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JUNIOR RED CROSS DRIVE BEGINS

V-12-A-12 SCHOLARSHIPS

The second nationwide test for candidates who wish to be considered for the Army/ Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program, V-12, will be held November 9, 1943 in the cafeteria. Taking the test does not constitute an enlistment in either branch of the armed services. Having taken the test, a student is not obligated to enter the program if he is accepted. However, no candidate who expresses a preference for the Army will be considered by the Navy or vice-versa. No change in preference may be made after the day of the test. Anyone who expects to take the qualifying test should consider carefully in advance (a) the eligibility requirements for each program, and (b) if eligible for both programs, which one is preferred. It is open to men who will reach their seventeenth birthday but not their twenty-second birthday before March 1, 1944, and who are high school graduates or will graduate on completion of their current term. Seventeen-year-olds in this group will receive offers of a military scholarship which will entitle them to basic phase instruction in Army Specialized Training Program. Holders of the military scholarships are sent to colleges and universities selected by the War Department. Each student will be notified by approximately December 20 as to whether or not he has qualified on the test. However, no test scores will be reported either to students or school authorities.

ASSEMBLY TOMORROW

Tomorrow morning for the assembly Mr. E. C. Belzer will give a talk on the modern communication with the telephone.

He will demonstrate how to use the "Voice Mirror," which is a recording machine, the "Throat Michrophone," which is used for aviation purposes, and other interesting demonstrations along the line of communication.

Mr. E. C. Belzer comes from the Indianapolis information department of Indiana for the Bell Telephone Company.



IR. RED CROSS REPRESENTATIVES

Left to Right: Back Row, Richard Gartner, Ethel Schrader, and Jack Miles. Front Row, Patricia Lidecker, Betty Welber, Marion Grassby, and Janet Bickel.

RUSH! RUSH!

Have you seen some Adams students frantically rushing around after fifth hour murmuring to themselves, "I've got to catch that bus or I'll be late to work?" Well the chances are that most of these students are members of retail selling class. What, you've never of it? Well, let me explain it to you.

These students all work a minimum of fifteen hours a week in some of the uptown stores. They receive one credit for being in the class and another credit for working. In this class they learn how to give sales talks, what to say in an interview with a prospective employer and various other important things. Any of you interested in retail selling would find this a very profitable class.

The members of the present retail selling class who are working are Marian Bowles, Kathryn Carrow, Doris Casper, Patt Claunch, Pat Clawson, Wilma Davis, Robert Fox, Wallace Gilman, LaVern Graf, Marjorie Haviland, Phyllis Janick, Marianna Merkle, Geraldine Pinkerton, Irene Putman, Donn Ransberger, June Staton, June Watkins, and Merian Wharton. The stores cooperating with this class are Sears, Adler's, Worth's, Robertson's, Ellsworth's, Woolworth's, Harry's Flower Shop, Wyman's, Spiro's and Francowiak's.

12B CAREER CONFERENCES

War, which has changed countless other things, is going to show itself by the changes made in this year's 12B career conference. Gone are the days when great masses of students planned and dreamed during their high school years of the professional careers they would have someday, only to find that professional jobs were scarce except for a fortunate few. Now the situation has reversed. The supply of teachers, nurses, doctors, social workers, home economists, engineers and of many other of the vital professions has been drained by industry and the armed forces. Now there cannot be too many boys and too many girls to plan to fill these serious vacancies. More than ever before, should young high school people plan professional

This has been a little preview of what to expect at the 12B career conferences. The person who speaks will probably be a member of the very profession about which he is speaking.

The first conference will be Tuesday, Oct. 5 followed by conferences on two succeeding Tuesday mornings. There will be two or more conferences each morning.

Day by day we are spinning our fate for good or ill.

ENROLLMENT NOV. 1-15

The Jr. Red Cross is one of the most useful branches of the Red Cross. Founded in 1916, it now has an enrollment of more than 17,000,000 boys and girls.

The executive council of the Jr. Red Cross chapter of St. Joseph County is made up of representatives from the various schools in the county. From this group, officers for the year are chosen. A member of John Adams High, Jack Miles, will serve as president for the coming year. Other representatives from our school are Janet Bickel, Betty Welber, Richard Gartner, Ethel Schrader, Marion Grassby, and Patricia Lidecker.

