

## “CONNECTICUT YANKEE” — SATURDAY NIGHT

### DRAMA CLUB TO SPONSOR DANCE APRIL 14

#### PAT MEYERS WILL PLAY

Attention! Girls! This is the girls' greatest chance to grab a man. The Man-Hunt, sponsored by the Drama Club will be held April 14. Pat Meyers and her orchestra will play for dancing in the Little Theater. The tickets will be 90 cents a couple. Watch the Tower for further information and also keep your eyes open for an eligible man.

### P. T. A. WILL MEET THURSDAY EVENING

#### MR. JOHNSTON TO SPEAK

The John Adams Parent-Teacher association will meet Thursday evening, March 23, at 7:45. Speaker for the evening will be Mr. S. Robert Johnston, native Australian, whose subject will be "Strange Australia." Mr. Johnston is an excellent speaker and has appeared before many groups in the city. Election of officers will be held at this time.

*Teacher:* "As punishment for your misbehavior the entire class must remain for two hours after school hours."

*Voice from rear:* "Give me liberty or give me death."

*Teacher:* "Who said that?"

*Voice:* "Patrick Henry."



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

Drama Club—3:30 p. m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

Glee Club—7:30 a. m.

End of grading period

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

"A CONNECTICUT YANKEE"—  
8:00 p. m.

MONDAY, MARCH 27

Glee Club—7:30 a. m.

War Stamps

Bulletin

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

12A Indiana Extension—8:30 a. m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

Glee Club—7:30 a. m.

### A WORD OF ADVICE FROM ONE WHO KNOWS

I suppose there are very few who remember us of the second graduating class at dear ole Adams! I was, I guess, among the luckier of those armed alumni of Adams, being sent here to Wisconsin to study engineering under the Army Specialized Training Program. All thru my ASTP basic and training here, I have received the good ole Tower and wouldn't trade it for anything. You who are in school now don't realize what your high school life will mean to you in the very near future; I know, because the first we realized it was the very day of graduation.

Those of you who are approaching 18 face the same situation as those of us who left in the Class of '43 and are no doubt thinking seriously of the next few months. What I am leading up to is this: it can be seen clearly that the post-war world is going to be one of specialization and education is becoming more and more essential. I didn't appreciate the education I received at Adams until I started to work here at the university; when one starts on seven college subjects with less than one hour provided study in each, he begins to think a little. Remember how Miss Bennett always made us get our History or else? How Reber was always harping on us to get that chem or physics done and by yourself? Yes, it was a lot of work and you get tired of the incessant harping on it, BUT . . . why is it that we have already had 50% of our 1st termers flunk out? Think it over; watch the one who reads the latest Superman comic in math class and watch the one who listens to what the instructor is teaching . . . and THINK. Some here thought that study and hard work was a waste of time and coeds were so much more worthwhile, they . . . well, why worry about what happened to them and where they are now.

All this stuff I've said has probably been boring you but just think about it for awhile. I'm trying to tell you the things that were told us and the things so many forgot. Don't you

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### Mr. Dammon Advises Students To Look To The Future

Friday, March 10, the students of John Adams had the privilege of hearing a talk given by Mr. Dammon, the Director of Admissions at Purdue. His topic was "Seeing Today with the Eyes of Tomorrow." He stressed the value of college even during war time and the importance of specialized training for those who are planning on entering the service. Following his talk Mr. Dammon met with the senior boys and answered their questions concerning college in connection with the service. Miss Coolidge, Dean of Women at Purdue, spoke to the girls about the necessity of a college education as a preparation to do something of importance in the war effort, and also as being important for personal lives.

Mr. Dammon's and Miss Coolidge's talks were enjoyable as well as educational and are fast becoming the thing we looked forward to as an annual event at Adams.

### ALBUM PLUG

We hope everyone is saving every bit of small change they can get their hands on because the album is going to be super this year. We are progressing rapidly on it and we believe you will get as much pleasure out of reading it as we are getting in making it. Besides, look who is editor. Adams' own protege, Barbara Kreimer. Just knowing that ought to be enough to tell you how swell the Album is going to be.

