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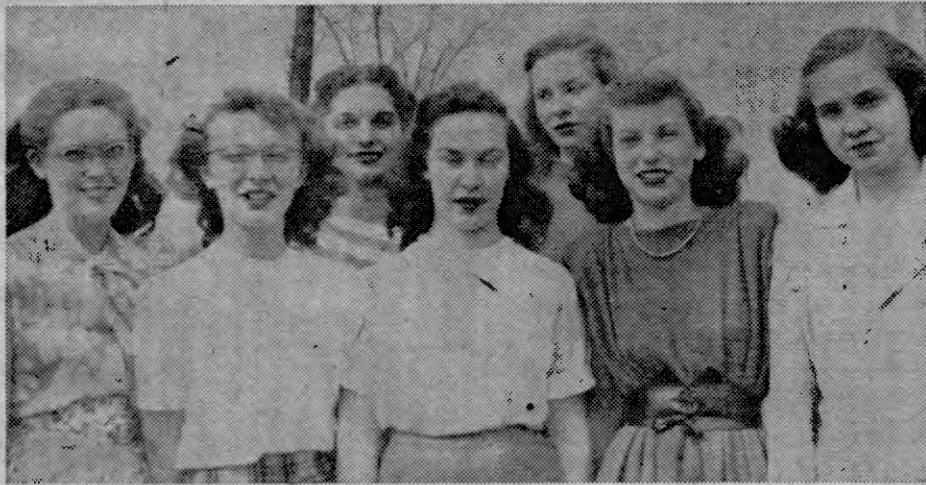
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LANE HEADS COUNCIL IN CLUB ELECTIONS

HEAD TOWER STAFF NEXT YEAR



The new Tower staff for next year includes these seven girls and two fellows who were just too bashful to get in with the gang. Pat Kissinger, second from left, is the new head man, or woman, and will take on the duties of editor-in-chief next fall.

Others on the staff include Laura Beth Miller, at the left, who is circulation manager; Joyce Liebig, beside Pat, business manager, Bet-

ty Stark, feature editor; and Helen Getzinger, Exchange editor, are on the right side, front row.

In the rear are Joan Wine, another feature editor, and Barb Smith, advertising manager.

Not shown in the picture are co-sports editors Jack Highberger, and John Horvath. Exchange column will be in charge of Maryvonne Rose, Music, Bill Rienke, and Clubs, Cynthia Ahlbrandt.

Glee Club Programs Continue; Kiwanis and P.E.O. Entertained

Some students may think that the Glee Club has nothing to do now that Katinka is over. However, this idea is entirely wrong. The Glee Club is practicing for four different programs to be given in May.

Heading the list is the Kiwanis' program to be given on May 15. For a good many years the Kiwanis Club has asked the Adams Glee club to sing and they consider it a distinct honor to be invited.

The Commencement program on May 26 is going to be quite thrilling. "Cry of God" will be presented with Bill Gooley as soloist. This will be the first time this number has been sung in the city. In keeping with traditions, the Glee club will also sing "The Lord's Prayer." Because so many of its members are graduating, the Triple Trio will sing a number. A Strauss waltz will round out the program.

Since Adams' Baccalaureate is combined with the other schools at this program. Fifty-eight members of the Glee clubs each of the four high schools will form a chorus that provides the music. The Adams seniors chose the underclassmen to fill up their quota. Each year one of the four high school music teacher has charge of the arrangements for Baccalaureate. Mrs. Pate is the chairman of arrangements this year. The program will include "Psalm 150" and "Sanctus."

A small group made up of the Triple Trio and a few soloists will give a program for P.E.O.

Besides these programs, the Glee club is also busy on a party. This party has become as traditional as the Christmas and Easter programs.

It was impossible to hold the election of Glee club officers before this Tower went to press so these officers will be announced the first thing next fall.

Drama Club, Y-Teens, G.A.A. Headed By Waechter, Gudates, Keb Respectively

Heading the list of last week's club elections are the officers for next year's student council. These four boys have a big responsibility since the 1947 group did much to bolster the standing of the council with both the students and faculty. Many projects will have to be carried over and worked on next year since they are long-range problems.

Senior Play Today;
School Daze Stars
Watson and McNeile

The annual senior play was presented in an assembly this morning. The decision to hold it before senior day and the awards assembly, was prompted by the fact that it was too much of a burden on members of the cast to give the play at that time.

