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NELSON IN FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

by Nancy King

It was at 1188 South 23rd street in our own fortunate town that Mr. Nelson was born. He spent his elementary and junior high-school years at Nuner. He often made his parents proud of him by bringing home fine grades. He kept up the good work at Central and graduated with honorable mention.

Out of high school, he found a job at a good ole' printing shop. While working, he took a Post Graduate course. He worked for two years and then trotted off to college.

In college everything was really mellow. His talent for responsibility made him sports editor of the school paper and put him in a fraternity for extra-curricular activities. He also received two monograms in football while at college and a B.S. degree.

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SEVEN-DAY WONDER

by Jimmie McNeile

The Wonder Column this week is dedicated to the master mechanic, Carl Rohrbach, whose ingenious mind formed a combination of six different noises, toots, and other kinds of horns for his 1937 Studebaker that actually runs under the strain of his driving talents.

Under the direction of Mr. Cecil R. Deardorff the Adams band, which Dave Gallup of the Tribune calls "groovey," made a bicycle built for two at the Goshen game and played the accompanying music while a portion of the musicians dashed madly around the hub (or hubba) girls, majorettes Lois Haslinger and Pati Guyon. It was a very successful stint and the visiting fans enjoyed the show immensely.

Horse Plays Big Role In "Straw Hat" Plot

by Pat Hardy

I know that by now every student in John Adams is conscious of the fact that "The Straw Hat" is coming to John Adams on October 22, but very few of you know what the plot of the play is.

The chief character is Fodinard, who is about to embark on that fatal step of matrimony. Before this can take place however, many difficulties beset him. One day while riding his horse in the park, the horse, the dreadful thing, eats a young lady's hat. This is a calamity for the lady has taken off her hat while walking with a soldier and she never could go home and face her uncle without her hat. In those days a lady coming home without her hat and with no excuse for not having it is an unforgivable sin. So it is up to Fodinard to locate another hat for the lady. There his troubles begin. While searching for a new hat Fodinard runs into many characters including a deaf man and one of his old girl friends whom he jilted six months ago. This includes many humorous adventures and the search takes our hero many places. Whether a new hat is found and if our hero finally arrives at his wedding is something you will find out October 22, so be looking for "The Straw Hat" when it comes your way.

There is no getting around the fact that a week from tomorrow poor work notices will circulate throughout the east end of fair South Bend, and while junior is frantically thinking of a way to beat the postman home and in some way make pop sign blindly, why not carry a book home once? Might help you know, and if the task is too great, your posture

ADAMS SCHOOL PAPER GAINS HONOR THROUGH QUILL & SCROLL SERVICE

Last spring The Tower sent, together with six issues of the school paper, a pamphlet entitled "Quill and Scroll Critical Service." Inside the pamphlet were the answers to numerous questions asked by the Society and considerable space which was to be used by the judges in their analysis of the good, bad, and poor points of the issues forwarded to them.

Servicemen Return After War Experiences To Get High School Education

As most of you know many students of John Adams left school to enter the service of our country during the war. Now that the war is over many of the returned veterans are going back to school to finish their education.

John Adams has the honor of having ten boys, who, after serving in the armed forces, have returned here to finish high school. These boys are: Brian Sheehee, who served with the Army in Europe for 1½ years; John Seifer, who was in the Navy in the Pacific for 1½ years! Christ Valhokis, who was in the Marines in the Pacific for 30 months; Richard McGlothlin, who served in the Navy Air Corps for 20 months in the Atlantic; Jerome Schoppe, who served in the Navy for 33 months in the Pacific; George Krovitch, who was with the Navy in the North and South Pacific for 27 months; Frank Elliott, who served 2 years in the Navy on the U. S. Colhan in the Pacific; Bernard Kruyer, who was in the Pacific in the Marines for 28 months; John Finneran, who was on a destroyer in the Navy in the Pacific for 30 months; and Marvin Seaman, who served in the Navy for about three years.

