

## U. S. History Award Nominees Named

### Ten Adams Students Meet Qualifications

The senior's last week at Adams is always busy and very exciting, and one of the most eagerly awaited days is Senior Day. This is the day on which the Senior Assembly is held and at which the many awards are given for activities participated in during the senior's years at Adams. One of the most outstanding and coveted of their awards is the D. A. R. U. S. History award given by the Schuyler Colfax chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. This award is unique in that it is not given entirely for achievements made in the past or for regular attendance as some awards are.

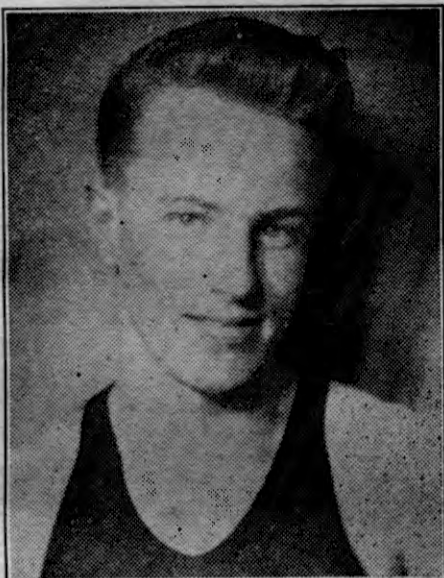
There are really three qualifications to meet, each harder than the first, in order to gain the award; and, as only one person can receive it, the students are graded very closely. First of all, the student must have made good grades in U. S. History I and II. Formerly straight A's were required but this year the competition has been opened to other students who are interested. The next step is to take a written examination on U. S. History. Some of the students will be eliminated after this step and the remaining students will be subjected to an oral examination. The winner of this examination will receive the award. You can see that this person must be an excellent history student to survive all the tests and really deserves the award.

This year at Adams there are ten people who qualify to take the written examination. They have had above average grades in U. S. History and have received notice that they may take the examination. The ten include: LeRoy Brown, Garrett Flickinger, Marion Grassby, Richard Guin, Margaret Jahnke, Emily Kronewitter, Joan LaCrosse, Lynette Minzey, Bill Baker, and Howard Walker.

The reason why most parties are dull is that each person is too busy guarding his own private collection of emotional and intellectual junk. People are all pretending to each other. If people would only open their mouths and talk honestly, they would find themselves much cleverer than they supposed.

Don't worry about what people are thinking about you, for they are not thinking about you but wondering what you are thinking about them.

## WINS KIWANIS AWARD



Spunky little Charles Murphy was selected as the most valuable team member on the 1945-46 Adams basketball varsity. This award is annually presented by the Kiwanis Club in every sport that the school competes in. The honor was presented to Chuck at the award assembly last Thursday.

The sandy haired lad also earned his initial monogram in basketball at the assembly, since last year he was a substitute. Track brought his sweater during the spring of '44, followed by a chevron for the gridiron the following season.

Chuck fares very well in track, his favorite sport. He holds a school record in both the 440 and 100 yard dashes, and is part of the mile relay team that has the best time of 3:33.3.

Photographer Don Brown was rather shocked when his subject appeared donned in a new track uniform, but without shoes. A suggestion to get the prize winning feet in the picture was readily dismissed by the modest Irish lad, who is merely content with a seven paragraph write up!

If the army doesn't interfere, Chuck plans to enter Hanover College and study for (of all things) teaching. His ambition is to be a coach.

## Dr. Carmony Speaks On Indiana Extension

Tuesday, April the sixteenth Dr. D. F. Carmony, director of the Mishawaka-South Bend, Indiana Extension center, explained the services of the Indiana Extension. This lecture was designed for all young people and seniors who are working, and desire training beyond high school. The excellent opportunities made available by the Indiana Extension are even more valuable at the present time because of crowded college conditions. This school has made it possible for students attending to earn two equivalent years at Indiana University and one year at Purdue.

## School Annual Nears Publication Date

### Album Circulation Drive Begins

The 1946 Adams Album will be the biggest, finest, and most complete year book yet. The cover alone should make you yearn for your own copy. It is to be red with distinctive gold lettering.

The photographic coverage of the year is most extensive with snaps and poses galore. The various activities — sports, clubs, concerts, plays—are all there to remind you of the fun you had.