This year's original script, written by senior class president, Fred Wegner, was titled "School Daze" and was the story of a typical home which has students going to John Adams High School.

Jimmie McNeile and Beverly Watson played the leads, having the names of Sonny Meade and Rivera Park, which added to the flavor of the plot. Jerry Gibson, a former boyfriend of Rivera's accorded many anxious moments in Sonny's dream, but things turned out fine in the end.

The cast of the play and all who helped put it on, enjoyed doing it very much. They had but two weeks to get it ready for production, but the enthusiasm shown helped put it over the top. This is the last senior activity before the awards assembly Monday.

In a ballot of three candidates, Tom Lane emerged as the president of next year's student organ. His assistants are Don Lambert, vice-president; John Ruffner, secretary; and David Gibson, treasurer.

Home room representatives for next year are Jerry Freels 101, Dick Brotherson 105, Mac Bussert 106, Jerry Follmar 109, Dick Carlson Lib., Tom Barth 201, Shirley Williams Dr., Don Lambert 203, Phillip Layman 304, Bill Roberts 205, Barbara Sennett 206, Mary Lou Schweir 208, John Ross 209, and Tom Lane 210.

Other elections held last week were G.A.A., Y-Teens, and Drama Club. The officers elected were: G.A.A., president, Ruth Keb; vice-president, Mary Ann Evanoff; secretary-treasurer, Marilyn Becker; sergeants-at-arms, Lois Rush, Dorothy Smith; Tower representative, Marion Higgins.

Y-Teens: president, Betty Gudates; vice-president, Phyllis Taylor; secretary, Nancy Ellsworth; treasurer, Joan Borden; inter-club council representatives, Lorraine Hoover and Beverly Miller; publicity chairman, Mary Nold; service chairman, Doris Taylor; and social chairman, Lois Nestlerode.

Drama club: president, Bob Waechter; vice-president Joann Wine; secretary, Barbara Clayton; treasurer, Jerry Weinberg; and Sgt.-at-arms, James Lang.

HOME EC. CLASSES GIVE ADAMS ODES OF 1947

The home economics department of John Adams will present "Adams Odes of 1947" tomorrow night in the little theatre. Clothing that has been made by the students in the Clothing 1, 2, and 3 classes of the department will be modeled.

The girls of John Adams, and the ninth grade groups of Nuner, Jefferson and Lincoln schools are invited. Refreshments will be served by the foods classes after the dress revue.

Helping with this program are the following committee members: Betty Lou Bryant, announcer; publicity, Joyce Liebig, (chairman), Bernice Pfiefer, Ruth Keb, Pat Smith, Joyann Hodge, and Helen Stanfield; invitation, Delores Allison, (chairman), Nancy Mais, Don-

na Ellis, Pat Lord, Joan Mann and Marilyn Bendit; script, Joan Johnson (chairman), Betty Lou Bryant, Bernita Owens, and Donna Personette; hostess committee, Sarah LaFollette, (chairman), Betty Turnock, Nancy Gradecki, Pat Bonnell, Marian Densmore and Pat Weaver; arrangements, Norma Rush and Joan Plummer (co-chairmen), Alice Moberg, Adeline Nihlean, Lois Biastock, Shirley Gorsuch, Margaret Kreisel, Catherine Klink and Marjorie Lubbers.

A string ensemble under the direction of Mrs. Llewellyn will play before the program and during the serving of refreshments. Background music will be furnished by Katherine DeLong at the piano.

ATTENTION SENIORS

The Tower's special senior issue will be issued Monday after the senior awards assembly. Many interesting and amusing features and stories will be in the paper, written especially for the seniors by The Tower staff and several outside helpers.

The senior class prophecy will be one of the main points in the issue. Individual copies may be purchased after the assembly from agents posted in the halls. Price will be five cents.

SENIOR DAY MONDAY

TO YOU SENIORS

Here it is again. Graduation time. All the thrills and joys and expectations of graduation are in the air and are felt even by the underclassmen.

You who have been just among the students of John Adams for the past three years suddenly stepped out in front and are graduating seniors. You are going out into that challenging world with high aims and expectations, and, we hope, just a little reluctant to leave John Adams. We, the underclassmen, have razed you a little and irritated you at times, but secretly we have admired you very much. No matter whether you go to college, enter business fields, become housewives, or have other occupations, you will always be a part of Adams, for your deeds are written in its history, your laughter echos in its halls, and we will still be looking to you, our alumni for inspiration.

