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SEE "CAPTAIN JINKS" TOMORROW NIGHT

Major Offices Filled In Mock Election Yesterday

All John Adams students who wished to exercise their privilege to vote were permitted to do so yesterday, September 28. Although legally under age they were given this opportunity to vote for president, vice-president, governor, and lieutenant-governor like their parents will in the coming November election.

This mock election was sponsored by the National Youth Committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce to help prepare and educate students for one of the duties they will acquire as American citizens when they reach 21 years of age.

Mr. Lewis Mason, chairman of the committee, appointed Andy Toth of Central to be in charge of the election board. This board composed of students from all the high schools will meet on October 2 in the Council Room of the City Hall to tabulate the ballots.

The campaign was handled completely by students, with no political aid. Each high school conducted the election to satisfy its requirements.

Here at Adams the Student Council took charge. Council representatives were given complete instructions concerning the election at the Student Council meeting on September 23. Registration began in the home rooms immediately after the meeting and continued through September 24. Each home room represented a precinct.

JUNIORS HOLD MAJORITY IN ENROLLMENT

This year the enrollment at John Adams has dropped from 673 students in September of 1947 to 652 students in September, 1948. The main reason for this is that most of us were born in 1931, 1932, or 1933, the worst years of the depression. Therefore, there is a natural decline in all school enrollment.

Two hundred seven sophomores are timidly walking the halls of Adams this year. Two hundred thirty-one juniors are joyful that their first year is over and last but certainly not least, 214 seniors seem their usual proud, aloof selves.

Everyone is welcoming the 155 new 10B's. We all hope they'll like Adams. In addition there are 16 new juniors and 3 new seniors. Eleven students are new to the school district.



Back row — Left to right: Arthur Jones, John Meyer, David Gibson, Harold Heeter, John Bowman. Front row: Martha Swintz, Judy Riggs, Lois Warstler.

CAPTAIN JINKS OFFERS ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL

Way back when, in the nineteenth century or the so called "bustle era", the characters of "Captain Jinks" took form.

Ethel Barrymore once played the part of the leading lady, Madam Trentoni, in this romantic comedy. Our Ethel Barrymore will be Lois Warstler. Captain Jinks will be played by Dave Gibson, and John Meyer will play the part of Papa Belliarti.

The romance of Captain Jinks and Madam Trentoni begins its thrills and misfortunes on the pier as Madam Trentoni steps from the boat, which has arrived from Europe.

Captain Jinks makes a bet with two of his friends that he will make love to Madam Trentoni before they do. As the ideas of a playwright run Captain Jinks really falls in love with Madam Trentoni and his buddies try to hold him to his bet, thus ruining his love affair.

Papa Belliarti, the overseer of the opera troupe, steps in with his helpful advice to add spice to the already muddled affair.

The ballet ladies and Papa Belliarti with the monkey and the three dogs will add laughs to your evening while you are carried away on the wings of romance by Madam Trentoni and Captain Jinks.

Something New Has Been Added

Mr. Goldsberry, veteran John Adams teacher, is the instructor of the World History class at Adams.

The subject is not at all new in the school city, but it is new at Adams. The subject is offered at many junior high schools but

INDUSTRIAL ARTS AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

On September 14, awards were presented by Mr. Dickey to the students who had won honors in the 1947-48 National Scholastic Industrial Arts Fair held in Chicago. There were 13 winners of place honorable mention from Adams. There were additional checks for supplementary awards. John Ruffner, Tom Thompson, and James Lebo won \$10 Higgins Ink awards. Ted Shafer won a \$5 award sponsored by the Aluminum Company of America.

