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CHRISTMAS VESPERS—DEC. 16

Noted Author To Speak At Central

East-West Lecture Is Final In Series

Today at 3:30 P. M. in Central High School, the series of East-West lectures will come to a close with a final talk by the celebrated author and anthropologist, Eslanda Goode Robeson. Mrs. Robeson is the wife of Paul Robeson, the famous Negro actor and concert singer. She has led an unusual and interesting life. Her lecture should prove to be highly educational and informative. All teachers and students are invited to attend. I should think that most of the teachers are interested in these lectures and are looking forward to the appearance of Mrs. Robeson. On the other hand, the students' interest in such matters must be stimulated, so I will attempt to do so by means of a short biography of her extraordinary life.

Mrs. Robeson was born in Washington, D. C. on December 15, 1896. She is part Spanish, English, American Indian, and a large percentage of Negro blood. Her family was very prosperous and intellectual. She spent her earlier years studying at various colleges and universities. Two of the more important of these are the University of Chicago and Columbia University. During her last years at Columbia, she met Paul Robeson, then studying at the Columbia Law School. On August 17, 1923 they were married. Soon after their marriage Mr. Robeson began to tour Europe, giving concerts. Mrs. Robeson went with him and handled the business end of the tour. During their trip they visited many foreign countries. Among the cities in which they lived are Paris, Vienna, Moscow, Barcelona, and London. They spent most of their time in London where Mrs. Robeson took up anthropology and studied at the London School of Economics while her husband was appearing in several stage shows. In 1936 she took an anthropological field trip through Africa. A journal that she wrote about her research in Africa was published last August. She now lives in Enfield, -Connecticut where she is very active in the Red Cross Motor Corps. Mrs Robeson has recently been giving lectures on racial discrimination and political possibilities of the Negro Race.

That is a very brief sketch of Mrs. Robeson's life up to the present time. She has done so many things and has been so many places that a detailed account of her life would take the greatest part of this paper.



Vocal & Band Clinic

Adams 1945 Host

On Friday, November 30, the John Adams Band and Glee Club played hosts to one of the largest musical events of the year — the Vocal and Band Clinic. It was just what the name implies; a clinic in which music teachers from all parts of the state, had a chance to see a Band and Glee Club under two famous conductors.

The Vocal Clinic began at 9:00 in the John F. Nuner Junior High School. The augmented school chorus was rehearsed until noon by Cecil Munk, director of music at Baldwin Wallace College.

At 1:30 the Band Clinic continued here at John Adams under Ralph Rush, Director of Music at Cleveland Heights High School. Mr. Rush has a notion-wide reputation for producing contest-winning bands.

The Clinic Band was composed of the John Adams Band, augmented by musicians from Riley, Washington, Central, Hobart, Elkhart, Michigan City and Columbia City. While this event has taken place yearly in other parts of the state, this is the first time South Bend has been selected. We at John Adams were proud to be the host school.

Swing and Sway At the Prom Three Days 'Till Big Event

That exciting event is only three days away now. That's the Senior Prom I'm talking about. Of course, all you mighty Seniors will be there — won't you?

Now we know that all of you smooth guys and gals here at Adams know all the rules of proper behavior at occasions such as this, but if it happens that you don't, cast an eye this way. For one thing, let's not chew gum. Too many people cracking their chicle ferociously might drown out the orchestra. Boys, when you call for your girl please don't sit out in the car and honk the horn for five or ten minutes. We know she's late, but go to the door to call for her. When you arrive at the dance the correct thing to do is to greet the chaperons and guests. You will see many familiar faces from our own faculty there. Here's something important - Sad to say, there can be no fresh flowers. That has always been a rule here, so let's accept it gracefully.

We are expecting to see all you seniors at the Senior Prom, Saturday night from 9:00 to 12:00 P. M. at the Indiana Club. Have a good time!!

ADAMS MUSICIANS TO CARRY ON OLD TRADITION

This is the Christmas season! For many, the season is in full swing, many others have said that it just won't seem like Christmas until the Glee Club program. The patrons of the Christmas Vesper Service pay the Glee Club a compliment when they say this,

Despite the influenza epidemic we believe this will be the best program so far. It will have varied numbers and quite a few solos. Of course, each of the alumni feel that their program was the best, but we will leave the decision up to you. Even though the alumni feels that way, quite a number attend the programs and those that are there are invited to sing Silent Night with the Glee Club.

