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JOHN ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL, SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

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## MEET THE ADAMS CHEERLEADERS

WHO'S NEW

Hello! all you happy people! For I'm sure you must be happy to be at Adams and Adams is happy to have you. Of course, you know that Adams is just "one big happy family" and you all know about your brothers and sisters at home and accordingly, we like to know about our brothers and sisters here.

So — while strolling through the halls one day I encountered just a few of the lucky people who have transferred to Adams and have become a part of our flock of little "Eagles."

Mishawaka has sent us Evajane Hoffman, Marianna Richards, and Charles Weatherly.

Washington-Clay has been very generous to let us have Luther Johnson, William Mitchell, Eleanor Touhey, Betty Jane Morris, Joan Virgil, and Jack Myers.

Jo Ann Stephenson and Eleanor Young decided to leave St. Mary's to join our family.

From Central Catholic comes Robert O'Reilly and don't think you're seeing double if you meet two handsome blond boys in the hall. They're also Central Catholic's contribution, the Millea twins, James and Joseph.

Jean Ann McCaffery comes to us from St. Joseph's Academy and Joan Hassam from Green Township.

From our own "Hoosier" state comes Norma Pontius from Geneva, Indiana, Paul Chalfant—Peru, Paul Wolfram—Walkerton, Ellis Robins—Warsaw, Rodney Miller — Muncie, and William Screes from Indianapolis

A few of the other states in the Union have been kind enough to send us some of their "prides and joys" who are: Barbara Smith and James Caleman from Chicago, Ill.; Rosalie Fleet, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Barbara Brown, Omaha, Neb.; Doris Eberhart, Webster Grove, Mo.; Sherwood Johnson, Socorro, N. M.,; Wayne Miller, Cleveland, Ohio; and Merl Deppe from Topeka, Kas.; and from way down Mexico way comes our little Spanish girl-Bertita Salazar. She's intriguing to talk to and what a person to get next to before those Spanish exams.

These are just a few of our new Adamites, but to all of you, Adams sends a hearty welcome and we hope you will like us for we're sure we will like you. CHEER LEADERS



Back row: Bo Bayman, Betty Jo Parfitt, Jimmie McNeile.
Front row: Lois Nestlerode, Bernice Alderfer, Betty Hulbert, Nancy Flickinger.
Dick Schall was not present when the picture was taken.

#### NEW FACES BEHIND THE TEACHER'S DESK

Adams has added four new teachers to it's capable staff this year.

Mrs. Bain substituted as a Home Economics teacher at several other schools before she came to Adams this fall, but she taught here when the school was first built. She graduated from Indiana University. Mrs. Bain has a family of three children: Two girls are at Central High School, and a boy attends a rural school.

Mr. Faust teaches art at Adams in the afternoon and at Muessel in the morning. He believes in an education. He graduated from Columbus Art School, and received his B. S. degree from Ohio State University and a masters degree from Columbia University, Mr. Faust being an art teacher makes it sort of a hobby to attend as many stage plays in New York during the summer as possible.

Miss S m i t h is in charge of the study hall, and it's so quiet you can hear a pin drop. She taught Home Economics and English at Central and also was in charge of the girl's study hall. Miss Smith studied at Manchester College and took postgraduate work at Wisconsin University. She thinks Adams is grand and hopes to continue here.

Another new teacher this year at Adams is Mrs. Wilson. She teaches geometry. She graduated from De-Pauw before taking up teaching in South Bend. Mrs. Wilson has her hands full between teaching and taking care of a family. Her older daughter is a student at DePauw, and her younger daughter is a Junior at Central. Mrs. Wilson thinks John Adams is a fine school and likes the attitude of the students very

#### KEEP 'EM COMING

Everybody is still celebrating. "The war's over! Hooray! Let's cash in our war bonds!" People seem to think that when the fighting is done, there is no need for money. Oh but kiddies, you're wrong. Why, do you realize that the first Monday that stamps went on sale here at Adams, only \$104.25 came in? We are the school that used to have stamp sales up in the thousands. September 10, was only the first day victory stamps and bonds were sold—we shall continue our sales until the close of the victory loan which will probably be some time in December. When 90% of a school's enrollment is buying stamps and bonds, that school is honored to fly the "Schools At War" Flag. When school was out in June that flag was flying so lets bring it back with 90% participation. How about it?

> Total for week of September 10 \$104.25

#### GIFT OF CLASS OF '44 HANGS IN HALL

In memory of our Adams boys lost in this war we have a Gold Star Plaque which can be found in the foyer over the door leading to the auditorium.

