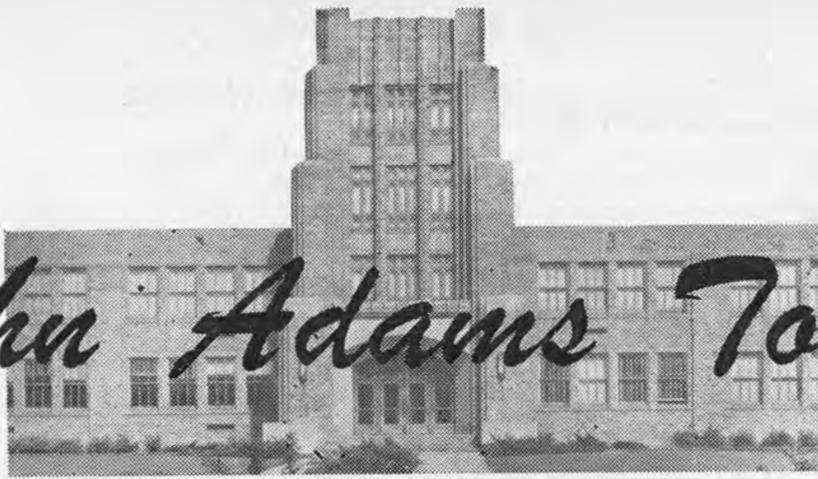


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Four Officers Elected By Junior Class Yesterday Morning

Yesterday morning the Junior Class held their elections for the four offices of their class as required by the class constitution. The four officers were chosen from a group of twenty-four election candidates. The Tower went to press before the results were available.

One week ago six candidates were up for each position. Each home room had chosen a slate of officers to run in the class elections. Last Monday morning this list was reduced to three as the class voted to choose those who would run for yesterday's grand finale to the campaign.

Each home room will now choose one boy and one girl to sit as members to the Junior Cabinet.

Presidential nominees were Bill Dieter, Norma Eddy, Ray Hammond, Jack Nordblad, Bruce Parker and Jim Wenger. Candidates for the vice-presidency were Sue Bennett, Nancy Guisinger, Joe Kline, Dick Nidiffer, Jack Noyes and John Smith. Jim Brennan, Marilyn Brandt, Will Johnston, Barbara Lennon, Edwina Tucker and Sandra Zimmerman were chosen to run for the office of secretary and on the treasurer's slate were June Crawley, Marilyn Glueckert, Margaret Haumesser, Joe Landgraf, Bud Parker and Marilyn Stebner.

SMITH AND BARNES ATTEND T. B. LEAGUE

The Junior T. B. League held its first meeting of the year September 26. Adams representatives are John Smith and Mary Alice Barnes.

Mrs. Marion Brown, the director, outlined the work to be done throughout the year. Each member will have a pen pal at Healthwin hospital. Next month the league will make a trip there, meeting their pals and touring the hospital.

One project coming up soon is the sale of the double bar cross at Notre Dame football games. Teams from each school will sell and the proceeds will buy milk for undernourished children. There will be cash prizes for people selling the most, and the winning team will be taken to dinner and a movie. Any girls interested in selling may do so by contacting our representatives. Adams may have as many teams as they wish.

They Put Out the '50 Album



The Album staff: Top row, left to right, Fred Helmer, Bill Hudson and Judy Campbell; bottom row, left to right, Beverley Morey, Nancy Bolt, Rojean Bakos, Beth Hodge and Mary Demos.

Adams Clubs Prepare For Busy School Year

With the first appearance of **Club News** for this year, we will attempt to introduce you to some of Adams' clubs, their sponsors, and their activities.

Under the guidance of Mr. Goldsberry, the **Debate Club** meets

I. U. INVITES ALL STUDENTS

The University of Indiana at Bloomington has invited all the students of John Adams and all other high school students throughout the state to attend the annual Indiana High School Day at the university, on November 18, when the I. U. football team meets Marquette.