Of course the seniors come in for plenty of publicity, individual pictures and personal histories. The other classes are given due space also so do not assume that the Album is exclusively senior property. What could be finer than a full set of Adams Albums showing you as a sophomore, a junior, and at last a mighty senior? So come on, you sophomores, get started on your set. Even if you juniors did not get on the band wagon last year you certainly should get started now.

In this edition, the art department has developed some really remarkable drawings. Mr. Faust uses a new process which far surpasses anything we have seen before. Mr. McNamara and his photographic helpers have outdone themselves in presenting the year's happenings dramatically and authentically. The long suffering faculty is all represented candidly.

The sections of the book are separated by cleverly devised sheets and there is plenty of space allowed for the inevitable autographs of your favorite friends, and enemies, if you have any.

The Editor, Marion Grassby, states very emphatically that, with more contributions from the advertisers, there is more money available to make this book the biggest and most complete Album since the beginning of the year book. She also states that since the end of the war, many things needed for a good annual have become available to make this a really high class publication.

Dick Guin and his corps of solicitors for advertising deserve a big vote of the thanks for the thorough manner in which they covered every possible prospect, down town, up town, and all around the school. Mr. Nelson has charge of the distribution of the volumes and his will be no mean task.

The entire Album staff is working hard and the editor is burning the midnight oil to get the book out early so you will have time to get your autographs and wise cracks written before the final days of the school year. But, to put this Album over in a big way, we must have

## Glee Club To Present Spring Concert

The semi-formal clad Glee Club is giving their bi-annual spring concert soon. From all over the city inquiries have been pouring in as to when it was going to be. The people have heard the news! At this concert the Glee Club will be doing, Strauss, Tkach, the famous Russian composer, and some numbers arranged by Fred Waring. To give you a gentle hint, the crowd last year was somewhere in the 1500's so you had better get your tickets early. It promises to be a gorgeous thing both musically and visually.

Also in the near future the famous St. Olaf's Choir from the St. Olaf's School of Music will make an appearance here. You will hear more of this in the next issue of the Tower.

## Student Council Lists Scholarship Awards

The Student Council Scholarship Committee in co-operation with the faculty has formulated the following plan for the awarding of scholarship pins.

A=97.5%	C=79.5%
B=89.5%	D=72%

The student having the highest scholastic average for his or her graduating class will be awarded the jeweled pin. In case of tie between any students of the August, January, or June classes graduating, duplicate awards will be given, but the student in the June class having the highest average will act as representative for all three graduating classes at the June commencements.

Those students who have averages of 95.5% or better will be awarded gold pins. On a ratio basis the student must have three A's for every B.

Those students who have averages of 93.5% to 95.5% inclusive will be awarded silver pins. On a ratio basis the student must have one A for every B.

The preceding awards will be based on the student's first five semesters at John Adams High School and include summer school from 10B through 12B or until graduation if it occurs first.

To find out what a man is, find out what he does when he has nothing to do.—Anon.

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LETTER FROM A SELF-MADE MERCHANT TO HIS SON

The school of hard knocks was John Graham's alma mater, but he sent his son to Harvard. Through his own efforts he had risen to head the house of Graham and Company, pork packers in Chicago. On the Exchange he was familiarly known as "Old Gorgon Graham." He wanted his son, Pierrepont, facetiously known to his intimates as "Piggy," to have an education, but he still believed in the virtue of sound common sense.

This is the story of the series of imaginary letters written—in the character of "Old Gorgon Graham"—by George Horace Lorimer, published in The Saturday Evening Post, and later in book form. They were followed by a book, Old Gordon Graham.

Their author was not yet thirty years old when in 1897 he was made literary editor and managing editor of The Saturday Evening Post. His association with the magazine continued for more than forty years; he became editor-in-chief and, later, president of the huge Curtis Publishing Company.

Lorimer was born in Kentucky, the son of George C. Lorimer, a pastor, and educated at Colby College and Yale University. He acquired the background for his *Letters from a Self-Made Merchant to His Son* during his years in Chicago in the nineties. In business, and as reporter and correspondent, he no doubt encountered several of the "Old Gorgon Grahams" in which that packing city abounds.

Dear Pierrepont: Your Ma got back safe this morning and she wants me to be sure to tell you not to over-study, and I want to tell you to be sure not to understudy. What we're really sending you to Harvard for is to get a little of the education that's so good and plenty there. When it's passed around, you don't want to be bashful, but reach right out and take a big helping every time, for I want you to get your share. You'll find that education's about the only thing lying around loose in this world, and that it's about the only thing a fellow can have as much of as he's willing to haul away. Everything else is screwed down tight and the screw-driver lost.