Due to the fact that the representative of the company from whom the plaque was purchased has not been to South Bend recently the listing is not up to date.

With all students who know of an Adams boy that has been killed or definitely reported missing hand the name of the boy to Mr. Rothermel so we can have the information available when he calls at our school.

## FIVE NEW CANDIDATES

As you all know, it would be next to impossible to have a successful and efficient cheering section without some leaders to lead us in our yelling. So far this season tryouts for new cheer leaders were held on Friday, the 7th of September. At this time the following people were chosen to aid our regular staff: Jimmie McNeile, Dick Schall, Nancy Flickinger, Betty Hulbert, and Lois Nestlerede. Lois specializes in tumbling so that will be something new to look forward to. In case you do not know who our regular cheer leaders are it might be well to mention them at this time. They are Betty Jo Parfitt, Bernice Alderfer, and Bob Bayman.

All of these cheer leaders have been practicing every night and will continue to do so until the new ones have really learned all the yells. From this new group the three who have progressed most rapidly and who in the opinion of the regular staff and Miss Rohrer are the best will work as regulars throughout the football season. Then one of these three will be chosen to carry on during the basketball season.

The cheerleaders will start working on new yells soon. If anyone has suggestions about new ideas for pep sessions or yells these will be greatly appreciated. Ideas may be turned in to Miss Rohrer or the cheerleaders.

Just one more thing. We would like to have all of you in the regular cheering section to group together at the football games. The yells really go over much better that way. Ushers will direct you to the center cheering sections.

#### DRAMA CLUB ACTIVITIES

Drama clubbers, 75 strong, crowded into Room 103 to attend the first meeting of the year, presided over by president, Jean Steinmetz. Activities heading the program for the beginning of the Drama Club school year were the annual "Coke" held on September 12. At this time new members are accepted into the club. Those attending had the privilege of hearing an inspiring discourse, on "The Healthy Mind" given by Mr. A. T. Krider. The talk was delivered in the inimitable style which has endeared him to his students.

Marion Grassby was chairman of the invitations committee composed of Beverly Watson and Gene Yundt. Emily Kronewitter and Betty Lou Bryant dispensed with the comestibles

## TOWER THE STAFF

TOWER

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#### WELCOME SOPHS

It's new—it's different—it's sensational—it's Adams. It costs you very little and is guaranteed to last you for life! It sounds pretty wonderful doesn't it? And believe me—it is. It has everything from sports with spirit to studious students. It is also equipped with a faculty that will try to help you win friends and influence people.

Pretty soon—if not already we hope that Adams will not only be "Home Sweet Home" to you but a place to bring your tearful troubles to the sympathetic seniors. Believe me they'll love it. As you spend the next three years at Adams you'll see the person who does the most for Adams and then the one who does Adams for the most. Try to do the former won't you? 'Cause you and other will remember it for the rest of your lives.

#### WORDS OF WISDOM

Gather round chillen and listen to some wise words from a wise old senior. Well, a senior anyway. Seriously, though, we're all pretty proud of the fact that we'll soon be graduates of John Adams. We know that we'll be proud to be Adams graduates no matter where we go, because we're all proud of our school. A school can be built, equipment installed of the newest kind and no matter how beautiful and modern it is, it isn't a real school. It isn't a school in a real sense of the word until it has the teachers and the students in it to give it real life.

Although our school is new, it already has behind it a rich background of tradition. Memories such as "Connecticut Yankee," the 1943-44 sectionals (which we won), all our school activities and the ribbing we give the new clubs—all part of tradition that makes for a school that's a worthy addition to any community.

We've tried, in our three years here to do our little part to make Adams our school; one that we'll remember always and one that the sophomores who come in in years to come will enjoy going to.

In this spirit you will take up the job of making Adams your school,  $\alpha$  job you will have for three years. You will find it one of the most enjoyable times in your life.

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Pat Lord
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George Everts
Shirley Williams

#### WHEN A MAN WAS A MAN

Just think!
Long ago in Victorian time
When a man was a man
And had no line.

They fought duels for dates—Yes, duels they fought;
But look at them now,
They ought to be taught.

Joe takes out a coin, A slug from his mate, And of all things— He flips for his date!

-Patricia Thompson.