The other students who won awards are: Tom Doyon, honorable mention in plastics; Shirley Williams, place, in plastics; Hugh Lees, two place certificates in plastics; John Ruffner, honorable mention in machine drawing and place in architectural working drawing; Tom Thompson, honorable mention in machine drawing; James Lebo, honorable mention in machine drawing; Ted Shafer, honorable mention in cast aluminum and place in hand tools; Bob Kuntz, honorable mention in hand tools and place in hand tools; Bob Krug, place in hand tools; Joe Plott, place in hand tools; Bob Beisel, place in hand tools; and Keith Born, place in hand tools.

This national contest was held to encourage creative expression and development of skills among the teenagers. Their work was exhibited in the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago and will be placed on exhibit at the Office Engineers when returned to South Bend.

Adams is offering the course for those students who have not had the opportunity to take it and who desire a major in Social Studies.

Warstler, Gibson and Meyer Star in 19th Century Romance

On the night of Thursday, September 30 at 8 o'clock the curtain will rise for the Drama Club's production, "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines." The cast includes:

Captain Robert Carralton	
Jinks	Dave Gibson
Augustus Bleeker Von	
Vorkenberg	Harold Heeter
Professor Belliarti	John Meyer
The Herald Reporter	Robert Trimble
The Tribune	
Reporter	Thomas Smithberger
The Times Reporter	Robert Gross
The Sun Reporter	Dave Sanderson
The Clipper	
Representative	Ronald Schricker
A Newsboy	Arthur Jones
An Official Detective	LaMar Worley
A Sailor	Kelly Kindig
A Policeman	Dennis Kunce
A Telegram Boy	Elliot Weinberg
Mrs. Greenborough	Martha Swintz
Mrs. Jinks	Sylvia Lerner
Mrs. Stonington	Judith Riggs
Miss Merriam	Nancy Feragen
Charles Larmartine	John Bowman
The Ballet Ladies	Agnes McCreary
	Joanne Green
	Suzanne Green
	Laurette Canter
	Joan Screes
	Joan Inglefield
	Rosalie Fragomeni
Mary	Joan Partritz
Mme. Frentoni (Aurelia Johnson)	Lois Warstler

Behind the scenes of the play, people have been painting, putting up scenery, sewing costumes and getting the wardrobe ready, collecting dogs, Victorian furniture, a rose rug and a monkey, getting make-up ready, selling tickets, putting out publicity, and every other thing that has to be done before the night of the play. Those hard working chairmen who have to keep everything running smoothly are: Make-Up, Connie Hudson; Publicity, Martha Swintz; Properties, Joan Partritz; Tickets, Patricia Haley; Sets, John Meyer; Sewing, Jean Ingram, Asst., Janice Cronkhite; Wardrobe, Ona Apelgreen, Asst., Betty Granat. Mrs. Lawrence Pate and Laurette Canter are responsible for the music heard during the play.

The Production Manager and his assistant who oversee everything are Robert Gross and Kelly Kindig. The Student Director is Katie Reasor and the prompter is Betty Cierzniak. Mr. Cassady is directing the play and the faculty advisor of the Drama Club and the play is Miss Kaczmarek.

VOCALISTS OFF TO GOOD START

Back to its old tradition, the Glee Club is happily organized under its new capable officers, one big happy family, all striving to make this year the best year in its history. Of course every year the students think their Glee Club is best; this year, we are going to 'prove' it!

Would you like to help us? To those who would, I'm going to tell you a secret. The Glee Club has room for a few more members! The Glee Club would like everyone to belong, but since this is impossible they do the next best thing, have tryouts. No, you don't have to have a voice like Jenny Lind or Lauritz Medchior. In fact, determination sometimes is much more important than the perfect voice.

If you would like to be a part of this fine organization, the John Adams Glee Club, and sing with them at Thanksgiving, Christmas Vespers, Easter, Commencement, and many other programs; if you would like to help the Glee Club make this year its best, by all means, come to the tryouts! You will be welcome by all!

Sophomores Fill Most Cheerleading Positions

Four cheerleaders for the B-Team were elected by the most applause at an all school assembly on September 17.