I didn't have your advantages when I was a boy, and you can't have mine. Some men learn the value of money by not having any and starting out to pry a few dollars loose from the odd millions that are lying around; and some learn it by having fifty thousand or so left to them and starting out to spend it as if it were fifty thousand a year. Some men learn the value of truth by having to do business with liars; and some by going to Sunday School. Some men learn the cussedness of whiskey by having a drunken father; and some by having a good mother. Some men get an education from other men and newspapers and public libraries; and some get it from professors and parchments—it doesn't make any special difference how you get a half-nelson on the right thing, just so you get it and freeze to it. The package doesn't count after the eye's been attracted by it, and in the end it finds its way to the ash heap. It's the quality of the goods inside which tells, when they once get into the kitchen and up to the cook.

You can cure a ham in dry salt and you can cure it in sweet pickle, and when you're through you've got pretty good eating either way, provided you started in with a sound ham. If you didn't, it doesn't make any special difference how you cured it—the hamtryer's going to strike the sour spot around the bone. And it doesn't make any difference how much sugar and fancy pickle you soak into a fellow, he's no good unless he's sound and sweet at the core.

(Continued in next issue)

"Can't Get Out of This Mood": Basketball Team Picks "All-Opponent Five"

Tabulation of eleven varsity members' votes and the two coaches' selections resulted in the following first and second string all-opponent team. There was a possible 26 votes.

First Team	Votes
Bob Adams (Central)	19
Jim Swartz (Elkhart)	16
Roger Thews (Culver)	25
Bob Hartman (Riley)	25
Gene Ring (Central)	19
Second Team	
Tom Brooks (Lew Wallace)	12
Jack Merriman (Riley)	11
Hermie Hall (Nappanee)	9
Tom Kern (Elkhart)	12
Roger Dahl (LaPorte)	7
Honorable Mention	
Munger (Fort Wayne North)	6
Chapman (Goshen)	4
Cowan (Fort Wayne North)	3
Hoffman (Elkhart)	5
Overmyer (Culver)	5

SPEAKING OF NAMES

What is a good candy bar?  
 "Powell" house  
 What favorite game is played at Adams?  
 "Volney" ball  
 What goes swell with cereal?  
 Black "Goldsberry's"  
 What is a name of a street?  
 Bill "Threth-way"  
 What is a person who is all wet?  
 Ray "Waterman"  
 What kind of bar is our editor?  
 "Clark"  
 What do first graders read?  
 "Primmer"  
 When is a blouse not a blouse?  
 When it is a "Dickey"  
 Why hasn't Dorothy been baked instead of  
 "Brown"ed.  
 "Neff" said.

All-Time Hit Parade

"You'll Never Walk Alone".....John Bennet, Mary Kaiser  
 "Atlanta, Ga.".....Sue Davis, Mr. Primmer  
 "Personality".....Joyce Witwer, Frank Wulf  
 "Onezy, Twozy, I Love Youzy".....Jan Van Houten, Dick Meyers  
 "I Fall in Love too Easily".....Dick Guin  
 "Dancing in the Dark".....Helen Patty, Joe Caparo (N.D.)  
 "I Dream of You".....Bob Nitz, Bobbie Rumbom  
 "The Boy Next Door".....Millie Peterson, John Clifford  
 "Story Book Romance".....Betty Lou Bryant, Bill Baker  
 "Homesick, That's All".....Doug Robertson  
 "Aren't You Glad You're You" Joyce Huffman, Dick Fohrer  
 "The Man I Love".....Pat Lord, Curt Heckaman  
 "The Charm of You".....Pete McMamee, Myra Roberts

TEEN-AGE JOE: Whassa idea of wearing my raincoat?  
 HIS BROTHER BILL: You wouldn't want me to get your new suit wet wouldya?

AROUND ADAMS

by Fred Wegner

ON JOURNALISM

"The newspaper is an institution developed by modern civilization to present the views of the day, to foster commerce and industry, to inform and lead public opinion, and to furnish that check upon government which no constitution has ever been able to provide."

—The Chicago Tribune.