### OWER MINOR STAF

TOWER

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#### WEEK END TRAVELS

The most amazing thing has happened. The girls of old J. A. are bewildered. The weather at the football game was warm enough for them to wear cotton, yes cotton, dresses! And there were plenty of them. Of course the very bravest and coolest of the girls wore skirts and sweaters. A few were dressed up, you might say, for the big Rainbow dance that followed. Some of them even worse scarfs on their heads (hiding their pinned up locks). They wanted to look well for their men who were either in the stands shouting their lungs out or out on the field.

And now for a personal touch. It seems Joan Butler was looking forward to a date with that lush Dan Walter. Good old "Lipstick" McNiele was there but I didn't happen to run into his friend "Arf Arf" Leonhard. Boy, did this "Duet" have red faces on V.-J. Day!

Quite a few of our servicemen were home for the big game. To start the list there was, Lou McKinney and A. T. Engendoerfer, both Navy men as we all know. Bill Granning and Raymond Shilt represented the Army. We were also honored with the presence of Jim Bowlin, George Watt and Don Whiteman. I probably have missed some but these are just the ones I saw on my "Week-End Travels."

#### SCHOOL DAZE

Once again the John Adams court of education is in full session, and amidst the ambuiguities and slurs of the idle student body rises the question, among those of Shakespeare, poetry, music, good books, and art, of what various individuals of the Adams intelligencia did during the summer.

Oh yes, some of us really spent our summer school well.

Some were really tired after the last spring semester, so they went to summer school to sleep during study halls which were an hour and twenty minutes long.

Pete McNamee got himself a job at a tourist lodge in Minnesota. He had real birds and bees for his companions.

Margaret Jahnke got herself a job at Camp Eberhart. After many experiences, her theme song is, "I Got Those Boat House Blues," which reverberates well in our fair-halls. Ain't nature wonderful Maggie? Ask her about it if you want to see her turn to a deep incarnadine. (red)

Dewey "Dan Cupid" More was teaching archery at Eberhart. Dewey always was good at hitting the mark, especially with the women. You should see him around this new sophomore, Bobby Anderson (yes, she is Mary's sister.) Wow!

Did you hear about Bill Baker? He has a new job singing for Kreamo bread, where he is known as "Billy the Baker Boy." What talent. He should be in the Glee Club.

But once again it is time to close the covers to our musty volume of patter and silently steal. I beg pardon, steal away.

# TOWER

Greetings all of you studious and ambitious gates! Doesn't it seem good to be back to the "Old Grind" again, after a tedious summer of swimming, tennis, dances, and dates every night with that one and only? Speaking of that one and only, we find a few cases still hanging over from last year; such as, Lizzy and Willie, who can be seen very morning around eight twenty-nine having that last minute good-bye before going to sponsor. Also still going strong are Joyce W. and Frank W., Regina F. and Bob A., and Jimmie McNeile and Patty Guyon. Ahhhhh . . . ain't love grand???

Of course it is, but for some (of us) it can be rather lonesome. Take the case of Bebe and Jake for instance. Ask Bebe how lonesome it is wandering the halls without a man, now that Jake is gone . . . . mighty hard.

Well enough about steadies . . . Some of our latest seen together at Rainbow were Fred Wegner and his cutie, Joan Shively, Bob Smith and ex-Adamite Kathie Keller, and those who breezed in (badly out of breath from the football game) were Clippy and Connie, (Riley) in very bright red sweaters, Don Simon and Glo Sollit and Jerry Gibson and Pat Center.

One of our "waiting for him" girls, namely Marcia West, is in seventh heaven, as Jack Weil is expected home from the Army. Also on the Waiting List is Jan VanHouten who gets a letter from Dick most every day. What could be better??

But we can't forget our better (??) half (?) of Adams. Glenn Personnette has turned his eyes Adams way again and is keeping Barb Sheehe busy once more... Why won't a couple of boys namely Skinny Farabough and Johnny Weissert give us Adams gals a second glance?? Who knows, they might find something.

Cute new couples seen together quite a bit are Bobby Anderson and Dewey More, Emory Thomas and Janet Annis from Lakeville . . .

And have you heard about Pam Hudson's getting a very important phone call from San Francisco a few days ago...? How about it, Pam???

Sheila McMurray has been carrying around with her a picture of a real cute blond (male) and we would like to have you explain please, Shelia....

It must have been hard on Betty Jo Partitt losing to the Cavemen last Saturday, especially since she is wearing a certain Mishawakian's ring....huh, Betty....

Jonny & Joe.

#### IN VAIN

Tillie: "My greatest sin is vanity.

Only this morning I looked into the mirror and thought, 'How handsome I am'."

Millie: "To be mistaken is not a  $\sin$ ."