Jerry Freels, head cheerleader, conducted the election. Ten students tried out for the positions and after a close election Pearl Coffman, Marcia Dousman, Kelly Kindig and Shelia Fitzsimmons were chosen.

Mr. Gorden Nelson, faculty advisor of the cheerleaders, gave a very impressive talk on the good spirit and ability of our team.

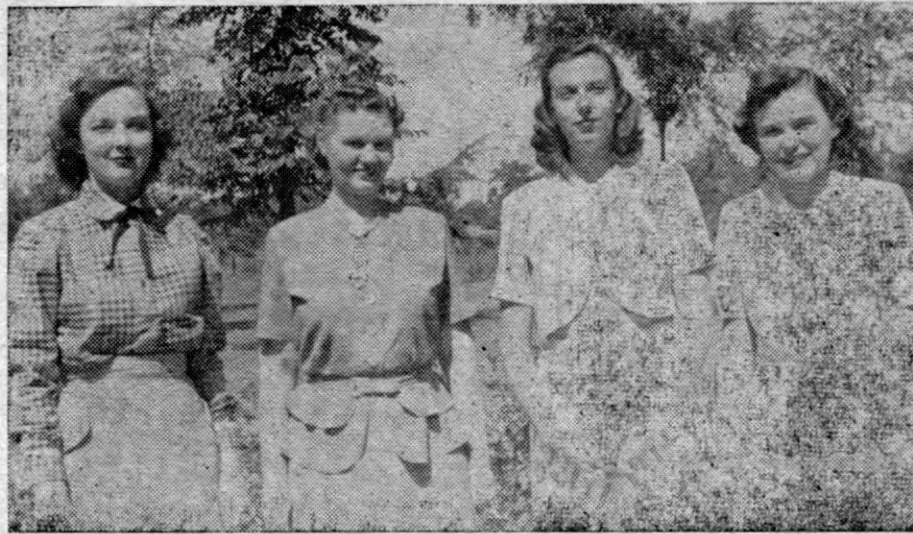
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NEW TEACHERS



Left to right: Miss Stitt, Miss Moberg, Mrs. Fogt and Miss Shuman. Mr. Harry Koss was not present when the picture was taken.

THE SHORT OF IT ABOUT THE NEW TEACHERS

This year, as always, Adams is very glad to introduce to you five new teachers. Some of these new teachers have taught at other schools and the others have just received their degrees.

Mrs. Patricia Fogt is our new gym teacher. She was born in Detroit, Michigan and attended Ohio Wesleyan University, where she majored in Physical Education.

Miss Marjorie Stitt is our new Home Economics teacher. She was born in southern Indiana, and attended Purdue University where she majored in teaching and merchandising.

Miss Myrtle Moberg is the new librarian. She was born in South Bend, Indiana, attended Indiana University where she received her A. B. degree, and then she went to Ball State Teachers' College where she received her library work. She

also attended Manchester College. Last year Miss Moberg taught at Riley.

Mr. Harry Koss is our new assistant football coach. He was born in Indianapolis, attended Butler University where he majored in history and physical education. He taught at Riley six years before the war.

Miss Phyllis Shuman, orchestra director, came to South Bend from Howe, Indiana. At Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana, she received her B. S. degree in Music, Education and English. Last year she taught music at James Monroe School.

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EAGLES ADVANCE WITH WRONG FOOT

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The 1948 football season got under way at John Adams with defeat number one going down in the books. The loss came from the hands of the Washington Panthers by a 13-0 score. The Panthers are being guided by "Sammy" Wegner, 1947 Eagles line coach. The momentary pause before the Adams' punters decided to get rid of the ball resulted in two blocked kicks which was like handing Washington their two touchdowns. The Eagles have a small but hard driving team and can be expected to open up any game now. Either early season stage fright or inexperience was with the Eagles in the Washington game but a few more appearances will straighten the boys out. Adams has a good club and they need the support from the cheering section, so get behind your team.

