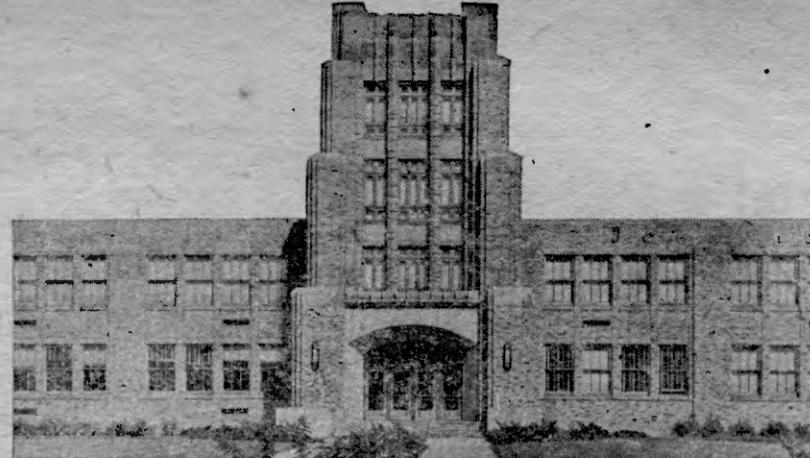


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Marion Grassby Wins Science Honors

Adams Student Awarded In Talent Search



Marion Grassby

Three hundred boys and girls, who are believed to have unusual potential scientific ability, have been selected from the 1946 senior classes of United States secondary schools and have been awarded honors in the Fifth Annual Science Talent Search. We are very proud to announce that our own Marion Grassby is among this three hundred.

Designed to discover and develop scientific ability among high school seniors, the Science Talent Search is conducted annually for the Westinghouse Science Scholarship by Science Clubs of America.

Eleven girls and 29 boys (proportion determined by ratio of boys and girls entering the contest) are being invited to Washington, D. C., for an all-expense trip March 1 to March 5, 1946, to attend the Science Talent Institute. Here one boy and one girl will be awarded \$2,400 Westinghouse Grand Science Scholarships. Eight winners will be awarded \$400 Westinghouse Science Scholarships and \$3,000 additional in scholarships will be awarded.

In addition to the forty chosen to go to Washington, 260 students out of the 16,000 competing students have such promise that the judges recommended that they be awarded Honorable Mentions in the Fifth Annual Science Talent Search and that their ranking be brought to public attention and, particularly, that colleges and universities be informed. Each boy and girl awarded Honorable Mention, as well as the Washington trip winners, are considered so outstanding that any institution of higher learning would be justified in considering their abilities carefully. We would like to congratulate Marion on her outstanding scholarship for being among those who received Honorable Mention in the Annual Science Talent Search.

School City Announces Training Course

South Bend School City announced The In-Service Training Course in Background in Intergroup Education in co-operation with Indiana University Extension Service. The courses consist of ten two-hour sessions which are open free to South Bend teachers and to all others for \$3.00 registration fee. The courses began January 29 and extend through April 9. Sessions will be held at 7:00 P. M. in Central High School's little theatre.

The first in the series of topics, "Concept of Race" was discussed by Dr. W. M. Krogman, Anthropologist, University of Chicago. The second meeting will be held February 6. The speaker will be Ethel J. Alpenfels, Anthropologist University of Chicago. She will discuss Intergroup Education from the point of view of culture and cultural learnings.

BUSINESS RELATIONS OFFERED TO SENIORS

A new course is being offered at John Adams called Business Relations. This is a one-semester elective course and it is open to the 12A's.

The course was organized to meet the needs and interests of students about to enter the business world. It deals with topics that confront every individual sooner or later regardless of his vocation or profession. Legal, financial, and social implications of each problem are considered.

This course is built around eight main problems. They are: Buying a Home; Forms and Obligations of Ownership; Settling an Estate; The Planning of One's Insurance, Savings and Investment Program; The Buying and Selling of Goods and Services; Travel; Shipping of Goods; and Consumer Protection in Advertising and Buying Merchandise.

There are thirty-two students in the present class of Business Relations. Their reaction to the content of this course might promote other additions to our list of offerings at John Adams.

Guin Elected Rotary Representative

Last week Dick Guin was elected by the senior A's to be their representative to the weekly meetings of the Rotary club of South Bend.