Also, the same day is Indiana Band Day and the Adams band was invited, but it is doubtful that they will attend because of a lack of funds.

Students will be treated to guided tours in the morning and get a reduced admission to the game in the afternoon. Adults accompanying students will be admitted for the same price on a ratio of one adult to each five students.

All Adams students who are interested should see Miss Burns today or at least the first of next week. There will be no sponsored trip from Adams; be sure you make your own arrangements.

In order to have tickets reserved for the football game it is necessary to sign the list in the guidance office.

once each week in Room 109. Edwin Dean is president. The debate question for the year is: Resolved, "That the Welfare State Be Rejected." At the meeting Tuesday, the club discussed the possibilities of making the annual trip to Purdue for a debate clinic.

The **Junior Red Cross**, with Miss Law as sponsor is the junior division of the American Red Cross. The group has been busy recruiting the members of a council to help guide the students in carrying out the Red Cross projects during the year.

Have you had any movies in history, gym, health, or language classes? That fellow tinkering with the mechanism to waste a few more minutes of class for you is one of Mr. Rothermel's **Screen Club** boys. Larry Kreighbaum is president of the club.

A potential club is the **Camera Club**, for which we understand Mr. Krider has agreed to be sponsor. See Bob Konrath in room 108 if you are interested in belonging to the Camera Club.

The **Drama Club** is under the guidance of Miss Kaczmarek. The Drama group gave its major production on September 21. Now they are planning a trip to Chicago for November 18. They plan to see "As You Like It," with Katherine Hepburn as the star.

The **Ushers Club** is always hard

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Sperandeo Duo To Give Assembly Tuesday Afternoon

A rare musical treat is in store for the students of John Adams next Tuesday. The Sperandeo Duo will present a concert during fourth hour in the auditorium.

Giovanni Sperandeo is a lyric tenor and his wife, Elsa Sperandeo, his accompanist.

Mr. Sperandeo holds an A. B. degree from Washington University in St. Louis and an M. A. from the University of North Carolina.

Their program will consist of vocal and piano, popular and classical music. They will be wearing colorful Latin American costumes. In addition to the music, Signor Sperandeo will relate the unusual and interesting story of his life.

They have appeared before many church groups, high schools and colleges.

TEACHERS SPEND SUMMER AT SCHOOLS AND ON TRIPS

During the summer, several of the teachers spent interesting vacations either in this country or south of the border.

Mr. Neff went on a trip to the East. Some of the places he visited were: Niagara Falls, Thousand Islands, Catskill Mountains and the states of Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

Miss Law spent five weeks in Guatemala and the remainder of the summer in Mexico. While she was in Guatemala there was a revolution. If you want excitement, go down to Guatemala says Miss Law.

Miss Moberg attended summer school at Indiana University. As part of her training she went to Louisville, Kentucky to see the special film library. Instead of loaning books this library loaned records and film strips. They also owned their own broadcasting system and broadcast to many schools in Kentucky.

Miss Puterbaugh went to a workshop at Indiana State Teachers' College at Terre Haute, conducted by Mrs. Edna Bishop, originator of the Bishop's method of clothing. When clothes are made the Bishop way they appear more professional and save time in construction. They also fit better.

Mr. Weir spent July in Tennessee and the Smoky Mountains and in

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VIEWS OF ADAMS FROM SOPH EYES

"The escalator is that way." Another ten minutes of looking. Then little by little you find out. There are no escalators—not even the "Little Theater" is on the fourth floor—where we all know it belongs. How disillusioned I was the first week or, rather, how small I felt. And, then, there were all my **firsts**. My first study hall! Well, maybe you weren't, but I was sure scared of him. And then after a whole two weeks of holding my breath every time he looked my way, I found that his (Mr. Crowe's) bark is much worse than his bite. At least, so far it has been. And then my classes! All the teachers were so nice even when I made a complete fool of myself. There is just one other thing to say here, and that is: "You may be a mathematical whiz and even I liked algebra, but dog-gone it, I just can't get geometry." Right now I'd rather do anything—even play baseball—than make a circle on the black board. Maybe some day I'll catch on—and if before then anyone has a short cut—tell me quickly before I fail.