One of the highlights of the program is the processional. Each year the plan of the processional is changed to something a little more difficult, and this year it will really be a thrilling sight. In case some of you do not know what the processional is, it is the Glee Club members in a dim auditorium, singing while carrying candles to their places on the main floor, from several points in the mezzanine.

Friday, December 14, there is an assembly for the school. The Glee Club considers it a pleasure to sing for the assembly. The service is a rather serious one and the students seem to realize this. We of the Glee Club appreciate your rapt attention. Of course not all the numbers on the Sunday program will be sung at the assembly on Friday. So save that date — Sunday, December 16, at 4:00 — for the Glee Club Christmas Vesper Service.

Girl Reserves, Hi-Y Give Record Dance

Held To Celebrate Central Victory

Win or lose, John Adams will be the best team this Friday night in the hearts of all her students after the clash with Central.

In order to Celebrate this victory, the Hi-Y and Girl Reserves of Adams are sponsoring a dance after the game.

Plans and preparations are in the making so all may look forward to a grand old time.

Bring your friends from Central too, they will also enjoy this gala record dance.

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THAT CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Anybody walking through the halls these days hears a lot of talk about Christmas. Everybody seems to be deep in speculation over what Aunt Mary or Uncle Henry is planning to give him. There is also a lot of talk about the big money students are going to make and the dances and parties they are going to attend during the holidays.

Lost somewhere in this confusion of gaiety and fun is the real spirit of Christmas, the spirit of giving, not of receiving. This is the spirit that the Man whose birthday the holiday commemorates would want us to have. One of His greatest teachings was that of unselfishness and charity to others.

Charity toward others is found not only in the act of giving your friends and relatives nice presents on Christmas morning but is found in the help you give around the house and the way you treat your kid brother or sister. This is also the time to clear one's heart of old grudges, jealousies, or ill feelings toward one's neighbor. Giving to the family and friends is personally satisfying. But those who remember the poor and unfortunate show the real Christmas spirit. "Whatsoever ye do to the least of mine, you do it unto Me."

- Joel Bullard.

T.B. OR NOT T.B.

It can happen to you! Tuberculosis is no respector of age or individuals. Nor does tubucle bacille stop to consider a person's financial status. That is why Christmas seals are sold throughout America.

It is presumed that sometime in everyone's life he is attacked by this germ, even though in many it does not become active. When tuberculosis does become active in a person's body he is usually hospitalized, since the disease can be contracted and the main treatment is much rest. But they also must have many laboratory tests, V-rays, good food and numerous other things that cost much money. If the entire responsibility of paying for these treatments was left up to each individual, the financial load would be almost too much for many to bear. But it is not. Each and everyone of you can help ward off this dangerous and serious disease and help those who have it to rid themselves of it, It's up to you. If I may borrow a phrase from a friend of mine, "T. B. or not T. B. — that is the quesiton!"

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"Jane Eyre"		
"Lassie,		
Come Home"	Margaret	Feldman
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"Little Women"Carolyn Estep
"Mein Kampf"Curt Heckaman
"The Three
Musketeers"Glenn Personnette

Jim Cauley
Tom Rutherford

"Lone Cowboy"Kenny Knode
(But he'll have some of those
ranchers daughters in the saddle soon — very soon!)

"Leader by Destiny"Bob Nitz
"Boy on

Horseback"Herschel Keefer
"When Johnny Comes Marching
Home Again"Beverly Turpin

(Jack Dempsy)

WHAT TO DO TILL YOUR SOUP COOLS

You have all no doubt faced the problem of what to do while waiting for your soup to cool. This is a knotty problem which has been the cause of many trips to Logansport. Because there is such a crying need for a solution to this problem I have decided to give a few solutions.

- If you are eating with a group of close friends you can see who can flip the most soup at the others. Pretty soon there will be no soup and you have no problem.
- If you are at a restaurant see how many times you can trip the waiters or waitresses. You will soon be thrown out and again you have no problem.
- 3. Throwing the knives at each other is a pleasant pastime but you might get blood on a clean table cover and then you would get in trouble with your mother.
- 4. Finally, if you are alone the only thing I can suggest is to go crazy like me. Bubba-bubba-bubba! Oh well, that's as close as I can come to writing it.)

It's As Simple As That



This boy is keenly interested in the doctor's explanation of the tuberculin test. He understands that his reaction to the injection will reveal whether there are any tuberculosis germs in his body and he is ready for the test. If the reaction is positive, he will have a chest X-ray. Christmas Seal funds support health education programs, including tuberculin testing, in schools.

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Is everybody happy? I know that Marion Grassby is because she is going to the Prom with one lush man, namely, Bob Hartsell.

