.

### TODAY IS:

The second day of official spring... as anyone can see there's a lot of that "fever" going around!  
CONGRATULATIONS!

To Craig Steinke, Mike True, and Mike Petersen for scoring highest on the National Math Test given March 12. Also to Brad Magee, Mark Bravin, and Mark Williams for leading the Junior scoring on the same test.

To Mr. Smith and the wonderful cast of "Antigone" whose performances were far superior to anyone's expectations.

## Band and Orchestra Try for Another "First"

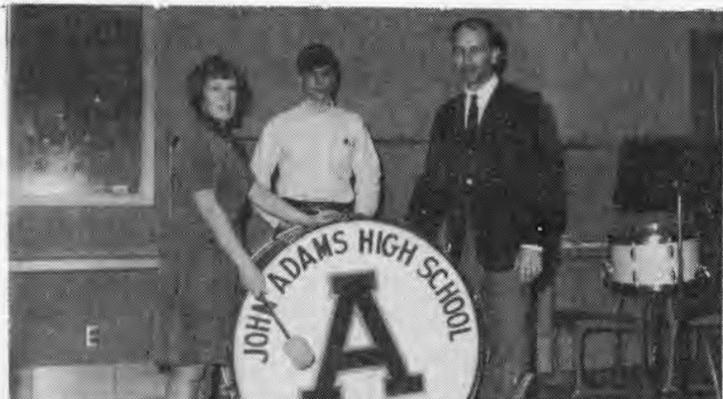
On March 30, the John Adams band and orchestra will travel to Portage, Indiana for the state contest.

The orchestra has earned firsts for the last eight consecutive years, more than any other band or orchestra in the city. Linda Magee, president of the orchestra, said, "Adams has a tradition of firsts," and she is "proud to be in a group like that."

The orchestra will play "King Stephen Overture," by Ludwig Beethoven; "Overture and Allegro," by Francois Couperin; and "Preludio," by Paul Whear.

The band also has earned many first places in the past four years. They plan to perform "Pageant," by Vincent Persichetti; "An Original Suite," by Gordon Jacob; and "Crown Imperial," by William Walton. Jeff Noble is president of the band this year.

Both the band and orchestra will be judged in the same manner. They will first play their three selections, and be judged by three judges. Then each organization will sight read a difficult piece for a fourth judge. The average of the four judges' scores will determine the rating.



Thinking about next week's contest are, left to right, Linda Magee, president of the orchestra, Jeff Noble, president of the band, and Mr. Withrow, band conductor.

# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,  
In Answer  
We talk, for expression  
We sit, why stand?  
We listen, to learn  
Why learn about life?  
We did not make this world-  
but we can change it  
We must change it;  
else what other  
reason have we  
for being here at all?

**Jim Durham**

Dear Editor,  
This last week, my gym shoes were removed from my locker. I don't "set" my locker, so someone obviously knows my combination through no fault of my own. I looked all around for them, but could not find them. I reported it to the lost and found, but to no avail.

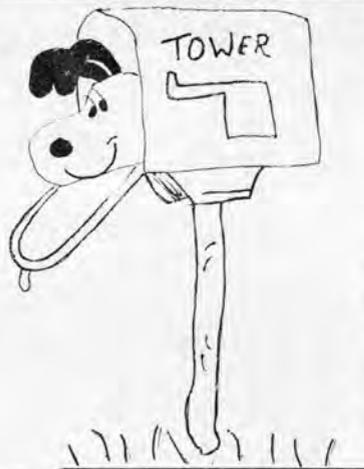
I am presently taking an "F" in physical education because if I tell my parents that a second pair of shoes are missing, they'll massacre me!  
Why do people do this sort of thing? It's about time some changes were made!

**Shoeless**

Dear Editor,  
I would like to commend you for allowing this column to appear in the newspaper. This column informs students of other fellow students' problems and ideas. Often something important is brought out in this column, and action can be taken to improve the situation. It often relieves me to know that a problem is noticed by somebody besides me.

**Satisfied Reader**

Dear Editor,  
I am a high school student who is interested in athletics and physical activities. Recently the high school recreation was canceled at Edison school. It was one of the few recreational activities canceled.



The problem is, I don't see why it was canceled. I'm sure it does not cost much which apparently is the reason for canceling it. Also, it was not canceled because of lack of attendance because there were no less than thirty teenagers there each time.