# AROUND DAMS by Fred Wegner

Vacation has ended and we are now settled down to the dull routine of school life. In those scant moments when no home work is to be found, we can recall the special pleasures of the summer. Some of them now appear unseemingly minute and unimportant. Some of them appear humorous and comical. Yet we will retain the memory of them as long as we live and dwell upon them as the nuclei of our youth—our high school

To Dick Fohrer is was a trip to California. He said it was hay fever that compeled him to go. Jean Clark is also on the traveling list as having visited relatives in Cleveland. Relatives—I guess that's a new name for bell-bottomed trousers. Kathryns Mc-Vicker and Keller spent most of their summer at Camp Ak-O-Mak in Canada. Kathie Keller will soon leave to attend Knox Preparatory School in New York. Other campers include Nancy Giordano who went to the Interlocken National Music Camp. Dewey More was a councillor and Nancy Bartol a camper at Eberhart . . . Jerry Gibson chose Culver . . . while Jim Bowlin is attending a camp in Sampson, New York under United States Navy supervision.

Joan Butler and Joyce Witwer worked in bakeries. Don Galligan, Marylin Lovelace, and Margaret Clements put their time in at Walts drug store. Dorothy Personett, recently voted Miss River Park, worked as soda jerkess at Fleming's. Jim Mc Neile answered to the call "Copy boy" at the South Bend Tribune.

Sports rated high with many boys playing in the city's sandlot baseball league. Chuck Ortt managed one of the younger teams to city championship. Jim Sennett and John Weissert dominated golfing circles in their division. Jim won the City Playground Golf Meet with John right behind him as runner-up.

Betty Murphy, who is now attending Indiana University, has left her band in the capable hands of Tom Hallaron. He is a Riley student and plays the saxophone.

Everyone has his or her secret ambition. Usually it is some sort of material gain to be accomplished later in life. John Leonhard, who had a rather strange desire, witnessed its fulfillment during the summer. John, whose inclination has been to seek revenge on Math teachers, worked for the City Park Board during vacation. A geometry teacher, also, working with the Park Board, was floored by a blow from John's axe: Accidentally or otherwise, John accomplished his ambition and to borrow from Spike Jones-made quite an impression on the teacher's mind. The teacher now thinks of John as other teachers have thought of him-just one big headache.

Today's axiom: Human pride is skillful to invent most serious names to hide its ignorance.—Shelley.

#### TOWER SPONSORS 10B ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday September 4 at 3:00 o'clock a welcome assembly for 10B's was given in the Little Theater by the Tower Staff.

Editor-in-chief Jean Clark, gave a welcome speech, Betty Furnish introduced the faculty and Fred Wegner explained the activities of the various clubs at Adams. At 3:30 the 10B's were taken on a get acquainted tour of the building. Leaders for the sight-seeing groups were members of G.A.A.

#### FACULTY PARTY SEPT. 20

Even the faculty has fun too! Yes, the annual faculty party will take the form of a pot luck supper, the night of September 20. Russell's cabin (not Rothermel's) about 15 miles from town is the place. Food will be on the table about 6:00 P. M. After the bounteous meal the committee, Mr. Krider, Mr. Powell, Miss Puterbaugh and Miss Roell, have planned entertainment in the form of games, folk dancing, and plenty of conversation.

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#### T. B. LEAGUE PICNIC SEPT. 12

Oven Number Eight in Potawatomie Park was the scene of the annual fall picnic and opening meeting of the Junior Board of the Tuberculosis League of St. Joseph County. The object of the Junior Board is to promote good health among high school students and keep them informed on the doings in the field of tuberculosis research.

Margaret Jahnke of Adams, president of the Board, was in charge of the meeting. Feature spot of the meeting was held by Mrs. Katherine Stoops, assistant Society Editor of the South Bend Tribune, who spoke on "The Value of Publicity".

The group has many interesting activities planned for the coming season including: a tour of Healthwin Hospital, selling bangle pins at two of the Notre Dame football games this October, and a roller-skating party.

This noble organization isn't receiving enough publicity at the hands of its fellow students. Let's get behind them one hundred per cent.



THURS., SEPT. 20— Faculty Party Band 7:30 - 8:25 A. M.

FRI., SEPT. 21—

Goshen vs. Adams—at Goshen Glee Club 7:45 - 8:25

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## MAROONS NIP EAGLES IN OPENER

#### ADAMS IMPROVED OVER LAST YEAR'S SOUAD

As the 1945 version of the John Adams football team fought a losing battle Saturday, September 8, against a larger Mishawaka aggression, a definite improvement was noted over the 1944 eleven.

