

# NITZ WINS SENIOR ELECTION RACE

## Self-Government At John Adams

### Students Voice Their Opinions

It is my opinion that we at John Adams do not have much student government. The student council, composed of a representative from each room gives splendid opportunity for the students to develop a means by which they could have their ideas put into effect. The council, however, lacks in organization and needs more co-operation from the student body. When the governing group does present a plan, that they have formed, to the students, only a very small percentage of the students take any interest at all in it.

How can we expect our government to accomplish anything at all with no assistance what-so-ever from the majority? The council's purpose is to do what we want and should be done.

On the other hand, the representatives often do not show up at the meetings and if and when they do, they do not put forth any effort at all to assist in the project of the council or add any of their ideas or opinions to the discussion. Many times the class does not have the slightest idea what is being done. If the representative would make a report to the room after each meeting giving to them a summary of the meeting they had attended, they could in way keep the students well-informed as to the plans of the council. They could also learn the students' ideas on the subject and could take them back with them to the next meeting, thereby accomplishing what the group wants.

The general plan for our government does not need much improvement, but needs to be enforced and carried out to the best of our ability. Elect someone to represent your class who is capable and who will take an interest in his position. When he asks for your assistance, co-operate. This is our school and we want to be proud of it. Work for its improvement and not for its destruction.

Joan Hartley.

LOST: Gold watch with black band and silver charm bracelet. Lost in gym, shower room or general vicinity. Return to Charlene Parmley, Room 108. Reward.



Left to right: Bob Nitz, Al Smith, Bob Thoner and Bob Bayman

## DRAMA CLUB TO JOURNEY TO CHICAGO

### Dramatists To See "The Two Mrs. Carrolls"

Now that "Under the Gaslight" is past history, the Drama Club has turned its thoughts to the annual jaunt to Chicago to see one of the current plays. On the red letter day of November 17, thirty-two students, accompanied by Mrs. McClure and Mr. Reber will trip to Chicago, via the South Shore to see the Matinee performance of "The Two Mrs. Carrolls" by Martin Vale. Miss Elizabeth Bergner, internationally famous actress will play the leading role.

The drama enthusiasts will travel to Chicago on the seven thirty train, will eat lunch at Marshall Fields and spend much of their free time just sightseeing. They will return on the eight o'clock train. The play is well known and enthusiastically acclaimed by all Chicago, so the club ought to find their time well spent.

## Adams to Demonstrate Tumbling

Selected groups of John Adams boy's gym classes will demonstrate various types of gymnastics to an audience of physical education instructors. The exhibition will take place in the Adams gymnasium on the night of November 13 from 7:30 to 8:30. Procedures will be similar to those of the demonstration at Riley High School during the North Central teacher's meeting. Instructors from all the schools of South Bend will be present. The purpose of this meeting is to give the teachers an idea of how to improve their gym classes in the line of tumbling.

## Eagles Host To Colonials In Opener

### Basketball Team Ready For Anything

Chilly autumn breezes with the colorful old gent "Jack Frost," turkey with dressing, burning leaves, and long cool evenings all mean fall. To the sport lovers this means basketball.

Most students, being one of those animals, await with great anticipation, the unveiling of John Adams' 1945-46 hardwood aggression. This event is but a scant two days away, and for anyone not knowing, it is with Washington-Clay's Colonials at the Eagle's basketball emporium.

At this writing, with but a few hours practice logged, it is impossible to state any starting five or even who will be wearing the varsity suits long stored for this day.

Coach Ralph Powell is assured of many veterans and strong replacements for gaps left by last season's team. Stalwart players are working hard for the first rift and these boys had a mere eleven days to prepare for the opener.

The Eagles opponent is strong. Being a rural high school they have practiced for a longer period and already have two games tucked under their belt. This experience means a lot on the basketball court.

All these statements add up to one thing—a battle. Student backing is very necessary for not only the team but for the school. Here is your chance Adams, it is your team in action, let's back it!

## SMITH, THONER, AND BAYMAN HOLD OTHER POSTS

On Friday, November 2, nominations were held for senior class officers. The following Monday the results were made known and the final election was held. By this time, of course, everyone knows the outcome. Our senior class president is Bob Nitz who will lead the senior activities for the year. Al Smith was chosen for the job of vice-president. The secretary is Bob Thoner and Bob Bayman is again treasurer.