Each year one senior A boy from each of the high schools in South Bend is elected to represent his school. The Rotary meetings are held each Wednesday noon.

Congratulations Dick and good luck in your new venture.

Yanetovitch Returns With New Ideas

Stephen Yanetovitch has returned to John Adams High School as co-music director along with Mr. Deardoff. Mr. Yanetovitch who taught here in 1942 left for the army during the summer of the same year. He came back with many new ideas, one of them which is now in progress. Mr. Yanetovitch and Mr. Deardoff have started a school dance band. The two directors went out and bought such popular music as "Symphony", "Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief" and "Hamp's Boogie". The school is going to purchase a new set of drums, and some more new instruments.

When you hear some good popular music at school on Tuesday and Thursday do not be too surprised, it will be the dance band rehearsing.

Band Members Receive Awards For Service

Six Faithful Workers Awarded Pins

Early one Tuesday morning, January 15 to be exact, six members of the Band were rewarded with service pins for their splendid work.

Beverly Asire receive her gold pin for six semesters of loyal service. Silver pins were awarded to Leon Bendit, Don Egendorfer, Chuck Murphy, Earl Woodworth and Bernice Keb for their five semesters of faithful service.

The band is proud of all their members who received these fine awards. Those who received them are also proud of their pins, but they also dread the time when they will have to say their last good-bye and that time is drawing closer and closer, only until June to be exact. One of these has already said her last Good-bye and the band certainly does miss her. . . . Good Luck, Bev.

Glee Club Interests Sophomores

Sophomores are here again
The halls are full of cheer again
(To the tune of "Happy Days Are Here Again")

Yes the Sophomores are here and have been for several weeks. Many of them have tried out for Glee Club, and several have been found to have very nice voices.

The attitude of the sophomores is very good. We are glad that so many have showed an interest in Glee Club. Glee Club is only one of the many extra-curricular activities that John Adams has. If you are at all capable of singing, trying out for the Glee Club is well worth your while.

Adams Welcomes Transfer Students

Ten Adamites Leave For Other Schools

In addition to the faces of the new 10B's there are other unknown students at Adams this semester. The Tower would like to extend a special word of welcome to these new students and hopes you'll go out of your way to say 'hello' to them. Here are some of the new students you'll want for your friends.

Adams even seems to attract students from other states as Richard Coty has transferred to Adams as a 10A from a private school in Wisconsin. And from way down South in Houston, Texas, comes Janice Markham. Mary Ann Earl, who at one time attended St. Joseph Academy in South Bend, has returned from the West and is now enrolled in Adams.

We've also received our share from the other South Bend high schools. Robert McGrogan, a new 11A from Central can be found in 108 and Washington has given us Dorothy Van De Walle as a 10A.

We are also glad to report that Louise Saloman has returned to Adams after a semester's absence.

On the other hand, there are certain faces you'll be missing in the halls. Quite a few students have moved from the Adams district including Jerry Melser and Delores Schmitts from 205 and Joan Eubank from 210. We understand they're all attending Central now. Jack Myers from 207 has also moved out of the district and has returned to Washington Clay.

Jack isn't the only one to return to his old school as Jo Ann Stephenson also decided to return to Saint Mary's.

We also have word from good sources that Betty McCully of 209 will soon be happily married. Congratulations, Betty!

Dick Tennyson, as so many other boys have done, has joined the Army.

Other faces we will miss are those of Joan Dickinson of 105, Joyce Rolen of 201 and Betty Bird of 101.

Here's wishing all you students lots of luck in your new undertakings.

Joking and humor are pleasant, and often of extreme utility.—Cicero.

Be always as merry as ever you can,

For no one delights in a sorrowful man.

I am persuaded that every time a man smiles—and much more so when he laughs—he adds something to his inner life.—Sterne.

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**Best Foot Forward**

Is your best foot forward? In these first few weeks of the new semester is the time to make a good impression on your teachers, whether they are ones you've had before or not. How you get along all the rest of this year, depends a lot on what impression you make the first couple weeks.

If you are a sophomore you have probably already decided what impression you want to make in your new surroundings. You know that you will spend at least three years at Adams. These can either be pleasant ones or ones that you will regret always. Every teacher is ready and willing to help you get started in the right way. All you need is a gentle push in the right direction and the rest is all "duck soup". It is up to you to give yourself this push.