The Tower joins in welcoming all of you back.

might even benefit if the books are carried on the head—that isn't the reason sophomore John Bowman's is flat either!

Several days ago Miss Roell received a letter containing the pamphlet—this time with the spaces filled with the commendations, suggestions, and criticisms of the various judges. Considerable delight and a glow of achievement dispelled any shadows which reminded the staff of the hard work it had been and the ostensibly fruitless hours to which little credit had been given. Here at last was recognition enough for any high school journalist. The John Adams Tower had received an International First Place Award as a paper of substantial achievements. It had not received the highest possible award—that of the International Honor Rating—but it was right up there next to it in its first year in the Society.

It was brought out in this Critical Service pamphlet that one of the most contributing factors to the paper's high rating were its abilities as a medium that influences and informs students. More emphasis shall be given this year to building up these qualities which are the basic principles of a newspaper.

Low scores were obtained as a medium that entertains students and as an educational laboratory which deals with the benefits derived by the individual in his work on the paper. Plans have been made to improve these faults, too.

The staff hopes that at the end of the year it may look back at the gains which have been made, not for the sole purpose of obtaining a better rating next year, but for the more important purposes of serving the school at its best.

WEGNER AND HOWELL WIN IN SENIOR ELECTION

A wave of speculation ran through every senior as the call for a meeting concerning the election of class officers was made known on Monday the sixteenth.

Told to attend the meeting were the student council executive committee, student council home room representatives, and another person chosen from each home room.

This gathering was to be in room 102 on the seventeenth. At the opening of the affair the class sponsor, Miss Kaczmarek, commented on the importance of selecting class leaders and said the purpose of the meeting was to go through the list of names of eligible seniors and discuss each candidate thoroughly before putting his name on the final slate to be presented to the senior body on the following Tuesday.

It was a successful idea, for several possibilities for each office were talked over and the final two people for the nomination were the best to be had in the opinion of the students present.

Miss Kaczmarek suggested that this body would comprise the senior cabinet, the idea to be brought before each home room in the near future. Attending the meeting were: Paula Tanner, Jeanette Graf, Delores Brunt, Joe Catanzarite, Archie Los, Joan Mann, Pati Guyon, Bob Annis, Rodney Million, Jerry Gibson, and Jimmie McNeile.

As voting returns came in from each of the home rooms, it was evident of a very close race for the presidency between Rodney Million and Fred Wegner, the latter winning by a small margin of votes. Up for vice-president were Don Howell and Bill Thoner; for treasurer, Jeanette Graf and Joan Dressel; for the secretary post, Lois Lenon and Therese Lazzara. Howell, Graf, and Lazzara won their respective campaigns and that quartette is now leading the senior class in its full year of activities.

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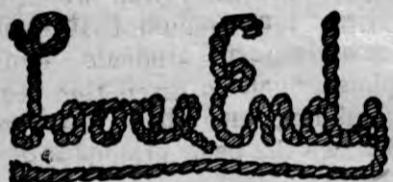
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LOW DOWN ON SMOOTH CLUB

The Glee Club, as a whole, functions like any other club. It has a group of officers, who assist Mrs. Pate in making the club run smoothly. The officers, elected in the spring, serve during the following year.