Another election which took place recently was that of senior cabinet members. Those chosen will attend an early meeting with the new senior class officers, senior sponsors, and Mr. Sargent and at that time plans will be formulated for the activities of the year. Be sure to express any wishes you have through your senior representatives.

And now for a word about each of the new leaders. Bob Nitz, of course, we associate with his fine work in athletics—football, basketball and track. A golf and basketball expert is Al Smith as well as being very popular with all the students. Bob Thoner also plays football. The distinction of being the only person re-elected to office belongs to Bob Bayman, Treasurer. Bob has been one of our outstanding cheer leaders for the past three years.

Congratulations to the senior class officers of 1945-46. We wish you success in the coming year.

## East-West To Hear Hubert Liang

Thursday, November 15, Dr. Hubert Liang will speak at the Central High School Auditorium from 3:30 to 5:15 P.M.

A Chungking journalist, Dr. Liang was formerly China's correspondent for the Detroit News. Dr. Liang will discuss, "America's Opportunity in the Pacific."

This will be the third of five of the East-West Lecture-Discussions to be given this year.

Oh, East is East and West is West, And never the twain shall meet, Till Earth and Sky stand presently At God's great Judgement Seat.

But there is neither East nor West, Border, nor Breed, nor Birth, When two strong Men stand face to face, Though they come from the Ends of the Earth!

Rudyard Kipling.



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## REVISED V-5 ANNOUNCEMENT

For the United States to maintain a strong peacetime Navy it must select and train outstanding young men to be navy pilots of the future. The aviation cadets of 1939 and 1940 were the heroes of Guadalcanal, Midway, and many other battles so gloriously won the Pacific. The Aviation Cadets of today will be the guardians of America's shores in the future.

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5. Morally, physically and psychologically qualified according to standard navy requirement.

Any man interested in learning if he is qualified to be a navy pilot should communicate with the naval cadet selective board, room 301, Board of Trade Building, 141 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago 4, Illinois. He will be sent a copy of the preliminary application blank which should be completed and returned to this office. If he is found eligible for further consideration, he will be invited to this office at government expense to take the necessary physical and mental examinations.

## ACROSS THE COUNSELOR'S DESK

What kind of a record are you leaving in the files in the office of your high school? What kind of a record are you taking with you as an indelible part of you when you leave? Have you been content to get by with a D grade and a credit? Have you built such deeply engraved habits of getting-by that you are going to live a life time being a D grade person?

Although there is a common belief that youth is the play time of life, this is not wholly true nor is it as innocent in import as it would seem at first. During youth, habits are formed, attitudes are developed, and are established as an integral part of the individual. If one becomes content to do the least amount of work possible and still not fail, imagine the kind of a doctor or mechanic or business man he would be if those habits persisted through adulthood.

Many young people give up easily the instant a course becomes difficult. They either stop trying completely, or request permission to drop the course. Follow this give-up attitude into adult life. The job is difficult so they quit. There follows a succession of jobs, and as a result they miss the opportunity for advancement, bonus, pension, and economic security. Or note the effort in the personal living of the individual. When trials, disappointments, tragedies occur as they do in everyone's life time, visualize for yourself the ineffectual manner in which the person who has never learned to see a difficult task through to the end meets these problems.

High school is an excellent proving ground. If right attitudes and habits of thinking are formed, adult life can be much richer for every one.

The interests to which a man voluntarily turns his attention during his leisure hours provide the real test of his character.

## TROUBLESOME TROUBLES

Dear Emily:

My friend Dorothy B. and I have been dating Bill T. and Dick H. as of late. Now I find that Dick has been dating my friend, Pat Lord. What am I to do?

Marilyn.

Dear Marilyn:

Quite a case you have there. Don't you think, though, that you could share him a little? Look at all the girls Casonova Hammond could make happy by dating them all.

Emily Dix.

Dear Miss Dix:

We have a problem that is too deep for us. Don't you think that P. Thompson could be satisfied with just one man on a hay ride? Instead she has to be with us both. What shall we do?