What would we Adams' girls do without dear old Notre Dame? Marj. Kitowit, Mildred Vance, and Beverly Kinch seem to have found new interests in life out there. Naturally, they wlil all be at the Prom. I wonder who Carl Goffeney is taking.

The latest foursome seen in the halls is Dick Larson and Lila Smith, Virginia Frueh and Dick Robinson.

A couple couples at Rainbow were Bob Lucas and Elaine Lubbers, Dick Fohrer and Joan Butler.

To all whom it may concern, namely the boys, *Toni Null* is no longer going steady with *Bud Geleide*. What's the matter, Bud?

Jim Cauley seems to make a habit of trespassing. It is Doris Krathwol this time.

Lucky Connie Jo Buse — Bob Duncan is home for thirty days.

The few Adams men who are left are really playing the field. Aren't they Bob Bayman?

When will Ed White and Allen Pearson break down and give some of the J. A. beauties a chance?

Carl Cook is hanging on for dear life this time even though it is a long way out to the country.

Mary Anderson donned a gardenia before coming to school last week. You say Ed's home?

I overheard Clippy Waechter giving Pat Traub the "Hands Off" signal about some Hi-Spot deal. It wasn't friendly either.

Joan Mann and Joyce Schliger seem to do alright for themselves when it comes to the male situation. Give with the secret potion girls!

Pat Day seems to like the idea of going steady with a certain Washington lad.. Can't say that I blame her.

At last I have found what, or should I say who, occupies Jerry Gray's evenings. And what an occupant, namely Joan Brines (St. Mary's).

Glenn Tully is doing some strong hand holding with a Sophomore.

I'll be hanging up now until the kitchen sinks.

Question of the Week: Where are all of the Adams' fellas going to be the night of the Prom . . . Latest reports are that the girls are buying out the tickets.

METHOD IN MY MADNESS

I must declare, I could only stare
At you, my pet, at you.
With radiant hair and skin so fair,
At once I adored you, my love, I
adored you.

Your coquetry is dementary.
Surpassing all your beauty, my
sweet, your beauty.
With compliments I've been sloppy,
so you'll have to let me copy
Your geometry, my brain, your
geometry.

- Lois Hershnow.

AROUND

by Fred Wegner

Six cash prizes, totaling \$200 are offered in an essay contest open to all public, private and parochial high schools in Indiana on the subject, "What the Schools Have Done For Me in the Development of My Ideas of Good Character."

The contest is sponsored by the post-war planning committee of the Indiana Federation of Clubs. High school principals are to supervise the contest in their schools, selecting the best essay by a girl and the best by a boy to forward by March 30, 1946, to the Indiana department of education with a report of the number of students participating.

The six winners will receive their awards at the 57th annual convention of the Indiana Federation of Clubs, French Lick, Indiana, in May, 1946. The essays, which may range from 300 to 500 words, will be judged not only to established rules of good English but more particularly for thought content and the manner of theme development.

CLUB COMMENTS: The Girl Reserve and Hi-Y clubs have joined forces to sponsor a record dance after the Adams-Central game, Friday, December 14 . . . The Glee Club will present their annual Christmas program December 14 in the auditorium for the Adams students and again on Sunday, December 16 for the general public.

SCOOP OF THE WEEK:

A third party ma ybe seen With the elder Fohrers; Waiting for son Richard At the Adams front doors.

With a curvacious figure, And a golden voice; An old friend of the family. Is little Joyce.

TODAY'S AXIOM: A pat on the back develops character, if administered young enough, often enough, and low enough.



She's a Junior. Her name is Ernestine Christy, but everyone calls her "Ernie." She is 5 feet, 2 inches tall and has light brown hair, green eyes and a very nice smile. Her age is a deep secret.

Ernie likes sports, dancing and nice clothes as everyone can see. She also likes a guy named John.

Her pet peeve is people who leave gum where it can be stepped on.

She doesn't know what she wants to do after she graduates but whatever it is we know she will be a

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13
Glee Club —
Tenors, 7:30
Band, 7:45

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14 Christmas Assembly, 8:30 Central vs. Adams, here

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15
Senior Prom, Indiana Club —
9:00

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16
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EAGLES, BRUINS CLASH FRIDAY

JOHN ADAMS ENTERTAINS CENTRAL'S BEARS FRIDAY

Facing its third conference foe, the John Adams Eagles will entertain South Bend Central's Bears on Friday, December 14.