Heavier backs and linemen combined with experienced helped the Adams cause and though the Eagles were out scored, never were they out fought. Our plucky forward wall and line backers never relented and Mishawaka had to fight for every inch that they gained.

Alterness, drive and ruggedness stood out as Adams assets. Captain Bill Bachman led the linemen from his left tackle position and fighting spirit prevailed from end to end. Don Simons, a sophomore, took over the center spot in the absence of Glen Zubler, who was on the sick list, and played a bang up game, recovering two Maroon fumbles when the going was really rough. Glen Tully, right tackle, picked up another Mishawaka miscue to set up the only Adams score which came in the second quarter. Bob Nitz, held his left end spot well, and also caught the scoring pass and got off some beautiful punts when Gene Bradley was not in the game, Frank Wulf was in on practically every play and broke up a good share of Maroon plays from his right end position. Guards Conolly and Kelly round out the starting line and incidentally these two small but mighty men both played bang-up games all the way through.

Eight backfield men saw action, the starting four were Roys at quarterback, Heckaman and Stevens at the halfback posts and Gene Bradley, fullback. Space prevents all praise due to these "Fighting Four" but it was evident that their running, blocking and passing is unsurpassed by any other combination that Coach Goldsberry might present. Also seeing action were Don Howell, Dan Walters, Gene Balok and "Chuck" Murphy whose smart quarterbacking called the winning play.

Ed Hickey and Bob Barnard provided most of the opposition for the Eagles, Hickey making two touchdowns and Barnard one, After Adams received the kick off and was forced to kick after downs, the Cavemen had a score in just seven plays, and the second Maroon tally came after an Eagle fumble on the Mishawaka 48 and a drive which ate up the territory in a very short time. With the score 12-0 Adams started a 71 yard touchdown drive which was climaxed by a 26 yard pass from Heckaman to Nitz. Heckaman then pitched one to Wulf for the extra point. With the Eagle morale boosted, Mishawaka scored only once in the second half which came after an intercepted pass and a 58 yard dash by Ed Hickey.

With an improved eleven and a tough nine game schedule the Adams fans can look forward to some game fights from their small but mighty Eagles.

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#### ADAMS STAR COPS STATE RECORD



Alumnus John Goldsberry put Adams in sport headlines all over the state of Indiana last May 19 when at the State Track and Field Meet he surpassed all previous records and heaved the shot put 53' 934".

Also at the state meet the mile relay team of Murphy, Wulf, Alumni Rigby and Jaqua won third place medals while setting a new Adams record of 3.333:3 which is really running!

Note: Jack Jaqua is now a private in the Air Corps and John Goldsberry a varsity football member of Indiana's eleven.

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# TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

It's a little tough to get back in the groove of school after a summer of leisure (?) but they tell me it is necessary, so after shaking the dust and cob webs out of both books and brains, here I am again!

I was really proud of our team against Mishawaka, I thought they did swell. It looks good to see a smaller team put up such a game fight against superior odds.

In my opinion, after seeing Central play, the Bears look tougher than Mishawaka and by now we will know how our lads look against those uptown boys.

That was a neat pep assembly we had and a good idea on the part of Coach Goldsberry to explain about plays, etc.

Your sport staff this year boasts five members who are all willing to give you some good dope on all sport happenings. Bob Deiter, one of the writers who was assigned to keep records on that Mishawaka game, turned up in a varsity uniform and legally should get a quarter from me—ask my buddies Wegner and Leonhard if he will get it.

"Die—I thought I'd laugh"—when none other than Mr. Krider turned up as field announcer and said "our 42 yard line" and also came out with something new when the ball was on the "51" yard line.

Saw Louie McKinney in his sailor uniform, Jim Bowlin likewise and Dick Stevens in his navy blues at the Mishawaka game. I didn't get to talk to any of them but from the look on "Leo's" face he was fairly pleased.

Jim McNeile,

Tower Sports Editor

## SCHOOL FIELD SCENE OF IMPORTANT BATTLES

School Field, this season, will harbor many important battles. Such tussels as Central-Riley on November 3, Washington-Central on the 22nd of this month, Washington and Riley on October 13 will all be important conference battles.

Washington, who has been a senior high school for eight years, has won 68 games, lost eight and tied four. They were state champions in 1937-38-43-44. In 1941-42 the Panthers missed that honor by one game when losing in the conference playoffs to Lew Wallace and East Chicago Washington. It is a record unsurpassed in state high school football annals.

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