John and Roger.

Dear Boys:

Your problem is confusing. However there is one way out. Join the Foreign Legion and forget her.

Miss Dix.

Dear Emily Dix:

I have been going with Joan H. for sometime. Now I find she's going on a hay ride with my brother, Johnny. What am I to do?

Perplexed Bill.

Dear Mr. Kirkwood:

Have you no nerve? Have you no muscles? Go in and fight for her. Or better still—doesn't Joan have a sister? Turnabout is fair play.

Emily Dix.

Dear E. D.:

My heart is broken. My girl Bobbie has been reported to have a heart throb at Central. This Jim may be good-looking but think of the start I have on him.

Dewey.

Dear Mr. More:

Miss Anderson has probably only a school girl crush on Mr. McCaffery. If so, they will soon break up. Have you noticed a few of the new soph girls? (Hubba! hubba!)

E. D.

Dear Emily Dix:

I am stationed at N.D. and recently took a leave home. When I came back I found that Marjorie, my girl, is going steady with Bill. What shall I do?

Puzzled.

Dear Matt:

Too bad but haven't you heard the old adage, "There's more than one pebble on the beach?"

Emily Dix.

Doctor: You are coughing more easily this morning.

Patient: Yes, I practiced a lot during the night.

Pome

An address book in a little volume  
With lots of people's names in it  
But to me the thing is useless unless  
There's names and addresses of  
dames in it.

## TOWER TALK

Howdy Kids:

Latch on to some strictly off-the-record news for all you Adamites.

First off—Joanie Butler is having quite a time deciding between John Weissert and a certain party—a petty officer in Uncle Sam's Navy.

Jean Steinmetz's favorite song is "Tabby the Cat" now that she is the proud owner of a six-ounce black kitten. Too bad, though—she had to give it away. Thank you, "Eager Beaver."

Centralite Fred has claimed Joan Siney's heart.

Cutest-couple-of-the-week nomination: Lois Hamman and Norm Kruger.

Frances Wilson has a crush on a certain boy named Roy.

Seen at Smilers—Glenn Personette and Charlotte Senger, Joan Shanafelt with Fred Crowe and Pat Traub dating "Cookie", Zike with Nancy Engdahl.

Add steadies—Tom Glaser and Dolores Janowski.

What's this we hear about Bob Nitz, Bob Thoner, and Bill Green last Tuesday night? H-m-m-mmm.

Next time you see Millie Peterson ask her about Freddie.

Seen strolling through the halls: Neva Grenert and Bill Stolcenberg, Bobbie Anderson and Dick Hammond.

## WHAT IF:

Audrey Brunette was a blond?  
Nancy King was a queen?  
Bill Baker was a butcher?  
Beverly Brooks was a stream?  
Mary Van Rose was a tulip?  
Billy Cook was a gardner?  
Ted Miller was a farmer?  
Pat Taylor was a weaver?  
Rosalie Fleet was a convoy?  
Kieth Hall was a tunnel?  
Joan Butler was a cook?  
Eileen Shoemaker was a dressmaker?  
Tom Lane was a road?  
Paula Tanner was a leather cutter?  
Ruth was Nel's son?  
Marilyn was John's son?

DoriS Moxley

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DorOthy Ann Smith

Ronald Bytener

Frank Dempsey

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Jerry Gibson

SUE Davis

Nancy FlickiNger

Rodney Milion

ROger Wade

BarbaRa Stanz

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CurtiS Heckaman

MargarEt Jahnke

FraNk Wulf

Dick GuIn

ElnOr Moore

JerRy Bessler



# AROUND ADAMS

by Fred Wegner

Setting up a ratio between the number of years Adams has been in existence and the number of years of its existence which have been war years, we discover that Adams pupils have seen relatively few high school days during peacetime.

Yet working under these conditions, the N.I.T. has conscientiously carried our pupils to and from school, had buses waiting at noon to hurry us home to our lunch, and have sup- events of city-wide interest were plied us with extra busses when held in our auditorium. Now the traction company is operating on a peacetime basis and therefore we have a right to expect better service. True, but this favor must be reciprocal. Accompanying our expectancies we must be willing to advance the common courtesies expected of one in a group of people.