As we move into the vacancies you have created, we realize the responsibilities you have carried and as our way of saying "thank you" we will ever strive to keep the high standards you have set for John Adams.

We wish you all the luck in the world, and may all good fortune come to you.

So long, Seniors. Good luck.

—Joan Wine.

SO LONG, ADAMS

The time for graduation has finally arrived. How fast the last three years have gone. Before long we will no longer be talking about the Prom, Baccalaureate, or Commencement—they will be things of the past. We will no longer be making last minute dashes to class, having dances in the Little Theatre, locker chats, or club meetings.

In the past three years we have made lasting friends with our teachers and other students. It will be hard to say goodbye to these friends as we depart to make our way in the world. We will never forget the pleasant three years which we have spent here at Adams.

We have learned many things here which will help us in later life; such as, loyal spirit, the art of making friends, and the ability to work together. Now that our days are nearly over, we can better realize the help and co-operation we have received from our teachers.

We would like to thank everyone who has made our stay at Adams a pleasant one. Our happy days at Adams will long be remembered.

—Marjorie Soelch.

Spring Is Here

Spring is here!!! The air is full of unrest and the student can't seem to sit still. We get all set to do our homework, our intentions are the best, but somehow we find ourselves staring into space instead of concentrating on our work. Flowers are blossoming out in new forms of loveliness. Boys get new ideas. They always say that in the spring a young man's fancy

turns to thoughts of—well—fishing, hunting, and track. School is almost over and we long for the call of the open road and the Ole Swimmin' Hole. Girls dream of the long carefree hours ahead of them, filled with hiking, weiner roasts, and a lush tan.

What causes this strange restlessness?

Why are things so different? Yep, I guess that's it, "Spring Fever."

—S. B. Central Interlude.



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STUDENTS PLAN SUMMER VACATIONS AT MOUNTAINS, LAKES, OCEANS FOR FUN

It seems that summer vacation is almost here and many of our fellow students are planning trips to the far corners of the world. Some are going to camp, others to visit relatives and then there are some of us whose longest trip this summer will be to some nearby lake.

Agnes McCreary is one of those fortunate humans who is going for a long trip. She and her mother are going to spend several months with her sister in Miami, Florida.

Fishing is the main thing in the vacation plans of Bud Sunderlin. For this reason he is going to Wisconsin, and then to northern Minnesota in June. In August he plans to go to West Virginia and catch some trout (he hopes).

Two ambitious seniors, Johnny Leonhard and Fred Wegner, are hoping to see their national capital this summer. But as to how and when they're going, they're not quite sure.

Karen Hennings is one of those lucky characters whose parents have a cottage on a lake. She's planning to spend her spare time at theirs on Lake Michigan. Carlisle Parker is going to be at his family's summer home at Birch Lake as are Sheila McMurray at White Lake and Eillen Finnegan at Diamond Lake.

One of those going farther away is Cynthia Ahlbrandt. She is heading for Butte, Montana and then hopes to go from there to Glacier National Park. If possible she may go as far north into Canada as Banff and Lake Louise.

Shirley Williams and her family are planning to motor west if they have time. But they are definitely going to spend a month at their farm in Iowa.

Dick Wysong and David Hyde are sailing for France shortly after school is out to attend a big Boy Scout meeting. This meeting is held every four years and scouts from all over the world attend.

Many other of our Adams students are going to be going away and probably many more staying home, but whatever the case, they will always have fun.

Believe

Me!

by Patl Guyon

Believe me, Bud Witt is giving all the Adams' girls a big thrill. First it was Mariam Jones, and now it is Lenore Tucker.

Add ailing Adamites: Marilyn "Windy" Wintz.

Believe me, Jim Bomberger and Ed Anderson must like their gals "young and innocent" because they were seen with two girls from Jefferson.

Seen at Prog.:

Doris Eberhart and Chuck Hoffman, Nancy King and Jim Sennett, John Keller and Jane Tarr, Harold Ziker and Marg. Boldon, Carlisle Parker and Karen Hennings, Hank Hukill and Susie Schvier, Bob Shultz and Nancy Bartol, and Ann McNamee and Larry Reister.

Another Adamite now engaged: Marilyn Fenzau.

Byron Donoho has been seeing a lot of Anita Nykos lately.