Meetings are held once a month at the Red Cross Headquarters in Tippecanoe Place, at which time the council makes plans for the year. The first meeting was held Wednesday, Sept. 29, and Mr. Daniel W. Bell, Treasurer of the American Junior Red Cross, spoke.

The organization has a vast program, a few items of which are listed here:

- National Children's Fund This fund is for the benefit of children in our own and other lands. After the last war, \$3,000,000 was contributed. The end of this war will find an even greater sum turned in
- Production for the Armed Forces

 Army blankets, menu covers, and gift kits are all made in the schools by the school children.
 For wounded service men in the hospitals ash trays, checkerboards, and chairs are made.
- Staff Assistance Corps This
 corps is made up mostly of girls
 with stenographic ability who aid
 the senior staff in any way possible.
- Accidents are aided by the check lists which are distributed.

These are but a few items in their vast program. These activities and others can be furthered by contributing to the Junior Red Cross Enrollment Drive No. 1-15. Remember the Red Cross doesn't gain by it — you do.

TOWER THE STAFF

son, Nell Watson, Rosemarie Lubbers.

TOWER

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YOUR DEBT

Ah! Ah! Don't touch that dime! Wait a second before you buy that ice cream soda. Just a minute while I talk to you. While you eat that maybe one of the 100 boys in the service who formerly went to Adams needs an extra handgrenade or a bullet to protect him from a Jap or a German. Maybe it's the boy you knew — one of the football team — or maybe he was on the Tower staff. That dime isn't much — but together with a lot of others it will help to buy the supplies and equipment necessary for victory.

I know it isn't very pleasant when you turn on the radio hoping to hear some hot licks from Harry Jame's trumpet, and get instead, "Buy More War Bonds and Stamps." You walk down the street and all you see are war bond posters, and you go to a movie and the same thing there. You're just sick and tired of hearing about it. You and about 13 million other Americans, but what can we do about it? Well, we could stop listening to the radio, stop going to the movies, etc., but I'm afraid it wouldn't do much good. The sooner the war is over, the sooner you will stop hearing about Bonds and Stamps and the best way to end the war is to buy, Buy and BUY some more stamps instead of that old ice cream soda or the bottle of pop. Let's get behind the Boys from Adams and . . .

BUY BONDS!

SALE OF DEFENSE STAMPS AND BONDS

Total for week of Sept. 20th	\$1,039.20
HIGH-POINT ROOMS:	
Total	Per Capita
Mrs. McClure's 12A's in 103	\$2.75
Miss Puterbaugh's 10B's in 204 97.85	2.45
WATCH THE BAR GRAPH	
FOR YOUR HOMEROOM STANDING	Total
	Per Capita
	for
PRESENT LEADERS:	three weeks
Mrs. McClure's 12A's in 103	\$8.96
Miss Law's 12B's in 101	8.89

WHO WILL WIN THE NINE-WEEK SALE RACE?

If you work for a man, in heaven's name work for him! If he pays you wages that supply your bread and butter, work for him—speak well of him, think well of him, stand by him and stand by the institution he represents.—Elbert Hubbard.

TOWER TALK

Is it sudden popularity or is it Central's Joan Hodson that's making Carlos Carona a bit uppitty lately? Will his date with "Linny" Minzey (Connie's sister) perhaps change things?

FRANKLY, there is one darling soph who we suspect is a WULF.

Now please don't tell a soul that "Mabel" Erhart and Louie La Pierre have been going steady ever since Louie found Mary alone with Freddie Crowe "talking" (ahem!) one evening. Also on the list of Going Steadies are Shirley Kline and pretty Bobby Casey. Isn't this short notice for severing old ties, you two?

Three of a kind — always together: Bob Poiser, Romanita and Leon Simon.

We perdict that someday John Adams' gift to the modeling profession will be Martha Nicholson.

One looks like the negative of the other's photo. Fran and Jan Bickel. Fran is dating Bob Duncan, as well as giving Bev Herman a run for Cecil Smith. Meanwhile, Cecil likes Ann Dunnahoo, Janet went down to Purdue to visit Harold Slutsky last week-end. Some mix-up, huh?