To you upperclassmen, of course, this is already familiar. You know that when you graduate from high school you must have good references to obtain a good job. Your teachers are always glad to oblige. They can be of great help to you in many other ways also if you co-operate with them.

If you try to do your best in school, you will not only profit in many ways, but you will have a collection of high school memories that will last you all of your life.

THE DOME

When out of my window I peer,
It glistens so, as if it were near.
For miles around it may be seen,
Shining so bright with its golden gleam.
A cross on top is silhouetted against the blue sky,
And when you see it your hopes rise on high.

Then down our eyes go past the shining dome,
To a brick built building which some love as home
There are two large doors in the center,
Which are open to all who wish to enter.
You may have a sorrow which you wish to cure,
So enter feeling sorrow, and exit feeling pure.

When you enter you find rows and rows of seats,
On which the congregation sits when it meets.
To get to the altar you follow an aisle,
Covered with a carpet over which many file.

Around the altar a bank of white lilies is spread,
With a draped background of crimson red.
Just looking at it gives you a feeling of holiness,
And your whole body seems to feel a heavenly caress.
As you kneel and pray,
Your cares quickly fade away.

—Kathlyn Keller.

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TROUBLESONE TROUBLES

Dear Emily,

Now that our two Army Air Corps sergeants have gone back to camp, we are quite lonely. Please tell us of some available men that could be captured.

Lonelies.

Dear Misses Bothast and Anderson,

I'm sure that if you look around you'll find quite a few. Such as George Granberry, Bob Smith and Don Lambert, all of whom are available and good boys.

E. D.

Dear Miss Dix,

I see where some Centralite has captured Mo Ziker's heart. She's awfully cute and hard competition. What shall I do?

Heartbroken.

Dear Heartbroken,

I'm sure that if you'd let him know about your feelings he might give you a ring (by phone). Try that or just find another interest.

E. D.

Dear Emily,

Here I am in New York pining my heart away on books when I read in the Tower that Don Simon looks toward Gary for his interest. What's up?

Glor (no train fare) Sollitt

Dear Gloria,

I'm sure that as soon as you get back everything will get back in the good old swing again. I'll keep an eye on him. Sorry, I'm broke.

E. D.

FUTURE FORECAST

This is Lenny Lainbrain bringing you up-to-the-minute news from everywhere on this day of February 6, 1970.

Splash! The world has just turned topsy turvy. Here's proof:

Frances Richards was just voted the prize ballet dancer of the season.

Lynn Minzy and her dynamic football team were picked up last night for disturbing the peace.

Al Smith, the best dressed man about town (for the reason he changes suits three times a day) is running for governor of Indiana.

Maggie Jahnke (otherwise known as "Dumb Dotty" in her days) bumped into a brick wall last night causing much damage. (Yes, to the wall).

Bill Adelsperger, the most quiet boy in school was given the good conduct medal for the best behaved character in Civics class.

Jimmie McNeile has been called to Hollywood to double for Johnny Wiesmuller, otherwise known as "Tarzan", who stubbed his toe and is laid up in Mercy Hospital. Good luck on your new career, Jimmie.

Attention kiddies! Our own John Shafer is playing Santa Claus at Roberston's Department Store.

Coming attractions! Get your tickets early to see Slugger McGregor versus Carolyn Estep at the Armory. One week only.

Dorothy Bella was given a hymn book for being the most valuable Sunday School teacher in the city.

Beverly Asire is coming up in the world. You can see her anytime at her new job as barker at the circus.

TOWER TALK

Here I sit doing my volumes of American Lit., but that's out. I've got other things to talk about, for instance—

Long Time No Sees Together—Frank Wulf and Joyce Witwer, John Roys and Betty Zimmer, Bertie Addison and Roland Fye.

New cute couples—Pat McHugh and Lennie Kowalski, Kennie Knode and Mary Louise Buechner, Paula Tanner and Bob Schultz.

New triangle—Pam Hudson, Tom Lane and Chuck Eldridge.

Old turns to new again—Em Thomas and "M" Kronewitter, Jim Cauly and Doris Krathwal.

Still goin' strong—Bill and Lizzie, Jimmie McNeile and Pati, Pat Lea and Joe Jones, Jerry Gibson and Lynn, Bob Annis and Regina Freels.