The above definition of a newspaper as stated by a great newspaper, four score and seven miles from here, should be highly acceptable even to those who are incongruous to its political beliefs. The many new and expanding high school newspapers is no more than a reverberation of the rapid growth of newspapers in this country.

The first newspaper in the United States was published on April 24, 1704 by John Campbell, but public interest was with our founding fathers and their efforts in colonizing and developing America. The acquittal of Peter Zenger, charged with printing an article in which he objected to certain policies of the governor, which established Freedom of the Press was perhaps the greatest milestone until Benjamin Towne of Philadelphia first published a daily newspaper in 1783.

Immense psychological appeal attributed to their rapid growth so that at the close of 1941 there were 1,857 daily newspapers with a combined circulation of over 42 million copies. Added to this the fact that although our population is only about five per cent of the total world population, we produce forty per cent of all the newspapers, makes this country the greatest newspaper reading country in the world.

It is the duty of the journalists to record the daily news of the world. This work is fascinating and very often glamorous, but is not to be judged by the Hollywood version of it. The mere suggestion of the word REPORTER sets my heart bounding and my imagination soaring.

I am confronted with the picture of a taller-than-average fellow with a long, ambling stride hurrying back to his office with a few scribbled notes on a memo pad to be converted into an article of enlightenment for those who will take the time to read its interesting and well-composed paragraphs. His hat is tipped to the back of his head, exposing his forehead, to the sun, which being at its zenith brings out the sweat to stream down his face table profession. Outwardly his countenance seems to show his uneasiness in not yet having arrived at his destination, but his deeper thoughts, having already determined a suitable head for his story, are now concentrating on the first paragraph.

For a moment more the hopes of my youth seem almost realistic but as my surroundings summon me back into reality, I must remain content for the present as Feature Editor — John Adams Tower.

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## Mishawaka Winner In Baseball Game; Dark Halts "Middie" Tilt

A 2-0 loss in the hands of Mishawaka started the diamond schedule Monday, March 8 on our field.

Two hits and two runs in the second inning for the Maroons, was the only scoring in the game. The winners worked Kimmel on the mound, while Walt Pickavet and Dick Jensen toiled for the Eagles. Doubles by Howard and Heckaman and a single by Glen Zubler was about all the Adams nine could offer.

The following night, a stubborn Middlebury nine held off continual scoring threats until darkness halted the game in the 10th inning at a 2-2 tie.

Adams used the same pitchers plus Bob Weese and the Middies hurled Jerry Hostetter all the way. Heckaman pushed over the first run in the third by a walk, a hit, a sacrifice, and finally a stolen base. Middlebury's 2-1 lead in the seventh vanished when Wegner got on with a walk and came in on two hits by Jensen and Heckaman.

The cold weather hampered full playing abilities, but the necessity for improvement is noted. Coach Rollo Neff is hopeful of more practice, and the teaching of some sound fundamentals to the boys in the next few games.

"Gosh, you're dumb. Why don't you get an encyclopedia?"  
"The pedals hurt my feet."

A school director visiting a school found one boy in a room by himself, evidently in trouble.

"What's the matter, my boy?" he inquired.

"Palpitation and insomnia," was the reply.

"But you can't be suffering from those things!"

"It isn't suffering, sir. It's spelling."



## WHAT DO GIRLS DO THAT YOU DISLIKE?

CECIL COLBERT — Dance like fiends.

DOUGLAS BEEBE — Argue all the time.

KEITH HALL — Smoke.

MARVIN MARSHALL — Go to a dance and talk to everyone else but the boy they are with.

BOB SEMPER — Look untidy.

BILL STARK — Wear a lot of bracelets on their arms.

BOB WALSH — Comb their hair in class.

JIM McNEILE — Certain one that's always kicking me in the shins (Pati).

## WEATHER REPORT

Pat Lord and Curt Heckaman — Favorable.

Danny Walters — Sizzling.

Joyce Witwer and Frank Wulf — No Change.

Donna Personette — Fair, Rainy forecast.

Joyce Huffman and Dick Fohrer — High.

Bill Green and "Mary" — 180.

Joan Megan and Fred Knopp — Should get warmer.

Alberta Addison and Rolly Faye — There's been a change in the weather.

## River Park Theatre

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## SONG OF APRIL

Now that April Showers are here you can do a little Reminiscing about happenings of the School Days Day by Day.

Remember that I'll Walk Alone feeling when you first Strolled Down Cherry Blossom Lane (Adams' halls) until you met Your Ideal namely The Man You Love, who made your Heart Stand Still.