Believe me, John Weissert is certainly being true to Joan Harrington (Central) while she is in California. Neither he nor John Kelly made it to Prog.

Joan Babcock has a new "man" from college, "Johnny."

Seen around together lately: Barbara Anderson and Bob Holcomb, Marjorie Soelch and Carl Henry (Riley alumnus).

Believe me, Marian Driver and Boo Rupert were two of the happiest girls at the Junior Prog. formal 'cause they received orchids from Jerry and Fred.

Mother: What did you learn in your first day in school, dear?

Jr.: Nothing. I have to go back tomorrow.

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During the ticket sale for Katinika, a contest was organized with prizes going to the two people who sold the most tickets. A season ticket for next year's basketball games was the first prize and a year's subscription to The Tower the second prize. It has been announced that Laurette Canter received the basketball ticket for selling 54 tickets and Bill Grounds, who sold 47 tickets, received the second prize.

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I WENT TO A BASEBALL GAME . . . ONCE

by Norma Rush

Friday afternoon and it's nearly time for the Adams-Riley baseball game. You stack a neat pile of homework (you'll never do it, but it makes the teachers happy), fight through hall traffic that would make even a New York traffic officer turn prematurely gray, take your life in your own hands crossing the practice field, and then try to find a nice comfortable, safe (are you kidding?) refuge from which to view the mighty Eagles smashing through to another glorious victory. (That last line deserves a medal).

What a day for a game. So cool and refreshing, if you like Artic weather. And such clean visibility, if you didn't mind the clouds (they were a little low that day). Some spectators griped about the wet ground, but they haven't seen anything until they've seen our second floor lockers on a rainy day.

What a game. Riley's bases are loaded and there is a heavy hitter at bat. Don Truex throws one in there close and Marilyn Becker yells, "If you hit him, hit him hard," but he missed in spite of the encouragement and Riley led two to one.

Somebody hit a foul. We're not quite sure what happened next, but when we turned around there was some fellow in the middle of the Avenue selling slightly used auto parts cheap. (New Studebaker, no doubt).

Keith Ziders took a mighty swing at a fast one and collapsed like a folding chair. The great "John L." Horvath was about exhausted too. Retrieving those great big bats can be pretty strenuous you know.

Who won? You mean to say you have doubts? Well, who usually wins? —No,—on second thought maybe that isn't much of a hint, so I'll have to tell you after all. We did. Three to Two.

HI-Y PLANS OUTING AT DUNES PARK

Winding up its biggest year of activity, the John Adams Hi-Y Club plans an outing for the fifty boys who are members of the organization. Sunday, May 25, has been set aside by all of the boys as a day with each other—a day to remember.

A trip is planned to the Indiana Dunes State Park, where the day will be spent in whatever activity the gang can find, and without a doubt, they will find plenty. Arrangements are being made by a special committee.

City Musicians Give Annual Music Festival

The band and orchestras of South Bend's public schools presented a concert in the Adams Auditorium May 6. The different groups were assembled on the gym floor and on the stage, presenting a colorful spectacle to the audience. All bands and orchestras were well received by the audience which approached 1,000 in number.

The Adams band closed the two hour program with "Dark Eyes" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Also under the direction of Mr. Deardorff were the Nuner, Jefferson, and Lincoln bands. They combined to play the "Courageous Overture."



What are you going to do over the summer? (asked to seniors):

Pat Hardy—work, heaven knows where, with Hulbert.

Sheila McMurray—White Lake!

Dewey More—Back to my wittle bow and arrows at Eberhardt.

Gloria Enfield—Work for School City.

Johnnie Leonhard—Park Board—here I come.

Joyce Schleiger, Phyllis Hertel—Ha! Travelers.

Byron Donaho—Work for my "old man."

Joan Babcock—going to summer school, "College of Commerce."

Pam Hudson—(groan) work.

Eddie Anderson—money for college spelled work.

Bill Adelsperger—Canada!

Jean Miller—some kind of work.

Ernest Mendler—hitch-hike to the west coast.

Betty Lehner—work and have fun.

Catherine Klink—mess around.

Evan Farmer—work for future (ahem—college).

Barbara Stanz—nothing.

Teacher: "Now, can any of you girls tell me what a mandate is?"

Pupil: "Yes, teacher, it is an appointment with a gentleman."