Alumni seen around the halls—Bob Hutmaker, Ray Emick, Bob Mills, Don Barnbrook and Phil Riner.

So much for that—After last week's column, I have an addition to It's This Way. Whoever wrote it should have mentioned that Freddie got out of his rut of Joans on New Year's Eve. Also I heard that Mrs. Bain's Foods I class is quite a riot with some of our dear old senior boys. Dick Hammond with his cute little rickrack apron and Timmy swiping bananas. Sounds good, fellas.

So much for now. See you next week.

WHY BLUE MONDAY?

There is no special reason
Why Monday should be blue
No matter what the weather
Or what we have to do
For Monday is no different
From any other day
We merely sigh and worry
And make it seem that way
Sometimes it rains on Tuesday
And later in the week
While trouble is a burden
We seldom have to seek
We may be very tired
When getting out of bed
And dread the thought of facing
The working days ahead
But all we should consider
Is just one day—no more
With 60-minute hours
That total 24.

From the Academy Scholium we learn the after effects of late nights:
"Late to bed and early to rise
Makes a student saggy, draggy
and baggy under the eyes."

Mary Kendall stole the title from Betty Crocker, world famous cook, last evening in the hall of fame. As the gold medal was being pinned on her in this moment of triumph she spoke—"ouch."

This is Lenny Lainbrain signing off for now. Tune in again, same time, same station for the latest splatter.

AROUND ADAMS

by Fred Wegner

A new column, entitled "Strictly Instrumental," will be featured in The Tower starting next week. The articles which are to carry popular song hits and recordings, will be written by "Gus."

The Lion's Club is again sponsoring a professional basketball game for the ardent followers of that sport. The event will be held this evening in South Bend's finest gymnasium—the John Adams hardwood. In the main game of the evening the world's champion Fort Wayne Zollner Pistons will take the floor against the Chicago Collegians, an all-Negro all-star team. Two girls teams will provide entertainment for the opener and a real eye-opener it will be with the South Bend Mustangs facing the Fort Wayne General Electric girls.

The president of the English VI classes wishes to notify all those students of poetry who are having difficulty with the vocabulary of a thing which may be of great help to them. Frank Colby, who has a daily column in the South Bend Tribune, is now on the radio every Tuesday at 8:45 P. M. Take heed!

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COOKING CLATTER

Clatter, clatter, another splatter
Pans flying all ways
Oops, there goes the batter
This goes on from the rise of sun
and what do we learn
That it just can't be done.
Let's take a peek into the recent
Foods II class.

Our own Mrs. Bain is sitting at her desk concentrationg, when all of a sudden—Something flies through the air. Watch Out!!! Oh, never mind, it was only an egg beater and here I thought it was a pan all the time. "Girls, you must learn to control your tempers."

Over in kitchen III we see Mary, Barb and Gloria throwing dough at each other. The teacher steps over and knocks each of them on the head and when they come to, they exclaim, "But the book said to toss it." What's all this white stuff flying around? No, no Sarah, you're not supposed to roll in flour. While the flour and Sarah are being swept up we hear a groan. What can it be? (Ha, this will kill ya.) Lois is standing in a dish pan of ice but who are we to contradict, the book said to stand in ice for one hour.

Oh, yes, we of good 'ole 202 have had our times. As proof of Mrs. Bain's excellent teaching, look what we've turned out to be. Every one of us can turn out an excellent meal at any time.

(That's a joke, son.)

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WORDS AROUND ADAMS

Nan Flickinger—"Where's Rod?"
Joanie Butler—"Honeyyyyyy!"
Jo Douglas—"Got to."
Mr. Krider—"I still get paid."
Bill and Bob Thoner—
Peachie Lazarra—"Huba Huba."
Marv Marshall—"If I was only in New York."

Alumnus to Old Master: Well, I'm back.

Master: Yes, where have you been these past years?

Alumnus: In college taking medicine.

Master: Oh, are you all well now?

Mary had a little lamb,
Her father shot it dead,
And now it goes to school with her
Between two hunks of bread.