A solution to the problem would be to charge the students ten to twenty-five cents each time to participate. I hope the Recreation Department or enough interested people read this to do something about it.

**L. E. H.**

Dear Editor,  
I am sick of reading poems which are printed in the Tower and have no meaning and protest nothing and bore the readers with meaningless words. They are not poems they are words. We are sick.

**A reader**

Dear Editor,  
In last week's issue of the Tower, there appeared a clamorous article from an "alien" who was critical of teens. This alien described the bad points of our society. Apparently our little green friend has a one track mind about all people in general.

**Con't. on p. 3, col. 5**

## Watch it Girls! Boys Notice Appearances

What would a high school guy do without those quiet, shy, little girls who walk the halls in such unassuming and polite manners?

Why, to be without these "spices of life," would be a disaster! It is so inspiring to walk down the halls watching the girls smacking away on their gum so daintily. This sight is further enriched when you see and hear them laughing loudly and gabbing so fast that you would think they were competing against time.

What is even more enjoyable is their appearance. The way they look really gets to you. It is so charming to see these feminine creatures wearing skirts short enough to be shorts. To add extra life to these, they are probably wearing enough make-up for two girls. If you are really lucky, around noon time you may catch a glimpse of one of these angels with a sexy cigarette hanging out of her mouth. These, and so many other things like this really gain a boy's admiration.

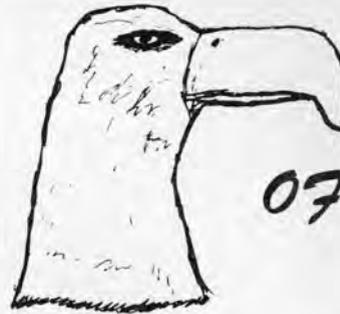
Yes, it would be quite unbearable without these sweet little darlings. Life would certainly be most dull and uninteresting without these enchanting females.  
**Don Davis**

## Misery is..

- ...a blind date.
- ...getting to school and finding you're wearing your seven year old brother's pants.
- ...complimenting your girlfriend on her patterned stockings and finding out she isn't wearing stockings.
- ...being invited to an American Legion stag film, and discovering it's the story of Bambi's father.
- ...being an undertaker and having to look sad at a \$5,000 funeral.
- ...flunking gym.
- ...asking a girl out for a date, and finding out your brother used to date her.
- ...snow in the spring.
- ...being tickled.
- ...running every morning, bright and early, with the track team.
- ...being a senior guy who's shorter than many freshmen.
- ...diving into three feet of water.
- ...dropping your notebook on Mishawaka Avenue at eight o'clock in the morning.
- ...flunking homeroom.
- ...getting to school and finding you still have your bedroom slippers on.
- ...your fall getting a bad case of dandruff.
- ...washing your car at two o'clock and having it pour down rain as you're driving along showing it off at three o'clock.
- ...deciding to become a blond, but turning out a purple instead.
- ...being a freshman and getting your draft card.

### NEWS EXTRA!

Indiana University will present the "Taming of the Shrew" next weekend, March 29 and 30. For tickets and details concerning the performance, call the ticket office.



## EAGLE OF THE WEEK



Flying high above the average level of achievements, this week's Eagle of the Week, Dennis Rothermel, holds a wide variety of interests both related to school, and outside of school.

Dennis is a top scholar, ranking consistently at the top of the honor roll. He is also the president of the National Honor Society and a member of the Math Club. Besides being a member of these organizations, Dennis also participates in Eagle Ethics.

Not only is Dennis a top scholar, but he is a fine musician also. He holds the position of first chair cornet in the Adams band, orchestra and dance band, and he plays in the Indiana University wind ensemble and the Elkhart Symphony. Dennis also participated in the Honors Band, and the All State Band. In what little extra time Dennis has had this year, he took a test and qualified for National Merit finalist.

After graduation from high school Dennis hopes to attend either Yale, Brown, Case Western Reserve, or Northwestern for further education. Last summer he attended a high school institute for engineering at Northwestern, and he hopes to go into the field of engineering or some related area.

## Drama Course Will Be Offered If Students are Interested

Have you always aspired to be a movie star--the lead in movies or on television? Or have you just been interested in drama; its forms, the talent required, and the work behind the scenes? If drama and theatre interest you, why not consider signing up for the dramatics course to be taught next year at Adams?