Then you walked in to the class of all classes singing Time on My Hands. Oh, but you were a Beautiful Dreamer. Of course, you can't forget that 1st gym class with that Fascinating Rhythm of Onezy, Twozy, touch the floorzy, threezy, fourzy, a little morezy.

Then you hurried when you heard that long awaited Lost Chord (which you thought sometimes had really been lost) and boarded The Atchinson, Topeka, and The Santa Fe (bus) because you knew the old saying Time Waits for No One It Passes You By.

Even though you thought that It Might As Well Be Spring when you got off your Bicycle Built for Two you still had that same Temptation to perform a little Old Black Magic (need we say more?) Then you pased back through the Swinging Doors singing the familiar Prisoner's Song and await the End of a Perfect Day. Did we say perfect??

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## Wednesday, April 17

Glee Club, 7:30 A. M.

Easter Assembly, 8:35.

Baseball Game, at Washington.

Drama Club, 3:30 P. M.

## Thursday April 18

Glee Club, 7:30 A. M.

Social Living Trip, 6:50 A. M.

Band, 7:45 A. M.

Track Meet, here.

## Friday, April 19

Good Friday Recess.

## Monday, April 22

Glee Club, 7:00 P. M.

Health Classes: Dr. Frith.

Track Meet at Michigan City.

## Tuesday, April 23

Glee Club: 7:30 A. M. - 7:00 P. M.

Baseball Game, here.

Band, 7:45 A. M.

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## LONG, LONG AGO

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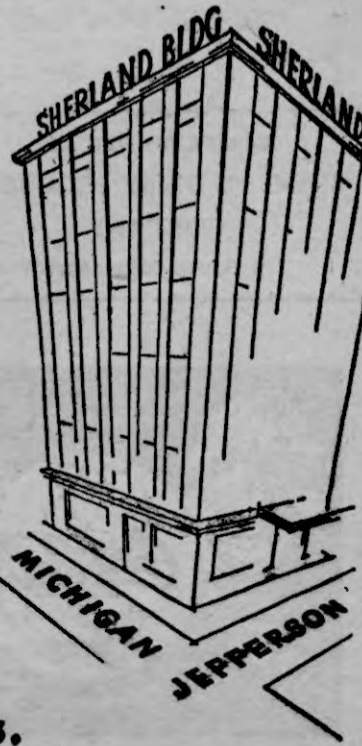
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# ONE POINT WHIPS GOSHENITES

## ADAMS TRACKMEN WIN SIX FIRSTS AND TWO RELAYS FOR VICTORY

ADAMS, 55; GOSHEN, 54

100 yard dash—Floriot (G) Murphy* (A) Gibson (A)	Time :10.5
220 yard dash—Floriot (G) Stotts (G) Nitz (A)	Time :24
440 yard dash—Murphy (A) Wulf (A) Fields (G)	Time :55
880 yard run—Baker (A) Rockenbaugh (G) Rarrick (G)	Time 2:14
Mile run—Rarrick (G) Koch (G) Irvin (A)	Time 4:57
High Hurdles—Shafer (A) Chapman (G) Hurtzler (G)	Time 16:7
Low Hurdles—Chapman (G) Walters (A) Hurtzler (G)	Time :25
Shot Put—Stevens (A) Erbe (G) Jackson (A)	Distance 37' 2 3/4"
Broad Jump—Gibson (A) Kenney (G) Walters (A)	Distance 20' 1"
High Jump—Shafer (A) Hurtzler (G) Lewallen (G)	Height 5' 8"
Pole Vault—Vander-Ryder and Lewallen (G) tied for first. Beebe (A) third	Height 9'
880 yard relay—Gibson, Egendorfer, Guin, Nitz (A)	Time 1:40
Mile relay—Murphy, Shafer, Jurcik, Wulf (A)	Time 3:47

\*Time :10.6 broke school record.

Winning their first meet by the slim margin of one point, the 1946 Eagle track squad demonstrated possibilities in some events while in others the showing was ragged for even the season opener.

No one member can be centered as the standout in the meet at Goshen, although lanky John Shafer was Adams' only double winner and speedy little Chuck Murphy won a first, and broke a school record in his second place mark running the 100 yard dash.

Shafer leaped 5'8" to easily cop high jump honors, and nosed out Goshen's Art Chapman to win the high hurdles in 16:7.