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Glee Club 8:00
Drama Club 3:35

THURSDAY, February 7
Washington vs. Mishawaka—
Here
Glee Club 7:30
Band 7:45
Ushers Club Meeting 8:35

FRIDAY, February 8
Glee Club 8:00
Central vs. LaPorte—Here
Adams vs. Nappanee—There

SATURDAY, February 9
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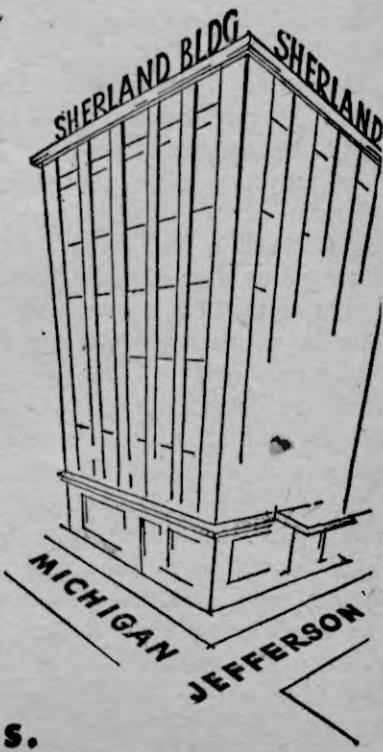
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EAGLES HIJACK PILGRIMS, REDS

Nitz Sets Scoring Mark; Murphy Scores In Overtime

The weekend of January 25, 26, was red letter time at Adams, for the varsity set a terrific pace in subduing two major foes on consecutive nights. Congratulations to Nitz and Murphy on their accomplishments, and "well done" to team and coach in their winning. The following accounts are by Jack Highberger, Tower sports writer.—Jim McNeile.

Pilgrims Progress Stopped

"We have met the enemy and they are ours," historic verse was never so more true as when our Eagles invaded Plymouth's miniature centennial gym last January 25, and caged in a highly publicized Plymouth team 53-42. For some three days previous this same Pilgrim quintet had given Riley such a tussle in losing 49-46.

Our victory was so convincing that the Plymouth five only led twice and each of these came in the first quarter by 1-0 and 9-7 scores.

Lanky Bob Nitz, Adams, 6' 2" seniors forward" bagged 22 points. Nitz who dominated the scoring column was crowded somewhat by "Tennessee-Tim" Howard who hit the whip cards for some 16 points.

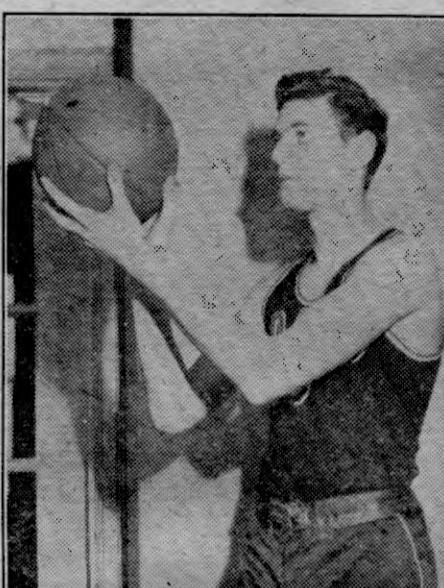
Eagles Win Overtime

Chuck Murphy a gent who didn't even participate in any of our opening games and then after breaking into the starting lineup practically won the Nappanee and Culver games single handedly led Coach Ralph Powell's quintet to a splendid 40-39 victory over North Side Fort Wayne.

Little "Murph" sank three fielders and five charity tosses to give the Eagles one of the most classical wins in Adams cage history. Here is a review of the last three minutes. Big Bob Nitz hit from the floor to tie the score at 37-37. North Side took the ball out but, it was deflected out of bounds. Adams receiving possession with less than two and one-half minutes to play. Personette to Smith, Smith to Murphy, and swish Murphy had scored again. North Side calmly took the ball out of bounds, and then bouncing the ball slowly down the court, there was a quick pass to Munger in the foul circle. Munger faked his man smoothly then pivoted and let go with a shot squarely tying the score at 39-39.

Then came the overtime period in which "Murph" made a quick break for the basket his hands were high in the air ready to deliver but Jimmy Leaman leaped forward and committed his fifth foul forcing him to leave the game and giving Murphy a chance to tally a free throw. As "Murph" approached the foul circle a hush covered the huge gym. His hands rocked back and forth, he let go, the ball catapulted toward the basket. It encircled the rim and dropped in. After this the rest was mostly North Side trying to score in every such way but, time was against them and the John Adams Eagles got credit for a stirring 40-39 victory. As the squad left the floor they received a tremendous ovation from the huge crowd.