### I. U. Extension Assembly For Senior A's Friday

The Indiana Extension assembly for senior A's only, will be Friday morning during sponsor period. This will give those who do not plan to enter college in the fall an opportunity to become familiar with the extension program and the courses and subjects which are offered here at home.

Dr. Caldwell, who is in charge of the Indiana Extension, will conduct the meeting.



### PRODUCTION PROMISES TO BE HUGE SUCCESS

The time is now! Today is the day to purchase those tickets for "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court." This is the thing you have been waiting for. You'll see a chorus of fifty, colorful costumes, beautiful girls, and hear such musical favorites as "Make Believe," "My Heart Stood Still," and many others. You'll see Joan Smith and George Turner in the starring roles along with a host of other talented performers.

Tickets may be purchased, for 40 cents, from any senior. This is your opportunity to show your appreciation to Mrs. McClure, Mrs. Pate, Mr. Cassidy, and the others for the fine work they have done.

When the curtain goes up at 8:00 o'clock Saturday night, Adams' Thespians will present a production to top all productions.

You can't afford to miss "A Connecticut Yankee."

### Connecticut Yankee Is First All-Popular Musical Given At Adams

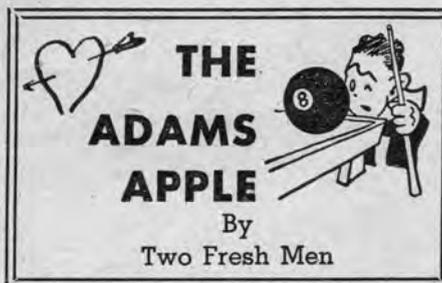
Mrs. Pate's glee club never thought they would see her direct popular music and enjoy it. "A Connecticut Yankee" consists of many tricky, popular tunes, and no one enjoys working them out better than our teacher of classics.

This production is the first all-popular musical ever given on our Adams stage. Not only is the music different, but the words and actions have a catchy, modern twist to them. Everyone is going all-out to make "Connecticut Yankee" a success. The leads have been practicing almost every evening, and the chorus has been faithful and co-operative, also the football boys in the production, scrimmage in the field in the afternoon, and do their dance steps gracefully in the evening.

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WALLS DO HAVE EARS!!!!

Have you ever thought about us? If not, surely you have heard the saying, "walls have ears." I do believe that very few of you think that we have ears and can listen to what you tell that friend of yours about last night's date. That thrilling moment when . . . yes, that's right, we heard what you said M. J. VDM. Oh, of course, we never tell anyone else about what we hear, but in the evening when all is quiet we (w)alls get together to discuss your daily talks.

For example Delbert (to you, he is the northeast wall at J. A.) reported that he heard Casey mumbling about "Dee" and himself not going steady, as yet, but that he thinks maybe "Dee" will change her mind soon. At least he hopes she will. Also heard was Betty Murphy telling B. M. that she still likes F. G. (a paratrooper) and she would like to see more of him when he is in town.

Lucifer (our southwest wall) overheard Nancy Constantine talking to Joan G. and telling her she was asked to go steady, but refused. (A Riley man?) Then Lucifer started feeling low because he had heard Bob Duncan complaining that he had a feeling he was losing Peg to a certain Gene Turner who only last week was talking to Ward B. about M.A.T.

Percival (our northwest wall) overheard these questions: How does Louie LaPierre do his courting these days? Are Don Stevens and Liela Loughridge feeling mutual? Are Ned Wedlake and Fred Crowe on the loose? What would Bob have to say about "Tokie" and Bud?

"Alonzo" hears the same sweet nothings being whispered every day down his southeast way. He reports that "Andy" and Phil, Regina and Jack, Rosemae and Carl, Mary Jane and "Sparky," Alvin and Eleanor, Bob and Romanita, Jean Clarke and Jack Wright are strictly in the "MOONLIGHT AND ROSES" department.

Swell happenings kids to you, your every day discussions probably go in one ear and out the other, but they are impressed in our minds. Now you know that walls do have ears, and memories also! We are like elephants . . . we never forget. AH HA . . . BE CAREFUL!!!!