Then there are the more pleasant things in life. The first football game; the first time I sang with the whole school "Scarlet and Blue;" and then the SOPHOMORE picnic. Oh, really it was wonderful. We had more fun and the food, wow! We even played baseball and, of course I was on the losing team or should I say that they lost because of me.

Marilyn Moran.

As I slowly strolled up the walk to a new school, a new life, and new friends, I was wondering just what John Adams would be like, and how I would like the change. Now, after two weeks, my opinions of this new school life have been formed. I like it very much. I have discovered that the boys and girls are wonderful; the teachers are surprisingly pleasant, and the school is exceptionally clean and beautiful.

I never was told to go up to the Little Theater by elevator or down to the cafeteria for lunch when I asked some helpful senior where I was going. They were all very friendly and told me just where to go and how to get there.

I think Adams offers clubs for everyone of every type. I am also proud of the team and hope they keep up the good work. I, and I am sure all of the other 10B's could write on and on about Adams but it all falls into one sentence. "Adams is just plain wonderful."

Joyce Swindendorf.

Adams Student Lives in Tokyo For Past Year

Paul De Long has lived in Tokyo, Japan for the last year. I am sure you all are interested in his way of life there.

1. What kind of school did you attend?

The school, known as Tokyo American School or Mequro, was a two-story brick building. It was erected in 1935 for the children of foreign trades and missionaries. It was built to accommodate 150 students but last year 350 attended.

2. Did Japanese students attend this school?

No Japanese or German students were allowed to attend. However, there were Chinese, Russian, Canadian, Belgian, Australian, Indonesian and French students.

Americans Teach School

3. Of what nationality were your teachers?

All of the teachers, except the Japanese language teachers, were carefully selected Americans with plenty of experience. For example, our chemistry teacher was one of those who worked on the A-bomb, and our basketball coach had previously coached a university in Egypt, Manhattan University, and the American Olympic Basketball Team.

4. When on a date, where did you go?

The teen-agers had their own club in which dances were held every Saturday night. On Wednesday nights one of the numerous officers' clubs in Tokyo would sponsor a dance for us. Parties and get-togethers were held on the average of at least once a week. There are approximately ten American theaters in the Tokyo area, one of which is one of the largest in the world. It costs 20 cents to go to a first run movie there. Most of the films are shown in local theaters two to three weeks before they are in South Bend.

He Climbs Fujiyama

5. Did you do much traveling in Japan? If so, where?

I traveled to Nikko, the center of Buddhist and Shinto religion in Japan, to Kamakura, where the 700 year old idol of Buddha is located, to Karuizawa, a famous vacation resort, and I climbed Mt. Fujiyama.

6. Were there many American young people in Tokyo at the time you were there?

I would estimate that there were approximately 2,000 in the Tokyo and Yokohama area.

Likes Tokyo Better

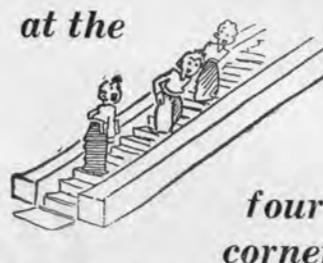
7. Did you enjoy your stay? Why?

I enjoyed my stay very much because of the experience and knowledge that I gained.

8. How do you compare South Bend with Tokyo?

I liked Tokyo much better than South Bend. They had many more types of entertainment for teenagers and you never lacked anything to do.

9. How were you accepted by



The Chemistry I students are having a tough time figuring out why everyone in the class gets a different result on the same experiment. It makes it so hard to copy.

Phyllis Sells is still wearing Mel Edgerton's ring. Or should we stay "still" or "again"?

Hey! Fred LaCosse! What is your sudden interest in the sophomore class? Could it be Virginia Steinmetz?