This type of a course, given five days a week for one unit of credit, will be taught by Mr. Brady. The students will study the history of the theatre, from the Greek to the modern era. An increased understanding of all types of theatre will be obtained, for a study of movies, television, and live theatre will also be included.

The art of directing the actors will be learned, as will the technique for lighting the set, costuming of the players, set construction, and make-up.

Students will also learn the art of acting especially in relation to pantomime and then voice work.

Play cuttings and original writings will be acted out in class. This course, which has been taught before at Adams, but was discontinued because of lack of student interest, promises to be both interesting and fun. See your counselor if you are interested.

## To Work or Not to Work

Just think of it. Spring is already here. We only have ten more weeks of school. The trouble with being so near the end of the school year is that studying becomes extremely hard. To sit down and open a book is almost unthinkable when you hear all the kids having fun outside.

Undoubtedly the temptation will be too great and you will join them outside. You'll find that it's just great to be in the wide open again. You may engage in a hot game of basketball, or a fast drive in a convertible. You'll be home by bedtime, whenever that is, and you will do exactly that, go to bed and forget about your homework. Your report card will verify this prediction.

The thing to do is pray for rain. As long as it rains you're all right. However, as soon as the sun comes out, your grades are doomed.

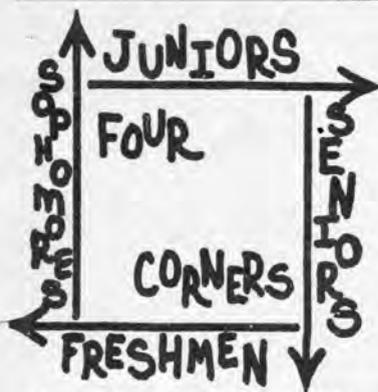
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TO THE SECTIONAL  
TOMORROW !!



**Please Don't Steal.**

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When discussing the poem "Shiloh," in English class, Mr. Lopach said, "I want to read to you a good essay describing this poem." The essay turned out to be his own.

Last Wednesday in Mr. Goodman's sixth hour class, Ron Hamilton and Jon Pryweller decided to take advantage of the fact that a substitute teacher was teaching. They got up to leave the class five minutes early. When asked where they were going, they explained, "We're patrol boys!"

One day in Mr. Swartz's first hour math class, Ric Colbert asked Mr. Swartz if it was alright if he could leave a note for Gale Shaffer on his desk everyday, since Gale had math second hour and set at the same desk. Mr. Swartz said, "Heck no! I'm not going to be a go between for your love affair!" Ric then replied, "Three's a crowd anyway Casey."

Because Steve Bokor raised his hand while Mr. McLaughlin was speaking, Mr. McLaughlin made Steve put up his hand and leave it up in the air. There was one boy with a mighty tired arm after second hour English class that day!

With an "Up, up, and away!" Don Skees "flew" out of the window when Miss Fitterling left the room for a moment. Where are the five dollars you owe him for doing that, Sue Grow?

Thanks to Nancy Rufer, Jim Panzica has a new nickname; right Pansy?

Who almost smashed into Miss Rosenfeld's shiney car as she drove down Jefferson last Thursday? Just ask Ed Roames or Ernie Szasz.

Why does Mrs. Katona keep her hair spray in Mr. Swartz's coat closet?

Much to Marsha Gross's dismay, her fall really fell when Bill Mihelich came up behind her and whipped off the hairpiece she wore.

## Forum to Be Held Next Week

The Forensic Society will hold their next open forum on March 27, at 3:30 in room 301. The topic for discussion is "Back Power." Tim Shula, the president of the Forensic Society, will act as moderator. Everyone is urged to attend and voice his opinion.

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## OPUS #1

Myriads of knowledge, flowing in unbroken rivulets, merging, changing; larger and larger through the matter of intelligence, filling to capacity, vulnerability bursting; another loss to humanity. "change the times" "step out of your mind" "don't blow your cool" "square" what to believe? for some, utter confusion; others----clear waters of a brute bubbling over jagged granites laughing small society by itself; misunderstood, unknown, but present. which way to go? forward? or backward? by whose judgement? by what standards? standards?

Mark McLemore

## "Bonnie and Clyde" Viewed in a Different Manner

Bonnie and Clyde? Now immortalized as golden images of heroism, Warren Beatty and especially Faye Dunaway do remarkable jobs of portraying two young people who meet by chance and find they can be quite useful to each other in a career of crime.

