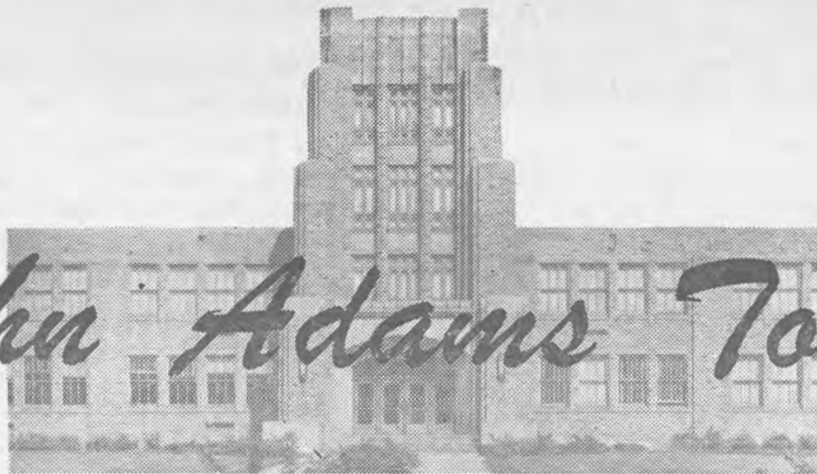


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United Nations Observer Speaks Here During U. N. Week

In an exclusive interview for the TOWER on Saturday, October 22, Miss Mabel Head, United Nations observer for the United Council of Church Women urged the American students to "learn to know the United Nations." She said that it is imperative for the youth of America to know the peoples of the world, the problems which the U.N. faces to get co-operation among nations.

Miss Head has had extensive experience in Y.W.C.A. work and she worked with the Cleveland Peace Committee. She was very active as a member of the Commission on a Just and Durable Peace. She has traveled in the Orient and Latin America.

In her interview, Miss Head stated that the organizations which churches are forming for teenagers, such as social and study groups, are doing a great deal to help mature the minds of youth. She stated that it's the mature people that will bring world peace.

Here for Institute

Miss Head was in South Bend for the international Relations Institute held on the 22nd of October. Three other outstanding speakers were also on the day's program.

The luncheon session at the Indiana Club was high-lighted by an address by Owen Lattimore, who spoke on "China and World Affairs." He based most of his points on the "white paper" as he told of the problems the Chinese were facing and how these problems are affecting the world. He said, "The most amazing thing about the Chinese Civil War is the ability of the Nationalist government to 'collapse'."

The Central High School auditorium was the scene of the afternoon session at which Miss Head and Dr. Vernon Nash, vice-president of World Federalists, Inc., spoke. Also on the afternoon program was a town meeting discussion very similar to those held in the assembly meeting of the U.N. During this discussion Miss Head blasted the largely female audience by saying, "Women have done very little in the United States since they were given equal political rights."

The Honorable Francis B. Sayre

NEW RED CROSS LEADERS



Left to right: Rosalie Fragomeni, secretary-treasurer; Bob Pfaff, president; Mary Swingendorf, vice-president.

BARCLAY TO COMPETE FOR NATIONAL TEAM

On October 9, Gordon Barclay won first place on the Northern Indiana team, which was composed of the top five men in this area, who played the southern men to determine Indiana's representatives for the table-tennis nationals held in Indianapolis later this month.

If Gordon wins a place on the national team, he will go to Europe near the end of December or the first of January. The team will tour Europe for about three months and then return to the states.

Ranks Ninth in Nation.

Right now Barclay is rated ninth in the United States, but only five Americans will make the trip, so Gordon has to really show them how the game is played in order to get that much-hoped-for trip to Europe.

Also at the same time, Gordon is preparing for the Inter-City meet, which is the biggest table tennis event around this locale, but foremost in his mind is keeping in prime condition for the even bigger national meet.

delivered the main address of the day at the evening session held in the Nuner School auditorium. Mr. Sayre is a representative of the United States on the Trusteeship Council of the U.N. He was formerly the Assistant Secretary of State and High Commissioner to the Philippine Islands.

Jr. Red Cross Holds Meeting for Benefit Of Non-Members

In an effort to acquaint more members of the student body with the activities of the Junior Red Cross a meeting to which interested students were invited, was held Wednesday, October 19. Bob Pfaff, the council president, was in charge of the meeting. Featured was a movie concerning the adventures of Junior Red Cross Representatives from schools in the midwest at the summer training center in Dowling, Michigan. The movie cited the many activities, scholastic and social, in which the students participated. Many of those attending the meeting were surprised to find such a large project under way. Beverly Morley, who attended the training center as a St. Joseph County and John Adams representative spoke on her summer experiences.

Miss Law, Adam's sponsor, introduced Miss Margaret Bergan, who is director of the Junior Red Cross of St. Joseph County this year. Miss Bergan is familiar to many Adams students from their acquaintance with her as a life guard at the South Bend Country Club pool. She exhibited projects of Junior Red Cross groups of our nation and overseas. Of interest to many were the albums made by students abroad, translated from their native language and sent to students in America in exchange for American Albums. This international friendship may one day be a valuable asset to world peace. In the meantime, there is much to be done here in our own country and you as students may do your part by enrolling as members of the Junior Red Cross. It's very simple and requires little effort on your part.

A slight donation will make you a member. This money will be used by the South Bend School City groups in completing their projects for the year. You may be interested to know that the John Adams group is the foremost one of the county. You by your financial assistance have made it a group of which to be proud, and it's you who can do it again this year during the Junior Red Cross drive for enrollment November 1-15.