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PLATIPUSSES

IT SAYS HERE

by Paul Chalfant

I'm sure that most of you have heard of the platipusses which have just been obtained by the New York Zoo. I want it understood that I have had a platipuss for a long time. The Zoo is not the first place in the U. S. to have one.

Owing to something that I once did for a kangaroo, the Australian government sent me a platipuss. Its name is Oscar. All platipusses are named Oscar—it's easier* to say, "Here Oscar," than "Here platipuss." Oscar was very friendly 'till I started beating him at gin rummy. He then started pouting.

Platipusses can't stand to be topped. Oscar started spreading vicious rumors that I cheated at cards. After a while I got it straightened out. Generally, Oscar makes a fine pet and we are on good speaking terms. The nicest thing about him is that he is several different kinds of pets at once. So, for the man who lives in a small apartment but who loves pets, I recommend that he should get a platipuss.

This bulletin was prepared by the Australian Chamber of Horrors and the National Society for the Welfare and Prevention of Cruelty to Platipusses in conjunction with the United Pltipusses of the World, local number 2.

Teacher: "What is an island?"

Modern Pupil: "An island is a piece of land entirely surrounded by traffic."

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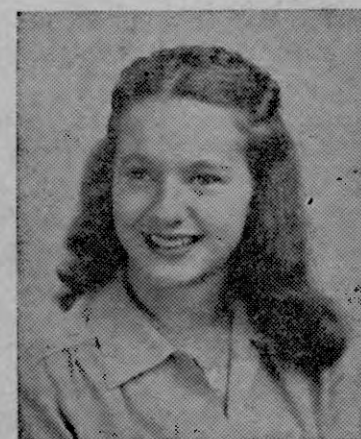
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Just A Little Left Over



There comes a time when odds and ends must be caught up and mistakes have to be admitted. Well, this is it. Somehow or other this picture of Don Simon was left over and our Scotch blood won't let us waste it. All kidding aside, Don's really a grand fellow. He plays center on our football team, was elected captain for next year's team, and won the Kiwanis award for sportsmanship and scholarship this year. Don takes an active part in basketball and baseball, too. Besides being on the smoking council, Mr. Simon is a "Joe Duker" and a general "wheel" around school.

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BATTLE WITH NOBLESVILLE ENDS 2-2 TIE

An Adams vs. Mishawaka game has always been a blood battle and this year's encounter on the Dodge field clay was no exception. The game was played in a constant drizzle after the fourth inning. Adams held the whip in her hand, holding a 2-1 lead at the end of the fifth when it was debated whether to call the game but, the evening proceedings went on and Mishawaka tied the game in the last of the sixth. Jack Hocker, center fielder, lead off with a single to left. Nichols quickly struck out leaving the brunt of the load on the shoulders of third baseman John Moore. Stocky John sent a high fly to center which on a dry day would have been an easy out but Adams' Eddie White dropped the pill in the murky atmosphere to send home Hocker with the tying run. Adams went down valiently in the seventh with Zeiders dying on first.

Mathias opened the do or die seventh for the Cavemen with a walk. George Harley fanned. Noble Rhoutsong made the second out with a high fly. Catcher Kollat k.o'd., bringing the trouble to its climax.

Larry Phennigar was the Cavemen's biggest sticker with three hits for four times up. Don Truex who did the pitching chores for Adams, distributed eight hits very evenly during his seven innings of hurling. Don allowed only two walks and fanned eleven Maroon sluggers. Rapid Don managed to strike out every member of the Maroon party but pitcher Rhoutsong, was also pitching himself a fine game. Rhoutsong allowed no Adams hits during the entire game.

Adams got their two runs in the fourth and fifth innings. Fred Wegner scored in the fourth on a fielders choice. Dave Coker scored the other run on a wild pitch by the Mishawaka hurler in the fifth.

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POWERHOUSE WASHINGTON BEATEN 4-3

The John Adams Eagles gained a tie for first place in the N.I.H.S. C. by defeating the Washington Panthers 4 to 3 at Harrison last Monday. The three way tie between Adams, Mishawaka, and Washington was decided after deadline time for this issue.

Bill Cox, Adams starting pitcher, pitched a good game except for a little trouble in the third inning when Washington scored all three of their runs. Don Truex went in as relief in the sixth inning and finished the game.