Looking for a victory this coming Friday against LaPorte the Adams netters will enter the contest with one victory and one defeat in NIHSC play. Of course if the Eagles fall Friday it will be two league setbacks in as many starts, which would pretty well fade any hopes of conference honors. The outcome of the LaPorte game is known at this reading however, and you can judge our standing before Friday's battle.

At this writing, Central has a record of one victory in three starts, none of the games being of conference variety. The Bruins, between now and the 14th, have games with Riley, Fort Wayne North Side, and Rochester, all of which will be rough sledding.

The foe's main cogs are Bob Adams, a smooth working guard, and Gene Ring, another guard. They are consistent point-getters and good defensive men.

Looking forward to a real battle, the team needs support . . . How about that?

Riley Winner In Non-League Tilt

"Big Dick" Fohrer turned in a beautiful score card Tuesday, December 4, against Riley. The rugged center for Adams tallied nearly half his team's total as the Eagles fell to the Wildcat's netters in a growing civic feud.

Lack of space prevents game details, and since the battle was very evenly matched and the score changed hands back and forth, a play by play description is not necessary.

An early second half spurt provided Riley with the winning margin. Adams threatened with a rally in the last quarter but fizzled when two points behind the winners.

BOX SCORE **ADAMS**

Personnette

wedner		4	4
Fohrer	6	3	3
ADAMS - TWO			
Nitz	2	1	. 1
Wulf	2	1	3
Howard	0	1	2
Total	11	10	12
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Cubbison		3	5
J. Kizer	2	0	1
Hartman	3	4	2
Merriman	4	- 0	4
Medich	0	1	1
Ferency	3	0	3
T. Kizer	0	0	1
Total	14	8	17



Leroy Kelly, the boy that has been bringing glory to Adams lately in ootball, has once again hit the glory stripe when he won fourth place in the Tribune annual valuable

player award. Leroy received one first place vote along with other counters. His name will soon appear with John Ray and John Goldsberry on the lineman trophy in the show case by our auditorium. This most valuable lineman award was voted to Kelly by his team mates.

Trying to keep from mentioning officiating is rather difficult especially after the Goshen episode. Four baskets were not counted, instead the referee gave our player one free throw. Those tallies were a big enough margin to win by and it does set you to wondering!

Hats off to Washington! The unpredictable Panthers really upset the dopesters when they topped the runner-ups in the state basketball clan! In that double-overtime thriller, the west-enders kept Riley's sharpshooters pretty well bottled up except for Bob Hartman who collected thirteen points. Joe Holobyn led the winners.

Sure is funny when we lose to Gary Lew Wallace by five points and Mishawaka is beaten by the same team with twenty-six points then Mishawaka whips us 38-30. Then people wonder why it is hard to predict winners and scores!

Some predictions on the tussle with Central Friday: Fred Neiter -

Adams, 32 — Central, 34 Pete McNamee -

Adams, 29 — Central, 36 Dick Schall -

Adams, 38 — Central, 35 My Pop -

Adams, 39 — Central, 36

- Jimmie McNeile, **Tower Sports Editor**

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RETIRING COACH



Mr. Alonzo Goldsberry

One of the most colorful staff members at John Adams, and an illustrious football mentor, Mr. Alonzo Goldsberry announced his desire to drop the head coaching duties and devote his time entirely to teaching next year.

Mr. Goldsberry's years as football coach at Adams have been filled with pleasant memories and at times with discouraging odds against him. His desire to retire is well merited since his coaching days number many.

Being an athlete himself, Mr. Goldsberry likes and understands boys and would like to see all future citizens receive the training that gridders get. He played football in both high school and college and also starred in baseball. For a short time Mr. Goldsberry pitched for the Washington Senators.

All praise due to this fine gentleman cannot be written, not even if space permitted, but the entire student body and faculty wish to express their gratitude to one of their distinguished members and wish him well in future undertakings.

Beavers Cut Down Invading Eagles

Led by the stalwarts, Chapman and Kauffman, the "Eager Beavers" from Goshen "took us down to the pea patch" to the tune of a 38-32 defeat. An early rally by Nitz and Personnette gave us a 10-6 lead at the end of the first quarter. Outscoring us 5-3 in the second period, the Goshenites held a 15-12 advantage at the intermission.

Coach Powell was without the much needed services of Don Howell, because of sickness. Murphy and Wegner were the two newcomers to the starting five as Personette. Nitz and Fohrer held down their former positions. Wulf, Howard and Fye also rendered valuable services, collecting 13 points between them. Bob Nitz collected four baskets and two charity tosses to top the Adams scoring, amassing ten points. Chapman was outstanding for the victors.

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