If that blonde dish he has been dating is any indicator, Joe Cassonova must have something we're overlooking.

SLOGAN: Toughie, but oh so gentle, Culp.

Never underestimate a former Adams' girl! Remember the football game where Dixie Lou Bonsall walked in with four marines and out with a sailor.

Why isn't "Beany" Welber more concerned over the attention John Rigby has been giving Pat Kindig?

Does the promenading of Dick Stevens and Eleanor Dent continue outside of school, we wonder? Ditto for Peg Kedzie and Don Barnbrook.

And do you know which lucky Adams' girl has been getting long distance calls from Alumnus Eddie Easley?

Betty Lange and Stan Barber are engaged.

Darwin Hoose and Patty Brown no longer go steady.

It seems as though a certain Norma L. has fallen for one of those Central wolves . . . Why does Louis Rosner hang around the Library just before 5th hour????

COBWEB COLUMN

A year ago at this time those who are now junior B's were the new incoming sophomores. They were running around the halls with that strange new look about them. Peg Kedzie didn't take but a short time to get acquainted, but with that cute way of hers, how could it take her long? Pat Kindig had her eye for Bob Duneau at first and Joan Smith was busy as a bee answering letters from Jack Yuncker (alumni). Perfect locker candidates were Wayne Sarber and Mary Weatherman.

Mr. Krider managed to get a debate team together quick while the dramatic club had a play on the way which was very successful. "Tish" was the name and the lead was taken by Alice Hoover (alumni).

Our football team played Riley High School with the score in their favor. Pat Baille (alumni) was our star with John Ray succeeding in doing a good job of taking his place.

One of our most outstanding clubs took in twenty new members to begin ushering for many outstanding occasions. It did a wonderful job with George Haslanger (alumni), president.

ROVING REPORTER

Have you been in Miss Law's room of late? If you haven't, make it a point to view the displays. There is an attractive display of pictures concerned with the Spanish-speaking countries, and a group of pictures of Pan-American flags with the coat of arms accompanying them. A Master Key is also located on the bulletin board which shows the similarity of Spanish and American common words. A map of Spanish-speaking countries with the products concerned with each country is interesting, too.

Another room of interest is room 305. Mr. Krider has posted on the bulletin board a collection of clippings — popularizing classics. Munro Leaf, the man who popularized them is the creator of Ferdinand the Bull. He is credited for popularizing Ivanhoe, The House of Seven Gables, Romeo and Juliet, The Virginian, and many others. Each story is accompanied by a cartoon showing a popular scene. Merian Wharton did the work of collecting and pasting these clippings.

Out for a "Coke date" the other afternoon were Rosemarie Lubbers and Jim McLean.

Almost as traditional as John Adams — Mary Jane Wishman and Neil Walters.

If Louie McKinney can't find anyone else to date, there is always

- PETE

"THE ADAMS' APPLES" By TWO FRESH MEN

By now, school is ofnce again in full swing. It should all right . . . from the gallows. The Adams' Apples wish to give a rather late but solid welcome to one swell guy . . . our new teacher and coach, Mr. Powell. Good luck, Coach!

... GYM JAM WITH HAM ...

Ace Darnell, expert cigaret-moocher, is having his troubles too. What worries Ace this week is the new exercise Mr. Ham has installed in his gym class. If one listens to Mr. Ham attentively, he will have no trouble in carrying out this latest innovation. With a gleam in his eye, Mr. Ham refers to this as "The Gold(ie) bricker's Waterloo." The directions are very simple. First, stand erect with chest out. Feel silly, don't you? Now, place one leg around the neck. (This exercise can later be applied when taking a bath as a sure-fire method of keeping your feet clean.) Now, standing on your remaining leg, without letting it know, whip it up around your neck. At this point Mr. Ham usually yells, "Surprise, surprise!!", and Ace, that merry little fellow, yells, 'Oh joy, oh bliss, let's do it again." Whereupon, the rest of the class inevitably helps the wobbly Ace to his callous-

... BIGGEST RUMOR OF WEEK ...