The movie glorifies what most people refer to as common criminals by making the viewer feel sympathy for these two people rejected by society...a society which gives them no chance whatsoever to redeem themselves.

The color and filming of the movie is fantastic, especially in a dream sequence that occurs. The trees seem greener than most, the skies bluer than ever, and the blood redder than your own.

Although the viewer knows the inevitable fate of Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrell can only be death, he still finds a hope that maybe, just for a change, the "bad guys" will come out of it all right. Unfortunately, when Bonnie and Clyde stop off the road to help a friend out, and the viewer sees the nearby bushes rustle a little, he knows that he had better finish his popcorn unless he plans to take it home with him.

Maybe it is too bad they had to

die. They never meant to hurt anyone, and only killed in self defense. If they would have lived however, there is no doubt that they would have been married, a rather faulty decision also, for there's something slightly inappropriate about the name, Bonnie Barrell.

Mystery Reviewer

## Russians Consider Twiggy A Political Weapon

If you are an ardent reader of the Soviet magazine named the "Literary Gazette" you know that Twiggy is not just a flat, skinny girl, but a political weapon of "western capitalists". Recently Vladimir Osipov, a Russian writer, wrote an extensive article dealing with Twiggy's "mission" in America.

"Twiggy is nothing else," states Osipov, "but an obedient instrument in the hands of western capitalists." He even says that doctors performed operations on Twiggy to make her more appealing to American boys.

Twiggy's purpose, according to the Russian, is to divert the attention of the already riot minded

the sky like a patient etherised upon a table. Strive toward that moment, reach for it. Keep trying, and if you do not reach your goal, perhaps you will have gained by trying. Oh, do I love you? I love, but you? My love is directed beyond. I yearn for the eternal ocean - the ocean with shores but no boundaries. Eternity. You are my intermediary. In you I see part of this ocean. We see now through a mirror darkly, but then we shall see face to face. When I was a child - I saw the moon reflected in the water. That moon was as real to me as the moon in the sky. You should have borne this deception for your own sake. You should, you must believe in the moon. Rise above the rubble of the world. Perhaps out of chaos there will come a search for order. Perhaps chords until now unplayed will resound. Perhaps...perhaps...perhaps.. Today I love you. Today the spring is stirring the dull roots of my memory. Who is he whom my heart loves? What is love? If I should have faith so as to remove mountains but have not love, I am as sounding brass or tinkling cymbal. Is love the desire or the fulfillment? I wanted

to do everything with you, but I was afraid you do not love me. It's lonely out here in the cold.

Anonymous

### Letters to the Editor Con't. from p. 2, col. 2

I am, fortunately, from this world and a member of our terrible society. I feel that matters aren't quite as bad as our green friend stated. He states he comes from a planet where the teenagers are quite perfect (gods). His views are purely derogatory. Please take a closer look, and I think you will change your mind.

First of all, how many times have the students of Adams rioted? Zero. How many times has a teacher been knifed or threatened. Zero. How many times have Adams athletes put out their efforts to gain praise for the entire student body? Countless. How many fine musical and dramatic shows has Adams put on? Again, countless. How many times has Adams been first in academics, sports, music, and art. Yes, countless again.

Well, green boy--what do you think now? Probably zero! If you are disheartened with not being in, then you must not be a member of the John Adams student body where everyone in every clique is in...even green aliens.

Dear Darsee

Dear Editor,

I have a gripe about an article which was on the sports page a while back. Yes, I'm talking about the picture and big write up on Coach Hadaway. Just because he's "Happy Dave," doesn't mean anything. There are many other coaches that are happy, too.

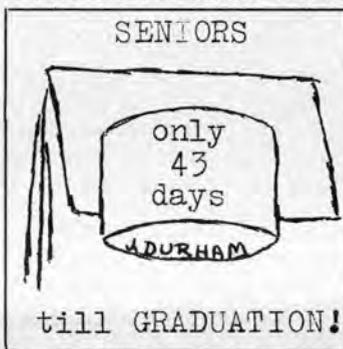
What about Coach Barnbrook and Coach Griffith (Bullwhip)? Shouldn't they get equal publicity in the Tower? Why not have equal recognition. I was under the impression that Coach Griffith's team had a better record in comparison. I'm not the only one who feels this way.

Silence is Golden

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