Head of the group, with the title of president, is Jerry Gibson who calls the meetings to order. Vice president, Betty Lou Bryant welcomes any visitors to the club. About the hardest office is that of the secretary, who checks attendance. This job is handled very capably by Shirley Williams. Treasurers, Sue LaFollette and Bill Gooley make themselves very unpopular when it is time to collect money for robes or a party. Charles Ortt, the Business Manager, takes care of all the arrangements for a program and is very ably assisted by Tom Barth and Bob Waechter. Librarians, Doris Chambers, Agnes McCreary, and Betty McKinney take care of the music and have to account for any that is missing. The club's robes are handled by Dick Trim, Tom Lane, and Alberta Addison. If a problem arises, Mrs. Pate consults the Advisory committee as to what to do. This committee includes: Kathryn McVicker, Lois Lenon, Myra Roberts, Beverly Watson, Theresa Lazzara, Phyllis Nelson, Jerry Weinberg, Bill Grounds, Dave Gibson, Gene Bradley, Ned Mastak, and Bud Witt. A special committee of eight has been set up this semester to help Mrs. Pate select the music for future programs. Two people from each section, who possess superior ability, are chosen for this committee. Those on this committee are: Barbara Stanz and Kathryn McVicker, Sopranos, Pam Hudson and Katherine DeLong, Altos, Jerry Gibson and Charles Ortt, Tenors, Bill Gooley and Bill Grounds, Basses.



On Wednesday, September 18, the Junior Board of the Tuberculosis League held its first meeting of the year in the League office. Plans were completed for the Board Picnic which will be held at Diamond Lake on September 29. Mention was also made of the Bangle Pin sale on October 12 at the Notre Dame and Purdue game. The two representatives from Adams are Charles Ortt and Phyllis Nelson.

The Drama Club Coke will be this afternoon at 3:30. It will be held in the Little Theater. The purpose of the Coke is to welcome new members, not to get free eats. However, the coke and doughnuts are refreshing after a hard day's work. Since brain work is so tiring an excellent program is planned.

Invitations have been issued to both old and new members and the invitations are to be presented at the door. If there are still some students who wish to become members of Drama Club and did not receive an invitation, they are welcome to come to any meeting after the Coke.

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DAYS OF SUMMERTIME
NOW RECOUNTED

by Betty Hulbert

Once again summer is taking on the past tense and the words "remember when" are becoming part of our conversation.

Some spent the summer bringing up other people's kids like Nan Bartol, Dewey More and Kathryn McVicker. They were camp counselors. Joyce Hoffman tried to get "raised right" by being a camper at Limberlost. Archie Los displayed his girlish gams and hitch hiked all over the U. S. Manual Jackson put himself through summer school by his looks.

Of course there are always those who are tired of South Bend, and pack up and leave this city. A few of the lucky ones were Jack Stauffer and Patty Bonnell who headed for California — but came back when they were assured Hollywood needed no new Greer Garson or Clark Gable.

Mary Gentry, Sally Aller, Doris Hurst, and Gloria Enfield spent their time and energy working at the office, drug store, Ball Band and doing house work. After working all summer they should be rich.

Byron Donohoe worked (?) his way up from lowly stock boy to a third class stock boy at Robertson's—now all you have to say is that you know him and they throw you out of the store. Johnnie Leonard built up those muscles he is using in football by working for the Park Board. Dave Irwin hibernated during the summer months coming out of his cave only to go to the lake.

Bigger and better, we now can spin our tales concerning the summer and settle down in study and "remember when"?

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Tennis, Michigan City—Here.
Assembly, 8:35.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4.

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SATURDAY—OCTOBER 5.

Adams vs. Washington—Here.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8.

Tennis—Adams at Elkhart.
12 B Thurstone Psychological Test.

Believe

Me!

by Pati Guyon

Believe me, Central must really have something on the ball. At least, the Centralites seem to have a corner on the Adams hearts—which you will shortly know if you can bear to finish reading this column.

Believe me, Joanie Butler (Adams graduate) is now going steady with Jim Scoving (Central).

Believe me, Kenny Knode, former Adams student who has transferred to Central, is still going with Mary Louise Buechner, also of Central. At this writing it is unknown whether it's a "steady" proposition or not.

Believe me, rumor has it that David Giordano has broken with Centralite Joan Carter with whom he has been going for over a year.

Believe me, if you want to really appreciate the Adams Eleven, just watch some of the girls handling the pigskin. Two of the top-notch players are Nancy Gradecki and Joan Henderson.