While you're buying your tickets for next week's game with Washington, don't forget to see Miss Kaczmarek about tickets for the Central show, Lady Precious Stream, which plays Friday and Saturday nights.

A letter from last year's feature editor, Jeanne Ingram, says that a room over the front door in a Purdue dorm has its advantages. She wants to write an essay on "the door step technique."

Inhabiting a regular spot on one of the four corners are Pat Arisman and Jim Brennan, a couple which survived the long summer. Another duo in that category is Sheila Fitzsimmons and Roy Tepe.

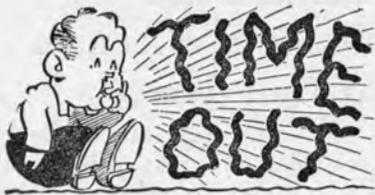
The Dragon sign which hung at "the corners" a couple weeks ago was made by Mary Swingendorf. Mr. Krider said it reminded him of a tavern sign. (?)

Now that Don Carson (alum) has gone to his air training post, Yvonne Kollinger has gone back to her "friend" at Riley.

Since there are so many junior and senior boys who drive cars to school, wouldn't it be a nice idea if they would start a taxi service. The girls would like it, wouldn't you girls.

Are you worried, distressed, torndown? Are you having trouble sleeping nights? Does your love-life bring on these symptoms? If so, relief is in sight at last. Madam Adam will appear in future issues of The Tower to aid you, the bewildered. All you need to do is to write a note to Madam Adam, slip it in the Tower box in 106 and your prayers will be answered in future issues. You need not sign your name. Make no delay, write today. See what the Madam has to say.

the Japanese people? The Japanese people regard us as conquerors and do everything in their power to get along with us. There has only been one clash between Japanese civilians and occupationaries since the occupation began five years ago.



By Dave James

Now that the Communist control bill is law, we hear that Edwin Dean has relaxed somewhat. That fanatical I-hate-Communists look is not so prominent now.

PEOPLE—Don McClusky makes a dynamic Hamlet. Last spring Dave Williams was planning a trip to Scotland. Harold Heeter is spending the happiest ten years of his life with the John Adams band. Miss Roell is helping to write gossip for the "Tower." Be careful what you say and do in her classes.

Adamite of the Week—Larry Kreighbaum.

Larry is a senior in John Adams and hails from 205. He sings with the Glee-Club and is a board member of the Drama Club. Larry also presides as president of the Screen Club.

Winter is coming on. I wonder what John L. Lewis will do to stir up excitement this year.

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CLUB NEWS

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at work. With Mr. Weir's helpful aid, the boys have been ushering all games at School Field as well as handling the crowd at the school play. There are twelve new members being admitted into the club. This will boost the membership to thirty-three.

Mrs. Thompson and the girls of the G. A. A. are working on organization and membership. Fall sports activities will be starting soon.

Your Student Council under the guidance of Mr. Rothermel had its first meeting yesterday. The representatives on the council discuss and attempt to carry out plans to make you, the student body, happy.

The Library Club is always busy caring for books in the library and in the classrooms. Norma Casper

of the Adams Library Club is vice-president of the Hoosier Student Librarian Association. She and Miss Moberg will travel to the Association's Conference tomorrow.

Miss Shively is sponsoring the Y-Teens this year. The girls had a call-out meeting on September 26 when Katherine Null spoke on the purpose of the group. Yesterday they held the nomination of officers and discussed Roll Call Week.

The Monogram Club, composed of the boys who have won a monogram in some sport, directs its loyalties to the school rather than to any group or person. They promote and preserve wholesome athletic activities, assist in the promotion of school activities and foster a feeling of respect for school property.

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TEACHERS' VACATIONS

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the coal mine sections of West Virginia and Kentucky.

In August he went to the locks of Ste. St. Marie and spent a few days in Detroit.

Miss Bauer was enrolled at the University of Chicago for an intergroup work shop. She learned some new techniques of teaching that she hopes to use.