For this reason let's restrain ourselves from crowding on the busses, letting women and girls get on first, suppress any desires to mar or deface the interior of the bus with our names, telephone numbers, etc., and though we may conceive it odd that a bus driver should think we are carrying an arm load of books merely to ride on the bus for a nickel, have your bus cards in sight when boarding the bus.

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KATIE DELONG—"Swimming. The dog-peddle is very tiresome."

JEAN STEIMETZ—"More languages. I'm a studious type of kid."

DONNA CHAMBERS—"Deep sea diving. I get tired of wearing these ten-cent pearls around."

LYNN MINZEY—"Latin V and VI. I like Miss Kaczmarek."

JEANETTE JACKSON—"A course in teaching teachers how to relax. Funny thing, but I seem to make them so nervous!"

SHIRLEY WILLIAMS—"Bible study. I felt angelic when I was asked this question."

PAT LIDECKER—"More courses in music. Who knows? We might be able to develop a few Frankie's and Bing's."

MARG KIFOWIT—"Spherical trigonometry." (??? May I ask someone for the use of their dictionary?)

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Student: It all depends on how grammar is feeling—after all she's an old lady.

Curt: You like girls, I gather?

Mert: No, I like girls I gather.

She could swing a six-pound dumb-bell,

She could fence and she could box,

She could row upon the river,

She could climb upon the rocks,

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Drama Club 3:35

THURSDAY, November 15

Glee Club:

Tenors, 7:30

Triple Trio, 8:00

Band, 7:45

East-West Lecture, 3:30

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# IMPS BURNED IN FINAL MATCH

## ADAMS GRIDDERS CLOSE SEASON WITH 19-0 WIN

An alert, aggressive, and tough John Adams ball club fired Michigan City's hapless Imps to a 19-0 defeat on Ames Field in the Lake Siders home town November 3. This victory drew to a close the 1945 edition of the Eagles pigskin pushers who, by winning this finale, boast of three games in our favor, one tie, and five games lost.

Never were the Eagles outplayed in the conflict, in fact Michigan City had little to offer in the way of offensive power. At times the Imps looked well on defense but on the whole they were a weak team. This can be partly blamed on a polio epidemic that kept the City team from practicing three weeks earlier in the season.

The seniors, playing their last game for the Red and Blue, deserve much credit for a hard fought game. Big Bill Bachman at left tackle, Leroy Kelley right guard, Frank Wulf end, Glenn Zubler center and Curtis Heckaman halfback were the starters who leave this year. They all played a bang up game and along with Jim Connolly, Chuck Murphy and Glen Tully who didn't start but were in the game, these seniors had a worth while gift in winning their last game for Adams.

Scores came in every quarter but the first. In this period was Michigan City's only threat but it was short lived when they were held for downs on our nine yard line. Using the quick kick as an offensive thrust, the Eagles worked to the Red Devils' 23 yard line. Chuck Murphy, playing quarterback, passed to Frank Wulf for the first tally. The rejoicing was short lived though, when the play was called back because of a penalty. Murphy pulled the quarterback pass out of his bag of tricks and on the next play, on a toss from Heckaman, scored. This time it was good and so was little Curt's plunge for the one point.

The second half brought a score from fullback Gene Bradley who scooped up a blocked punt and scampered across the chalk line for the second touchdown. The fast charging wall rushed the Imp's punter so much that four kicks were blocked. The last marker came on an aerial from Heckaman to Wulf who played his best game of the season against the Red Devils. Curt's quick kick from the Adams' forty yard stripe to the City's four set up this score.

In some aspects the game was unusual, but the Adams supporters present thoroughly appreciated the victory which gave Michigan City the low spot in conference play.

## TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

With the John Adams 1945 grid card completed, the Eagles can well boast of a fine ending in what started out to be a bad season. Winning three out of the last four contests, the football squad showed any "Doubting Toms" that brains can win out over brawn and that the John Adams Eagles aren't too hapless after all.