Murphy surprised everyone by a sizzling 10:6 time in the 100 yard dash which netted him second place but more important, the all-time record for that event here at Adams. His :55 in the 440 was good for first place but not impressive as a mark.

Neither time in the relays was of the boasting variety, but much improvement is expected in both. The mile team was altered somewhat from that of the Purdue meet. Sophomore Ben Jurcik filled in for Baker, who was busy on the 880 run.

Jerry Gibson cleared the sand pit 20'1" to win the broad jump event. Jerry also got a third in the 100 yard dash.

Burly Jules Stevens logged the best shot put mark of 37' 2 3/4", which edged out Erbe of Goshen by 1/4". Manual Jackson placed third with 36' 6 3/4".

Billy Baker won his 880 yard run with ease in 2:14. This time should improve if he is pressed at any time. In the mile, Dave Irwin came in third.

Dan Walters, who had no practice before the meet because of football, captured a second place in the low hurdles and should improve considerably with some practice hours. He also got third in the broad jump.

Adams was very weak in the pole vault, Al Beebe being the only entrant to pass the qualifying jump. His 8' 6" was good for third while the winner only did nine feet. Bob Nitz scampered to a third place in the 220 dash but much improvement is also needed there.

Coach A. T. Krider commented that the meet was one of the closest he had ever seen because of the narrow margins in winning. He hopes that some of the flaws can be worked out before conference and sectional time.

Results:

### EASTER SATURDAY

April 20

MICKEY PRINDL

and His Orchestra



### EASTER SUNDAY

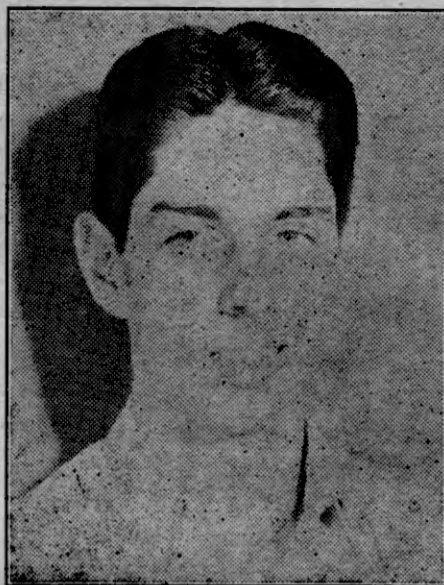
April 21



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### BREAKS RECORD



Lanky John Shafer is another one of those record breakers roosting at the Eagle's nest.

Big John is a two letterman, his first award coming in track two years ago. His accomplishments in this field include the high hurdles, running on relay teams, and his favorite, the high jump. In the recent conference indoor meet, his record breaking performance spurs the desire to hit the six foot mark before current season is over.

Tennis brought the second chevron to the 6' 3" lad, who likes basketball better than any other sport. Ham is his favorite dish, and he offers no suggestions as to what his pastimes are.

When sectional track time comes around, the big boy should be able to travel down state and take on "Jumping John" Wilson, the high jump champion.

## TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

"Big Gun" Stevens! Get a load of that muscular Titan of the grid-iron, who baffled the critics by winning the shot put in the Goshen track meet. Jules



surprised himself too, in heaving the iron globe 37' 2 3/4" for first place. Everyone was so used to seeing the fifty foot mark passed by John Goldsberry last year that the conquest came as a shock, and I'm sure Jules won't mind my saying so, a rather amusing thing. That first place though, gained the necessary points to win that meet. Good luck in the future, Jules.

The near freezing temperatures did not keep a few strong hearted spectators away from the first two baseball games, but did undoubtedly discourage a larger attendance. Shivering while he spoke, Pat Catanzerite wanted everyone to know that he approved of the proceedings and asked to have his comment put here. Advertising is expensive Pat, and a publicity agent even more so! Which do you prefer?

Watching spring basketball practice is amusing to say the least, because the boys can be seen merrily jumping rope in the gym. It is a good thing Tim Howard isn't in there, his feet would surely be tangled up. This practice should help a lot in building next year's team.

Congratulations to Chuck Murphy for his recent award by the Kiwanis Club. Little Chuck was the proudest boy around when he remembered all the times he had given everything he had to win a ball game and eventually to have this honor. Timmy Howard also got his share of glory by being selected captain of the team.

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