An American newspaper correspondent in Japan wrote to a friend. "I don't know if this letter will ever arrive, because the Japanese censor may open it." A week later he received a note from the Japanese post office saying, "The statement in your letter is not correct. We do not open letters."

Spring is here! The birds (no reference to Barnbrook and Houston) are singing, the bees are buzzing, and the Senors are initiating new members. Among these fortunate (?) few are Tom (Go WEST, young man) MacMurray, Cecil Alexander Fesselbaum, Erwin Karlin, Cyrus Q. Hossenpfeffer, and Heinrich Hoser-schatzen. At present, they are in the process of learning the Senors' new theme song, "Allah Boogie," and also that popular sport for which the hombres are well known. This is called "Washerwoman's Delight," or "How to get out of Clark's without paying." It seems the only way to do this is not go in and go over to Walgreen's instead. Now, after they are full-fledged Senors, their first duty is to renew good neighbor relations with Elkhart. It seems the lads have struck up quite an acquaintance with a few "girls" in this fair city and they usually spend the afternoon at the show or they might spend an exciting day "browsing" around the public library. (This is better known as the "Pub"). This is the only town within twenty-five miles radius that the boys do not have to wear their jackets inside out. However, the Elkhart citizens are working on this item. About seven o'clock the party breaks up and we find "South Bend's gifts to Elkhart" on the edge of town on Route 20 giving the well-known victory signal, "Thumbs up!"

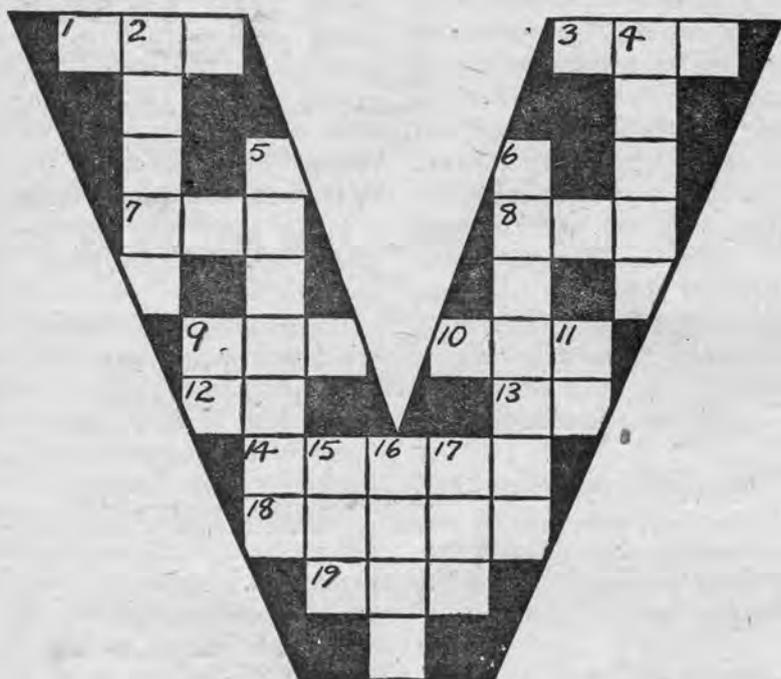
... TRICKY DICKIE ...

It seems we have neglected one of our bosom buddies in the past few months. In the ensuing article we shall attempt to rectify this grave error by reviewing his timely experiences of the past few weeks. Of course as you all know, we are referring to Dick (Yes, I catch on the Adams baseball team, but I can also pitch a little) Lawitzke. Lately he has been seen at Harry's with that Lucky Strike glamour girl, "Weed" Erickson, of the Sunnymede Weeds, teaching her how to hustle the cookies. After a quick game they left and hopped into Dick's waiting horse and buggy. Bruce always takes the shortest route home, namely over the Washington Street dam. Half way across the horse conveniently ran out of oats and Dick started to make hay. The episode ended with Joan driving across the dam alone. Now it can truly be said that Lawitzke is all wet.

"He that has no credit owes no debts."—Middleton.

A Victory Quiz

by Aileen L. Fisher.