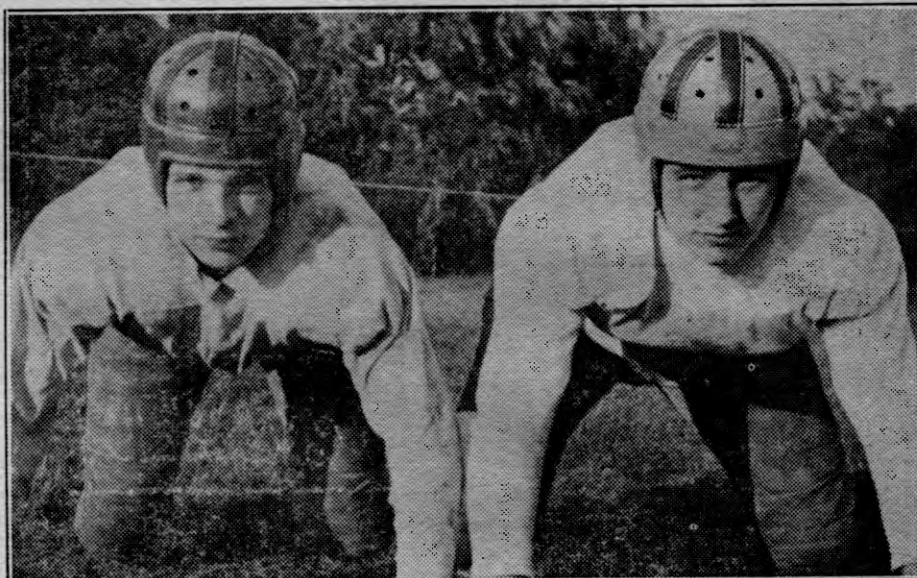
The graduating seniors played a game to be proud of against Michigan City. It must be a funny feeling to know that when you leave the field never again will you wear an Adams uniform. These boys were Curt Heckaman, Chuck Murphy, Frank Wulf, Bill Bachman, Leroy Kelly, Jim Connolly, Glenn Zubler and Glen Tully. Swell going boys, you've had a fine season and each one of you has done a swell job.

Bob Nitz, Adams candidate for Twin City end, was still side-lined with an infected arm in our Michigan City rift. Bob is also a senior and felt very bad when he couldn't play the last game. Louie "Leo" McKinney had the same ill luck last year when he occupied the fullback post.

Bearing more than light mention, is the winning of the Conference by Central's Bears. The hustling Bruins whipped an aggressive Riley eleven by the toe of Dick Flowers, Northern Indiana's choice for all state halfback. The Riley student body displayed fine qualities of character when they lost but cheered their lads as if they were victors. On the downtown streets the familiar strains of "Stand Up and Cheer" for "This Is Riley High School Day" echoed a fine spirit from the South Siders. My good friend and fellow worker at the South Bend Tribune, who, incidentally heads the Riley Hi-Times staff, also instilled upon this writer the fine school spirit out at Riley. This person, as you probably know, is Betty Lou Pinney. She displayed what probably is typical of all Wildcat rooters in sticking by the team through much ribbing from such "characters" as Elmer Danch and Bob Overaker both of the Tribune. Central deserves all honors of winning, Riley as a stand-out in high standards of spirit.

Jim McNeile,  
Tower Sports Editor

## STILL FOOTBALL! THIS TIME TWO GUARDS



Jim Connolly and Bill Gooley

Jim Connolly on the left and big Bill Gooley beside him have been battling all year for the starting nod at left guard.

In the opening games Jimmy got the draw due to experience, while the last few games have seen Bill start because of his size. The latter being a sophomore needed the experience for future seasons. This also was a deciding factor in his selection.

No matter who started, both played equally as much, which was a very smart maneuver since two such toughies could wear down an opponent very fast!

You have all seen Jim around the halls and at a nearby business establishment where he might have a slight interest. Last year because of a broken arm he was unable to play but this season his size and attitude gained him a well-earned spot on the varsity. As he is a senior, we will bid Jim adios and nice going on your football career.

"Skinny" Bill Gooley came up very fast, being a sophomore, but any advancement was well earned. Bill works hard and has a burning desire to learn and do well. Holding up the line is a job for beef and as is plainly shown, Bill's 210 lbs. does help. Lots of luck in future seasons boy, we'll be counting on you a lot!

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