THREE LETTERMAN



Bob Nitz

With the valuable assistance of Mr. Reber, and the intellectual stance of the "big boy" himself, this portrait of Robert Nitz stands out as a photographic triumph, and a chance "to give" with the low down on a higher up.

The "higher up" can be taken as his 6' 1" or his upper scholastic standing. That's right—Bob is one of those strictly straight A athletes, and this bore its fruit when he received the Kiwanis award in football. This honor comes to the squad member with the highest scholastic record.

A little about Bob's football days since he was a stand out, would include the thirty points he scored and the rugged defensive game he played. Bobby missed the last two games though, because of an infected arm. His 165 pounds held down the left end spot very well.

When basketball started Mr. Nitz had to toe a good mark since his last season's record was excellent. Bob just couldn't seem to hit the gravy shots but a set determination has achieved marked improvement since his shooting has progressed.

Our hero answered football, basketball and track as his favorite sports and he likes to participate in them all. Last spring in track Bob spanned the sand pit 19' 11 1/4" which placed fifth in the conference meet.

Vegetables and steak head the favorite food list. His spare time, which numbers little, is spent listening to the radio but it seems like "Bobbie" should come in here some place. She is the "little woman" from Central.

We know a lot of the little sophomores, and others, hold "big Bob" as their hero; well, this hero worship varies inversely, for Bob holds Broc Gerrel or Carl Ritter from last year's state champs as his favorites, or Leo Klier from Notre Dame.

About our present basketball team he said, "I think this year's team is more aggressive than last year's and we are improving, but we seem to have trouble hitting the basket from the floor."

Bob's recent 22 points in one game is one of the highest marks ever made here at Adams. He is leading the team in scoring and we wish him all the luck in future games.

TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

LOOK HERE! ADAMS RATED 22ND IN 750

"Is that right?" was the comment given by Dave Gallup when this Adams fan informed him that the red and blue had won eight of its last ten games by virtue of trouncing Plymouth and Fort Wayne. The colorful Mr. Robert Overaker was entirely oblivious to all comments on the subject since his stand-by, Notre Dame, defeated Kentucky.

Incidentally, the extra period encounter is the fourth in Adams hardwood history, the second time we have won such a game, and brings the total points scored in the added three minute period to five. Complete statistics on above subject:

1944—Whiting 60; Adams 59 (Adams did not score).

1945—Elkhart 31; Adams 29 (Adams did not score).

1945—Adams 40, Woodrow Wilson 38 (John Goldsberry got all four points).

1946—Adams 40, Fort Wayne North 39 (Chuck Murphy tallied the one point).

Due to an error in proofing, the predictions in last week's Tower were somewhat mixed up. Mr. Weir, Pat Traub and Leroy Brown gave their scores for the Fort Wayne match instead of Plymouth as stated. The winners were Dewey More who picked Adams over the Pilgrims with one point, while Mr. Weir selected the Eagles to whip North Side and missed the right score by only five points.

Bob Nitz, whose picture and story appear on this page, zoomed ahead in the scoring race by making 22 points in Plymouth. The following totals include the Fort Wayne marks.

Bob Nitz	135
Timmy Howard	103
Glenn Personette	97
Don Howell	73
Chuck Murphy	52
Frank Wulf	49
Dick Fohrer	45
Roland Fye	18

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PALAIS ROYALE BALLROOM

No—you aren't being deceived! Our 1946 basketball squad was rated 22nd in the state, where up to 150 teams compete on the hardwood!

This fact came from the Scholastic Sports Institute in New York and is based on the Richard C. Dunkel correlative ratings. Mr. Dunkel, a research statistician, devised a method of automatic computation on a percentage basis where each team is rated by its performance against the relative strength of its opposition.

Adams, who has the 22nd best rating in Hoosierdom, has the percentage of 60.0 while the number one team, Bosse of Evansville has 74.9. The other teams in between vary slightly in percentage gains and losses. Central of South Bend is rated ninth while Riley and Washington are far down the list.

This method, of course, has nothing to do with the number of wins. It was very interesting, especially when it came from New York while we are living in Indiana. The Dunkel system covers thirteen states.

Fred Wegner	17
Al Smith	12
John Shafer	4

Jimmie McNeile
Tower Sports Editor