ACROSS

1. How many green War Savings Stamps can you buy for 50 cents?
3. What color are 10-cent War Savings Stamps?
7. A definite article.
8. Illinois. (abbr.)
9. How many red Stamps can you buy for a dollar?
10. And so forth. (abbr.)
12. A preposition "America \_\_\_\_\_ Guard."
13. All right. (abbr.)
14. One who saves.
18. Buy War Savings Stamps \_\_\_\_\_ chance you get.
19. To make a mistake.

DOWN

2. What color is the eighth stripe in our flag?
4. What bird is the symbol of our country?
5. What word was previously used instead of "War" in the phrase "War Savings Bonds"?
6. What word do your two fingers stand for when you hold them up in the form of a V?
9. A preposition. On \_\_\_\_\_ victory!
11. Check. (abbr.)
15. Avenue. (abbr.)
16. Extremely. Buying Stamps and Bonds is \_\_\_\_\_ important.
17. Same as 19 across.

We cannot afford to stand still, or we may be tempted to lie down. The man who lies down deserves to get run over. Successful men are such because they have been a little more exact, a little more industrious, a little more enthusiastic—in a word, a little more alive—than the others.

It is for us to hold on with faith and determination—to rise again, succeed again, hope again. With this attitude all nature is in harmony—all life in accord.

WORD OF ADVICE

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forget!

You know, we who helped build the traditions of Adams are really proud, and feel proud of the traditions you now are building. I hope to visit Adams sometime during the next three weeks and I hope it's still on top as it always has been and will be if you keep up the good work. It means a lot to us who are working so hard for you as civilians to know that you are pulling so hard for us by purchasing war bonds and making the most of your education.

It is our duty as the future leaders and members of this new society which is to come to bear the foregoing constantly in mind. Your high school days are your happiest and most important so make the best of them. Don't let us down!

NOTE TO EDITOR: Keep up the swell work on the TOWER, it is really tops! I only wish I were back to again work on the staff. I'd appreciate hearing from all of you at Adams who have time to write.

Sincerely yours,

Cadet Don Brown

We must play fair with those who are offering their lives to preserve our liberties. Buy War Stamps and Bonds.



If you could be someone else, who would you like to be?

Regina Freels—Greer Garson, because she has such beautiful hair.

Lila Smith—I'd like to be Regina Freels, because she has such a nice personality.

Wally Goffney — I'm satisfied with myself.

Pete McNamee—That famous Marine ace, "Smitty". (He couldn't think of the rest of his name.)

Jim Hamblen — George Washington. I like his powdered wig.

Joan Steinmetz—I'm going to be a costume designer some day, so I'd like to be some famous one.

Bill Lambert—I'd like to be Louie McKinney, because of his beautiful RED jacket which all the girls love.

Last night I held a lovely hand  
A hand so soft and neat,  
I thought my heart would burst  
with joy,  
So wildly did it beat.  
No other hand unto my heart  
Could greater solace bring  
Than the dear hand I held last  
night —  
Four aces and a king.



WEEK'S TOTAL ..... \$ 3,032.65  
TOTAL TO DATE ..... 43,002.05  
HIGH-POINT ROOMS:

	Total	Per Capita
10A's in 204 .....	\$1,023.25	\$25.58
12A's in 102 .....	1,015.70	25.39
LOW-POINT ROOMS:		
12A's in 108 .....	\$8.85	22c
12B's in 210 .....	6.00	22c
10B's in 208 .....	8.65	22c

BAR-GRAPH STANDING:

	Total per capita for eight weeks
12A's in 102 .....	\$77.36
10A's in 204 .....	67.45
10A's in 107 .....	44.42

Let's make \$60,000 our goal this year! We're \$17,000 away!

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Dear Staff:

When someone talks about Africa don't always picture it as a dark and gruesome place, because it's not at all like that — at least not North Africa. When I left Casablanca to come to my present station I saw some of the most beautiful country I've ever seen. The hills and valleys can't be beat for scenery. Just picture a big hill with all its grass and flowers with a beautiful sky in the background, an Arab's cane hut sticking out like a sore thumb, then on the other side a flock of sheep grazing and the little boy standing around tending them. It's really a beautiful sight.