Bill Cox, the winning pitcher, won his own game by driving home two runs in the sixth inning to send the Eagles in the lead 4 to 3. Adams scored first in the third as Personette singled and Don Truex doubled him home. This 1 to 0 lead was held until the fourth when the Panthers pushed across their three runs. Adams big inning came in the sixth as they scored three runs on singles by Personette and Bill Cox mixed in with two walks and an error.

Adams was leading 4 to 3 going into the last of the seventh when Washington threatened with the bases loaded and one out, but the rally was cut short by a double play. Laweck handled the pitching duties for Washington.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Adams	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	4	7	3
Washington	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	5	3

RILEY QUIETED 4-3

Behind the willow - the - wisp pitching of Don Truex the Adams brigade of batsmen pounced on Riley's Wildcats for a 3-2 victory.

The winning run came in the seventh inning when a squeeze play bunt by Glenn Personette sent Ed White home. White had previously beat on an infield hit.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Riley	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	4	4
Adams	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	5	4

Teacher: "You should write your themes in such a way that even the most ignorant people can understand them."

Student: "Which one of mine didn't you understand?"

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NEXT CRACK AT MAROONS FRIDAY NIGHT; IMPS FOE TONIGHT

Friday night, on the Adams diamond, a lot of things will be determined when the Mishawaka nine will invade for a conference tilt.

Last week's seven inning tie decided little in the win column, but will make way for an interesting game Friday.

The same hurlers who faced each other in the first game will probably pitch tonight. They are Don Truex and Noble Rhoutsong.

A large crowd is expected to turn out for this heated battle which will accord much for the spectators.

Tonight, the Adams nine travels to Michigan City for the second conference meeting of the two teams. The Eagles won the first game.

Bauer's Beauties Whip Central On Court 62-56

John Adams G. A. A. volley ball varsity squad rallied to whip Central's girls 62-56 in a closely fought match last week.

The Bauer coached team trailed 34-39 at the half, but came blazing back in the second period to win. Doris Moxley paced the winners with 12 points, but individual scoring honors went to the Bear's Geroldine Luten who garnered 19.

Scores for the Adams team:

Kathleen Bumann	10
Marilyn Becker	8
Christine Scott	8
Norma Lebo	1
Ruth Keb	11
Carol Cormican	4
Lois Rush	8
Doris Moxley	12

At school for the first time, the small boy started to sob bitterly.

"What's the matter, Willie?" asked the teacher.

"Please, Miss. I don't like school, and I've got to stay here till I'm 14."

"Don't worry about that," said the teacher. "Look at me. I've got to stay here till I'm 65!"

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SPRING FOOTBALL

The much postponed spring football practice will be resumed again tomorrow and will continue until school is out. Earlier attempts to hold practice sessions were halted because of inclement weather. The city coaches decided to give up until May 15 for this year, and in the future start practice May 1 for one month.

CONFERENCE BATTING

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D. Truex	19	7	.370	6
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Personette	18	4	.223	2
B. Cox	5	1	.200	2
White	12	2	.167	0
Coker	15	2	.133	0
Zeiders	9	1	.111	1
D. Cox	13	1	.077	0
R. Truex	14	1	.071	1
Wegner	14	1	.071	0
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If we don't watch out, Adams might have another baseball pennant on her hands, the way they were slugging against Washington—you never can tell. I'm just one "salt" in a crew of 725 who hope they can bring home the bacon. Nevertheless, no matter win or lose the boys are showing some of that old spirit which makes the game and are putting out some base hits that are honeys. Speaking of extra base hits, walloping Don Truex had three doubles and one triple going into the Mishawaka game. Bill Roberts and Glenn Personette have sharpened their batting eyes and are moving up on the hit parade. Dick Truex is having some trouble hitting from the left side of the plate though he is playing a sparkling game at first base. Bill Cox, a rookie getting his first start, is the one who tamed the Washington Panthers with his snappy "chucking." Win or lose, let's get out there and support the home team.

Jerry Gibson got Adams' only first place ribbon at the eastern division meet at Elkhart but the Adams thinlies manages to get enough points to place fourth in a field of ten, anyway. Ben Jucik pressed Don Krider so closely in the first heat of the 440 that the gangling Riley youth set a new record for the event. Luther Johnson proved to be another cow's tail as he missed the bus to Rice field. Bob Smith got a second in the high hurdles.

RIVER PARK THEATRE

Friday—Saturday
Bing Crosby Gloria Jean
"IF I HAD MY WAY"
Ann Sheridan James Cagney
"CITY FOR CONQUEST"