Because of the big turnout for the last few matinees, the school has decided to adjourn any afternoon a band appears at the Palace.

... FAMILIAR SCHOOL SCENES ...

Jack Miles helping the Freshmen girls with their studies. They call him 'Stud" Miles . . . Luke Lawitzke and his familiar "Hello there" . . . Bill Snoke drumming up dates . . . The effervescent Tokie Martindale . . . Big Businessman Chartier scanning the Daily Racing Chart . . . Ned (Let me off uptown) Schwanz's drapes . . . Poor Work Slips!!!

? ? QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK ? ?

Will Ned Wedlake ever get a date? (If he'd like a date with a pit in it, he oughta try St. Joe Academy.) Will Irish get his manager's letter dirty this week? Will Herbie catch Juanita? (Ed. Note: This last is a catch question.)

FLASH — Cliff, the Boiler Room Baritone, has sent an ultimatum to the school ashman: Haul, or nothing at all.

Restaurant patron: "I want a goodsized glass of orange juice; two strictly fresh eggs poached medium soft, on buttered toast that isn't too brown; coffee with no sugar and plenty of cream in it; and a couple of doughnuts that aren't all holes."

Waiter: "Yes, sir. And would you like any special design on the dishes?"

I MET... FATHER FLANAGAN

By JACK HOUSTON

There aren't many men who you can call your true friends nowadays, but every once in a while it happens that you are fortunate, and run across a person in whose hands you could place your life if necessary.

It was on the night of September 16, that one of these once in a whiles happened. This was the evening when John Adams was honored by the presence of Father Flanagan of Boys Town fame. As I was sitting in our auditorium enjoying the K of C war bond program, which high-lighted Father Flanagan's speech, I was struck by a happy thought. Why not, I thought transmit such a wonderful personality to the John Adams' students, who were not fortunate enough to attend this program. But then the question arose as to how I could get to Father Flanagan. In my scheming mind, however, this presented no obstacle. And listen my children and you shall hear,

How I gained my object, By entrance, through a door in the

rear.

Dick Stevens, our sports editor, was also attending the program. I approached him and told him my plans, asking him to accompany me on my endeavor. As we were still talking we glanced up on the stage and to our dismay Father Flanagan was gone. Knowing that we had better act swiftly, we took to our left flank, went down the side hallway to the end and there on our right loomed a huge door. I grasped the handle, pulled the door open, and there was Father Flanagan. I introduced Dick and myself and became acquainted with a real swell guy. He is just the kind of a fellow you would expect him to be. Bright and jovial with deep blue smiling eyes: that would be a good description for Father Flanagan.

He told us that we had a wonderful school and then began talking to us on a subject he knew we would be interested in, sports. He asked us about our football team so we promptly told him the best. Then he told us about the Boys Town football team and mentioned that 300 of his boys were in the service besides 13 who have already given their lives. He talked about his speech and then to our disappointment he had to leave us. He shook hands with us, wished us luck, and then was gone.

All in all, there is one fellow I'll never forget as long as I live, Father Flanagan.

Fond Mother: "Yes, Genevieve is taking French and Algebra. Say good morning to Mrs. Jones in Algebra, darling."

ADAMS ARMED ALUMNI

Seaman Red Larson is a Ships Cook 3rd Class at Pearl Harbor.

... V —

Seaman Clem Kuespert is graduating from radio school at Chicago University.

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Seaman Clarence Laughman has fought at Sicily and was in a major battle on North Africa. He is on active duty again probably in the Pacific. He is only 17 years old. His brother, George, who graduated with Adams' first graduating class is stationed somewhere on an island in the Atlantic.

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Seaman Jack Downing is on active duty somewhere in the South Pacific.

Sept. 27, 1943

Dear Tower Staff and Students of Adams High:

I received a copy of the Tower and certainly was glad to find that we boys in the service are still remembered by our fellow students and faculty.

I really enjoyed reading it as I always have. It brings back memories of the swell times I had at good old A. H. S.

I want to thank you for wour consideration and I hope to see you soon.

SAMMY KATZ

The motorist had just pulled into the filling station to get gasoline. That done, the attendant was going through his little ritual.

"Check the oil, sir?"