Here at the new station we have some beautiful country, too. There are big vineyards and plenty of orange trees. Dates are plentiful, too, but prices are very high. As for drink, you can find plenty of good wine. The people are very nice towards us. (Well, most of them are.)

The weather here is grand; sunshine every day, but the nights are sort of cold. It's very hard to find a place to eat, because food is very hard to get. All the feed places have signs saying, "Bring your own bread."

I guess I've said enough for now. So till next week when I'll write again, don't forget to get that war stamp book filled up.

Be good,

Dominic.

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WYMAN'S

# BASEBALL AND TRACK PRACTICES BEGIN

## KRIDER, GOLDSBERRY, NEFF HOLD COACHING POSITIONS IN SPORTS

With two new coaches, some new equipment, new and inexperienced players, and a newly gained prestige from our past basketball season, Adams is preparing itself for the spring sports session. At present the only thing that is holding us up right now is the weather.

### SPRING FOOTBALL UNDERWAY

Football players are supposed to be so tough that nothing can stop them so naturally they, regardless of the rain, have convened and started to organize themselves into a fast team. Spring football practice has already used up one of the four precious weeks allotted. Seventy-one players showed up out of which we have back four eligible lettermen, namely: McKinney, Casey, Goldsberry, and Balok, while the rest are mostly sophomores and juniors. Mr. Goldsberry stated that because most of the team is small (the weights ranging from 120 on up) he is going to stress speed and deception to make up for lacking brawn.

The track team, by the time this paper goes to press, will be well underway. Last Wednesday the equipment was issued to the tyros by Mr. Krider, our present coach, who incidentally has made quite a name for himself in the world of the discus, shot, and javelin. Mr. Krider also was captain of his track team in college and has headed successful teams in LaPorte. Getting back to our team, any fellow in school is welcome and urged to try out for, as "A. T." says, "Track is the one sport in which a boy not endowed with natural ability can after a few weeks of intense conditioning equal and possibly excel his competitors if he works at it." Another reason for more extensive participation is that track, which heretofore has been considered a minor sport, was declared by all the coaches to be a major sport and therefore entitled to the dignity and honor of major athletics.

Last, but certainly not least, we come to the baseball team. The call for the students has not yet been made (due to the weather) but will turn up any day now. The pitchers and catchers requested whether they could use the gym to limber up their "wings" and have been doing so lately. They are: pitchers, Hankins, Brunt, Bielow, Dickens, and Nelson, while Payton, Lawitzke, and Seffranka have been doing the catching.

Mother (on phone): "Helen, dear, could Papa and I leave your kiddies with you and Bob tonight? We're invited out for the evening."

## Baseball Schedule Announced

Mr. Neff, another newcomer to Adams is by no means a newcomer in the baseball world. He has successfully coached Middlebury High to many victorious seasons and his last team there was definitely a winning squad.

The conference games are listed as follows:

April 21	Central	.....	There
April 25	Elkhart	.....	Here
April 28	LaPorte	.....	There
May 2	Michigan City	.....	Here
May 5	Mishawaka	.....	There
May 9	Nappanee	.....	Here
May 12	Riley	.....	Here
May 16	Washington	.....	There
May 19	Bye		

The schedule for practice games has not yet been made out but these will probably consist of local teams already listed or some others not in the conference.

Answer



A Victory Quiz

## GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNEY UNDERWAY

The basketball season for the girls has gotten under way. The teams were chosen.

Hour I, "Eagles" has as captain, Polly Constant; Hour II, "Red Devils," captain, Marilouise Scott; Hour III, "Dent's Impressions," captain, Eleanor Dent; Hour IV, "X-9," captain, Norva Kuespert; Hour V, "Stumps," captain, Jackie Jennings; Hour VI, "Gruesomes," captain, Marion Grassy.

These teams will play an elimination contest beginning Monday, March 13, 1944. The final game will be played Friday, March 17, 1944. The results will be announced later.

"Why" and "how" are such useful questions that they cannot be uttered too often.—Napoleon.

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**WINDBREAKERS**  
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**THE MODERN**  
**GILBERT'S**  
"One Student Tells Another"