BARRITT INJURED; ADAMS LOSES

Central Bears' scrappy gridsters over-balanced a terrific Adams' passing attack to beat the Eagles 25-7. Led by slippery Wayman Redding, who figured in all the Bruin scores, the Bears piled up an 18-0 lead before Adams scored early in the final period.

Leroy Barritt, hard-running Eagle fullback, was injured on the opening kickoff, and the Adams rushing attack became practically nil after that. However, Adams unleashed the heaviest School Field passing attack of the season, hitting on 15 of 29 aerials, with Joe Howell doing most all the pitching.

Central scored twice in the second period on an 11 yard Redding to Shine pass and a 3 yard plunge, set up by Redding. Wayman countered again on a 6 yard run and concluded Central's scoring with a 39 yard jaunt in the final period.

Adams' lone score came in a 70 yard sustained drive. Joe Howell hit six receivers, which ate up most of the yardage. A ten yard spiral to Dick Booth went for the score. Joe Plott added the seventh point. Jim Nevins, Dean Richards, and Dick DeMas were outstanding on defense for the Red and Blue. Adams' kicking was much improved over the Central game; Dick Booth getting off one punt of over 50 yards.

AS I SEE IT

By
JOHN HORVATH

Greetings sports fans, I welcome you to one year of sports as I see it. My views may differ from some readers, but I will strive to make it interesting to the different groups of readers.

Well as you all know, another football season is under way here in South Bend with unfortunate luck following the Eagles in two defeats 13-0 and 25-7. The two losses go to South Bend Washington and Central respectively. The game against Washington was hampered by blocked kicks or the score would have read something like 0-0. The score of the Central game was not near that which was expected by most football fans. The Eagles were fighting all the time but when you run into a shifty back like Wayman Redding there is bound to be trouble.

This year the Eagles have one of the smallest lines in the school's history but they are plenty rough. The way they pushed the big boys from Washington and Central around they sure proved themselves strong in my mind.

INDIVIDUAL SPOTLIGHTS

In other opening games Riley was hit hard as Don Krider, first string end, received a fractured arm in the Gary Horace Mann game.

Leroy "Moose" Barritt, Adams back, suffered some cracked ribs from the Central game. Here's hoping he's back in there next week.

Joe Plott, double for Sonny Brawnski, has become the boy with the educated toe as he has piled up a 1.000 percentage on conversions, this being one for one in the Central game. All kidding aside, Joe is doing the kicking for Adams this year and I might say a good job, too.

Here is a dedication to the chief equipment controllers, the senior managers. Tom Barth is heading the football manager and keeps all the equipment in check. Bob Kaplan, alais "Two Gun Pete", is now serving as senior manager for the 1948 tennis team.

The next obstacle looming in the Eagles schedule is Goshen. Adams will meet Goshen in a conference tilt on School Field Friday night, September 24. After the Eagles' bad start they will be after that scent of victory and I predict they will get it, too.

Athletic Bulletin

In order that there may be no misunderstandings, the coaching staff of John Adams wants every student to be aware of the following ruling made by the Athletic Board in October, 1946. It was unanimously agreed that this ruling will help to build a more successful varsity athletic program.

"No wearing apparel, jewelry, or other items of similar nature symbolizing an unapproved school club or group, shall be worn or displayed by a student who has been, is, or will be participating in the varsity athletic program. Such shall not be worn at any time in the school building, on the school grounds, during school hours, or at any function or place at which the school is officially represented or invited. The penalty shall be (at least) suspension from varsity athletic participation."

No further warnings for violations shall be issued.

Russell Rothermel, Athletic Director

JOHN ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

October 2	S. B. Riley	H
October 9	Ft. Wayne (S.S.)	T
October 15	Plymouth	T
October 22	Mishawaka	T
October 30	LaPorte	H
November 5	Michigan City	H

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