"It's okay."

"Got enough water in the radiator?"

"Filled up."

"Air?"

"No, thanks."

"Anything else, sir?"

'Yes, would you please stick out your tongue so I can seal this letter?"

WANTED

OLD RADIOS for use in Radio and Electricity courses. See Mr. Reber — Room 206

CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 6 -Glee Club, 7:30 A.M. Band, 7:30 A.M. Drama Club, 3:45 P.M. Thursday, October 7 — Orchestra, 7:30 A.M. Faculty Meeting, 3:45 P.M. Assembly — Telephone Friday, October 8 -Glee Club, 7:30 A.M. Band, 7:30 A.M. Saturday, October 9 Football Game - Adams vs. Washington Monday, October 11 -Bulletin, War Stamps Glee Club, 7:30 A.M. Band, 7:30 A.M. Tuesday, October 12 -Carreer Conferences, 11A-12B -

EVERYBODY SING

8:35 A.M.

The music department has become very active these past few weeks. About ninety-five students have been attending Glee Club rehearsals. With this wonderful turnout, it's going to be a hard job for Mrs. Pate to pick out regular members. Right now they are practicing on the North Central Music.

À community sing was led by a small group from the Glee Club and we hope there will be many more of them. The student body should be complimented on their singing of the Star-Spangled Banner. It really sounded as though an effort was made, but certainly we can do better. Let's show everyone we can, the next time we sing it!

On Constitution Day, September 16, the music department again contributed to the program. A small group, Joan Smith, Mary Furnish, Norma Zimmerman, Richard Neland, Bob Tucker, Paul Green, and accompanied by Pat Annis, sang "Invictus" and "God Bless Our Land."

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EAGLES DOWNED BY GOSHEN, 13-7

WEATHER DAMPENS TEAM'S VICTORY HOPES

For sixty minutes in a drizzling rain the Eagles were beaten both by the weather and Goshen last Friday and it is hard to tell which was the deciding factor in our loss. Recalling last year's game, we find that we defeated them in about the same weather conditions, also with about two inches of snow on the ground.

Goshen, though obviously no pushover, certainly isn't a respected enemy. We expected to beat them just like we anticipated beating Central, Goshen being a less feared opponent than Central.

Then came defeat, defeat which can be accounted for by but two things — lack of teamwork and lack of spirit. It has always been my opinion in the past that Adams was gifted with as good material for a squad as any other school and this year is no exception. This partly appears to be the trouble as the players seem to strive for individual glory. In every game there is a necessity for some individuality but when carried to the extreme it recalls the old adage: United We Stand - Divided We Fall.

Looking at the spirit end of it, I quess there's not much to say as it's entirely up to the players, but I do know that certain men of the present varsity, in the past year or years have shown much more fight.

Getting back to the game. It was found that many of the players were below par but also some well above. Ray was in there as usual, with "Vince" and Norblad who really got the lead out of their pants and did some good running.

The line as a whole looked fair but showed openings for improvement in as far as aggression goes. An especially commendable act of good thinking was Krovitch's falling on the ball over their goal line on the kick-off which scored our lone touchdown.

The whole week following the Goshen game has been spent in hard preparation for the Riley game so that we will have as good a chance of winning as possible and by the time you read this you will know whether that effort was in vain!





NEIL OTTO WALTERS

One of the brightest days in history was August 9, 1926. On this day Neil Otto Walters came into this world. When he was two weeks old his folks started feeding him nails for breakfast. He soon got tired of nails so he changed to railroad

His favorite sport is football and his favorite dish is a cute Junior A. He lives at 3610 Hastings St. All of his friends call him "coach" and it is a title fitting to his ability.

He came to John Adams with no previous football experience, but adapted himself to the game quite readily. After two years of "B" team football he moved into the No. 1 quarterback spot. He had no previous experience at this position because the former coach, Mr. Gale had him playing halfback. He is one of the best passing backs in the business and can also run, kick, block, and tackle pretty well.

He has started in all of the games up to this date and has been a big cog in the Adams' Wheel of Football. He adds, "for the benefit of all up and coming 'sophs' I attribute my great ability and endurance to 'Quickies' the breakfast food of champions."

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