Believe me, did you know that we had a doctor in our student-body? His name is Dr. Charles Ortt, of English VII. When Byron Donohoe asked the doctor the "difference between quantity and number" Ortt quickly replied, "Yes! Thank you."

Believe me, Jerry Gibson is rather lost now that Lynn Minzy has gone off to Kalamazoo and the courts of higher learning. Can't say I blame him.

Believe me, Coach "Corby" Davis has one of the cutest, but most bashful, smiles that have been seen at Adams in quite a while.

Believe me, this is the end.



Question: What do you think about girls asking boys to dances?

Dave Gibson—O.K., if it's a girls' club that's giving the dance.

Eileen Finnigan—I agree with Dave.

Glenn Personette — Saves the boy a lot of trouble.

Nancy Gradecki—Swell, if I go with Dewey.

Rod Million—Lush!

Betty Lou Bryant—Nice, if the boy pays the way.

BABY SITTER TELLS OF DIFFICULTIES WHILE CARING FOR "ANGELS"

by Doris Hardy

Wanted: Sitter

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The knocker sounds, the door opens and your life as an individual ends. From now on, 'till the end of the evening you are just one thing, and that is a plaything for two bouncing boys with more pep and energy than a two month old puppy.

Immediately you are besieged to play cops and robbers or to take the darlings piggy-back or some other blood-curdling game. You think to yourself, "It's bad now, could it get any worse?" But hold on to your hat, worse things are coming. One of the boys gets the brainy idea that the cat would like to see the goldfish so he puts the goldfish on the floor and in two minutes, guess what? No more goldfish! Of course by this time you are counting your gray hairs and the minutes 'till the darlings' mother and father will arrive home. Ooops, there goes the telephone. "Hello, oh Jim" (the man of the moment) "Hi goon child" and on goes the conversation till, crash! You go running into the next room and lo and behold there lies the china lamp in pieces on the floor with the little angels shrieking all around. Well, there goes the telephone conversation and the rest of your natural brown hair has turned silver. By the time the cherubs are in bed you would gladly face one of Miss Bennett's civics or history exams rather than take care of two small children for three hours.

Of course baby tending has its advantages for beside earning your spending money it helps the harassed parents get a few hours to themselves of which they will thank you gratefully.

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Candy Kane—Lambert

Maybe Candy wasn't as pretty as her sister Leigh, but she had the qualities that made everyone want her around. Candy's mother and Leigh were different and they always made things difficult.

Beach Red—Bowman

This is the magnificent story about one hour of a soldier's life during a Pacific island invasion. Although there are vivid battle scenes, there are glimpses into the soldier's mind to see how he feels about the war and its consequences.

Let's Talk About You—Bro

Here are frank discussions on everything from dating to job hunting. Within this wonderful book isn't advice that will work miracles over-night, but only good ideas for high-school and college girls.

(Continued from page one)

MR. NELSON

Our hero finally came home and settled down to teaching at Washington. He liked it very well and coached freshman football on the sidelines. Mr. Nelson stayed at Washington six and one half years.

And then it happened. Mr. Nelson married the woman of his dreams. The lucky girl's name was Miss Natalie Walters of Munsing, Indiana. They now have two very lovely children, John Erric, four, and Stephen Leif, two.

After Nelson was happily married, the army called. He trained as an aviation cadet in the Meteorological Section. After nine months of training he received a commission as a shavetail. (second louie.) He went to the Army Intelligence School in Harrisburg for two and one half months and then went to Blithe, California. There, the ambitious character, joined the 34th Bombardment Group and went to England in April, 1944. His duties were those of an S-2 officer.

In seventeen months Mr. Nelson was discharged as a first John. (first louie.) He came to Adams then and we are very fortunate to have him as yet. His subjects here at Adams are Bookkeeping, Geometry and Business Arithmetic.

The usual duty of taking care of his chillun is partly a spare time spender. He also loves to play bridge, golf and go fishing with the time that's left.