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In a thrilling game that kept every fan in his seat until the final gun, the Elkhart Blue Blazers came from behind in the last quarter to whip the John Adams Eagles at school field Friday night.

The Eagles led throughout the game on touchdowns scored by Jack Nordblad, Harold Pipke and Paul Geiger. Geiger's counter came on a 76-yard sprint. He also converted for the only Eagle extra point. In the first quarter Norblad went around the right end with splendid blocking for the touchdown. He tracked thirty yards for the touchdown. When the Eagles again got the ball, Geiger went the distance from his own 23-yard line for the second score. His try for the point was blocked. Pipke sped around end for the third score. A Norblad to Graf pass was incomplete for the extra point.

The Elkhart tally came from two touchowns by Bob Cappettelli and one by Del Landis. Landis converted twice.

PEARL AND SHEILA LEAD CHEERS AGAIN

For the third consecutive year Pearl Coffman and Sheila Fitzsimmons won a position on the cheering squad. At the cheerleader tryouts last Friday morning they were chosen to lead the cheers for the Varsity with Carole DeClark and Karen Kindig.

Nancy Guisinger, Nancy Lochsmondy, Raynel Lowel, and Larry Goller were chosen as "B" team leaders.

BY LINES - - - by Bartol

THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER

The new cheerleaders were really doing their best at the Elkhart game. They are Pearl Coffman, Sheila Fitzsimmons, Carole DeClark, and Karen Kindig. Incidentally, these girls did go back to the school to cheer the players after the Elkhart game. They're trying their best to make their cheerleading the finest possible. The new tennis team had a bit of bad luck last week. They played three matches and they lost three matches. They lost to Fort Wayne 3-2, to Mishawaka 5-0, and to LaPorte 4-1. Let's be patient and remember that this team is new and inexperienced. They should have played Goshen this Tuesday and were scheduled to play Central yesterday. . . . At Fort Wayne last Wednesday the John Adams Cross Country team placed second in a triangular meet. Fort Wayne North Side won the contest with Goshen placing third. Jack Bussert took a second for Adams. Yesterday should have found our cross country team challenging LaPorte . . . Michigan City was the scene of a "B" team football contest between Michigan City and Adams last Monday. The Red Devil team seemed to remember the beating their varsity took at the hands of our varsity and walloped the "B" team 26-0.

BASKETBALL TO START SOON

For the benefit of those who have been inquiring about basketball for this year, the season should have been started this Monday. The first scheduled game is to be played here with Washington-Clay, Wednesday, November 15. Also, in answer to other questions, the holiday tour-

ney will take place on the 28th and 29th of December with Adams, Mishawaka, Riley and Washington participating. Those interested in basketball should make it their business to become acquainted with Warren Seaborg and Rollo Neff.

THE CAST IS OFF

There is one fellow at John Adams who is breathing a sigh of relief this week. This person is Jack Troeger. While practicing football with the team in August, Jack received a broken collarbone. Since then he has had the bone set several times and has been through a siege of pneumonia. But, last Friday put an end to most of his discomforts as the cast was taken off. We hope he doesn't have to wear one again.

EAGLES BATTLE RILEY TONIGHT

Tonight will be the scene of a rugged contest. Adams will be trying for a third win after two losses and two wins. This will be anything but easy since Riley is considered the foremost team in the city. However, this seems to make little difference when the Eagles go to work.



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Adams Band Honor Servicemen At Half Time

During the half-time of the Elkhart game the John Adams Band payed tribute to the armed forces and the deceased by playing their theme songs and forming a symbol of each. The highlight of this event was when the band formed a large plane and the four baton twirlers acted as propellers. They marched down the field in an effort to make it appear real.

Tonight the band will join with the South Bend Community Chest in its plea for \$401,221 to support the 18 Red Feather agencies in 1951.

Also for the second time this season the band will be a part of Arch Ward's campaign to pray for world peace. For ten seconds before the band plays our National Anthem the fans breathe a prayer for peace.

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