TYPICAL SOPHOMORES INTERVIEWED

by Virginia Erhardt

One of the newer additions to Adams is a sophomore "B" named John Bowman. Johnny, so he's called, came from Jefferson. He was born in South Bend on March 25, 1931, which makes him fifteen.

He looks down on all of you five "footers" since he's just about six feet tall. His hair is brown and on looking at his eyes several times in the mirror he pronounced them blue-green.

His favorite class is Geometry. He plays "B" team football, his favorite pastime is slaving for Coach Crowe. He dates the Statue of Liberty regularly since she is his favorite girl-friend.

A sophomore at Adams approaching the ripe old age of fifteen is a girl named Barbara Brecht, who most everyone calls Bobbie. She was born in South Bend on May 9, 1931. She came to Adams this fall from Jefferson.

Bobbie is about 5 feet 2 inches tall, has light brown hair, and blue eyes.

Her favorite class is Biology. She likes football best of all the sports (watching, that is!) She spends most of her spare time just loafing.

"OLD ADAMS ALPHABET"

A thleticDon and Joe Howell
B rightBetty Lou Bryant
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Gertie Schlesinheimer

Girl Steeplejack

by Paul Chalfant

It seems to me that the people who write the daytime serials must be addle-brained morons. All things considered, I think I'll write my own. So now, I present from the shelter of a General Sherman tank----

Gertie Schlesinheimer—

Girl Steeplejack

Announcer: "Good evening ladies and gentlemen. Schwanz-Down Gum Powder presents the first, and most probably the last, installment of Gertie Schlesinheimer—Girl Steeplejack. We had a commercial but the station refused to let us read such tripe. Now to our story. We find Gertie and Herbert, her boy friend, together—Cozy arrangement, isn't it?"

Gertie: "Oh Herbert, how can we get pater out of jail?"

Herbert: "Duuuuu" (Herbert isn't very bright.)

Reginald: "I say old bean are you there?" (This fellow seems out of place.)

Herbert: "No, I'm here." (Boy, what a brain.)

Gertie: "Why did he have to swipe that freight train? Oh, mother, how are you?"

Mother: "Where shall I put this cake you baked for the old man?"

Gertie: "On the table, ma." (CLANK)

Mother: "Oh, how sweet. A file for your father."

Gertie: "But, mother dear, you know pa never eats my cakes."

Herbert: "Duuuuuuuu" (This guys got a one track mind.)

Gertie: "I see but one solution." (BANG)

Well, as it is evident by the quick ending on this script, I'm sick and tired of it. The next person who mentions daytime serials to me will be presented with the unreadable pencil copy of it.

THE COLOR SCHEME

A little girl, three years old, was asked what kind of ice cream she would like to have. After hesitating a few minutes she replied, "I think vanilla would look best on my dress."

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Bob Robertson To Spark Washington Attack

Saturday, October 5, is "Operation Crossroads" at School Field stadium where coach Jim Crowe will pit his fighting Eagles against Bob Robertson and Co., namely the Washington Panthers. "Rapid Robert" with his gazelle-like speed will be the one to stop in Washington's star studded lineup. Robbie, who has a stride all his own, is really a football player.

The Panthers are bolstered in the line by Ed Martinczak, all state end. They will field almost the same lineup as in '45 season.

Adams will probably again rely on several possible pass combinations sparked by the Howells who are improving from game to game.

Joe "Crazylegs" Howell is quickly becoming a main stay in the Eagles backfield. He lacks experience, but with a few more games, should develop into a better than average player.

With the multitude of underclassmen playing for Adams, the chance for victory against such a powerhouse seems small, but a note of spirit and determination has recently sparked the Eagles to a higher level.

GOSHEN, 25; ADAMS, 0

Goshen's power laden Redskins molested our "hapless Eagles" to the flat tune of 25-0, under the arc lights of historic old School Field last September 20.

The Adams boys served up touchdowns smorgasboard style all the way through this hectic encounter. Fumbles, bad plays, the use of inexperienced players were the highlights in Goshen's one-sided victory.

Coach Crowe is undoubtedly building for next year's squad as he used almost entirely undergraduates during the second half.

Goshen was paced by reserve halfback Chuck Lewallen who intercepted a pass to score the touchdown. He also set up several other Goshen scores.

Dick Booth who was playing his first varsity game showed well in his running ability. "Moose" Barrett and Joe Howell were the other backfield stands outs. "Nick" Nichols and Lynn Wright were again the best Adams linemen on both defense and offense.

The survival of the fittest is going to make some guy awful lonesome someday.

TOWER SPORTS COLUMN

by Jack Highberger

My nomination for the two "hall-hogs" of the week are "Shotgun" Mitchell and Joe Haggee of Mr. Powell's third hour gym class. (I'm only kidding boys.)

Words of Advice: Watch Dick Booth, a most promising Sophomore fullback. He's just about the closest thing to "Sonny Brawnski" Adams can produce outside of the irresistible Dick Davis.

Coach Crowe has an exceptionally good group of sophomore backs to build for next year's team. They include John Bowman, Dick Booth, Leroy Barrett, and Joe Howell. All of these boys will be back for two more seasons.

While the nation is impatiently awaiting October twenty-first when the unveiling of "Lena, the Hyena" will take place, we here at Adams are quietly awaiting the arrival of the Washington Panthers on the School Field turf this Saturday evening at 8:00.

Basketball will soon be in the spotlight here on the Adams campus. Coach Powell will have Rollie Fye, Fred Wegner, Glenn Personette, and "Hilly" Howell back from last year's varsity plus some better than average "B" team boys who will be fighting it out for a varsity berth. These include "Jug" Ziker, Bill Green, George Granberry, Rod Million and several others.

GOLFERS FALL TO BEARS

Central nosed out the Adams golfers by a close 6½ to 5½ score.

Paul Bumann shot an 81, and looked better than any of the Adams boys, but he wasn't one of the top four men so his score didn't count. Rod Million was the other extra man along with Bumann and he shot a rusty 90.

Dick Worth's 83 was good and Ernie Mender's 88 was a fair showing, too. Jimmy Weissert was up against one of the best golfers in the city but Jim Sennett must be slipping, for he hasn't been showing well in his number one position.



by Keith Hall

How many of you realize that when the Goshen game finally came to an end there were four sophomores in the backfield, Joe Howell, LeRoy Barrett, Dick Booth, and Joe Plott. Howell played the entire game and Barrett saw a lot of action in the last half.

Paul (Byron) Bumann, one of the Eagle's star golfers, has the lowest average including practice and matches of anyone on the golf squad.

Yardage galore! Joe Howell ran the ball 15 times against Goshen and gained 96 yards for an average gain of around 6½ yards everytime he carried the ball. Joe also looked very good on his passes.

The candle was burning on both ends of the Eagles line against Goshen a week ago last Friday night. With Nick Nichols and Lynn Wright at left end and right end respectively. Nick played all but a couple of plays and Lynn saw action more than three quarters of the game.

LYNN WRIGHT GAINS PLAYER HONOR



That highly spirited right end, who has plenty of determination and goes by the name of Lynn Wright is the Adams player of the week.

Lynn who stands a mere 5'8" and weighs in at a scant 145 is the man who keeps the wheel rolling in the Adams line. Lynn though the lightest end on the Eagle squad has that old spirit which keeps him rolling from game to game.

The marvelous thing about Lynn's accomplishment of making the varsity squad, is that he never played a game of junior high ball.

In his sophomore year Lynn played little or no football on a "B" team squad which finished its schedule with four wins and five defeats.

Lynn bounced back this year under Coach Crowe and showed such fighting determination that he won a first string position in the Central game.

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