Sue Smith, editor of the album has announced a surprise assembly on November 10. The purpose of the assembly is to open the period for album subscriptions.

PRODUCTS MADE IN ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASSES EXHIBITED

The show case of plastic articles in the main corridor features ice tongs, letter openers, pins, picture frames and numerous other articles made by the students of Mr. Dickey's Arts and Crafts classes.

Plastic comes in sheets of different thicknesses, square and round rods, and tubes. The first project that the students undertake teaches them to saw plastic. The article made is usually a zipper pull. The second project which is a little more difficult to make is a letter opener.

The most interesting project during the semester is the one where the plastic is drilled to represent flowers and the flowers are then colored. The art of learning to control the drill is the difficult part of this lesson. Mr. Dickey says, "You can put any design in plastic. It looks just like it is real except it doesn't have any bugs on it."

Students who are interested in seeing how these articles are made can arrange for a demonstration with Mr. Dickey. He told this reporter that he will be glad to show groups the "art."

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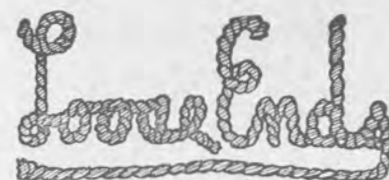
ONE-SIXTH OF STUDENT BODY GIVEN OPPORTUNITY FOR ACTIVE CHORAL WORK

The Glee Club has a limited membership because there are only 100 robes available, and the risers have a seating capacity of only 100. The management of the club attempts to select those who really want to be in the club for the purpose of understanding and enjoying the music.

During the tryouts the student's ability to blend with the group is considered; furthermore, his ability to sing with sincere feeling is judged. To assure complete fairness to those who are trying out, the students sing from behind a screen; therefore, the voice alone is considered by the judges.

Those trying out who have the native ability but not the polished training necessary are asked to continue with chorus classes with the idea that they will acquire the qualities they lack.

At the present time our Glee Club has a membership of 106 in a total school enrollment of 607 students. In the near future the school hopes to purchase more robes in order that more young people be able to sing.



After months of research, it has been discovered by Marty Weissert that Jack Troeker's middle name is Steiner. Don't feel bad, Jack. Beth Hodge has one, too. It is Middleton.

Not many of us have a talent such as Diane Stubbins. She plays the trumpet, french horn, piano and violin exceptionally well.

Most girls envy Shirley Callaway's charming disposition. She always has a lovely smile.

Sid Moore is also a lad who has a way of making the people around him feel happy.

We are proud of Jack Bussert who has won six out of eight track meets.

We are also proud that there are no football players carrying a football around. No one fumbled in the LaPorte game.

Is some of your hair missing? If so, it may be in Pat Sells' hair collection. She collects locks of hair as a hobby. She started this collection in the ninth grade and now has about thirty locks of hair.



What is most aggravating about boys?

Joan Grubbs—They're all alike.

Mary Mitschelen—Their lateness for dates.

Caron Kindig—Swearing.

Marilyn Delong—They are either too young or too old. Either too bashful or too bold.

Joyce Freehauf—When they are under 5'7".

Marilyn Johnson—They're always trying to give you a spanking.

Barbara Swank—Conceitedness.

Marcia Donoho—Their over-confidence.

Lee Hubbard—They like too many girls.

Phylliss McFarland—They think they are always right.

Why do you wait until school starts to do your assignments?

Su Hastings—If I wait until the last minute, I can get the latest Geometry solution.

Dick Peterson—So I won't have any books to take home at night.

Mary Ann Kenady—Me, I wait until school to do my homework? Please!

Phil Twigg—I'd rather have my spare time at home than at school.

Mary Claire Hennion—There are much more interesting things to do after school than homework.

Nancy Rogers—I guess maybe it's just the busy atmosphere around this place—school, that is.

Mary Demas—I don't; why work in study hall when I can talk?

Fred LaCrosse—I compromise, I do part of my studies in study hall and the balance at home.

Joan Tarr—The radio is too great a temptation to get anything done at home.

Rosemary Schubert—Homework requires concentration, and with the telephone around, who can concentrate?

Joann Rawles—I'm too busy after school with things more important.

Judy Campbell—The night before I start to do it, but before I'm halfway through it, Tomorrow's study hall is temptation for me to risk procrastination.

Judy Hershenow—I have to do it at home; there are too many other things to do in study hall (pueros spectro)).

Sue Robertson—Homework should be done in school in my estimation because there are other activities which should be done at home.

Jay Miller—The more you know, the more you forget, so why learn?

A person in biology class, in all seriousness, asked Miss Tash how red, blue and green chicks are hatched in an incubator.

Dick Koehler is one of the outstanding ushers of the Usher's Club. He has eighty merits in his junior year and that is a good record.

Ray Hoover and Walt Lantz took a trip to Indianapolis Sunday, October 16. The boys went through the War Memorial Building.

George Kazmierzak was injured during First Hour Gym Class. He hurt his shoulder and will be out of gym for a month. We hope you are well soon, George.

The Green Twins will be visiting DePauw University this weekend. They will be the guests of Janet Shulmier, who resides at Rector Hall.

Why Are You at Adams?

Did you ever, while resting or playing or working, stop and ask yourself what you are doing here at Adams? Have you ever wondered for what all these studies are preparing you? Too many young people find it difficult to answer these questions. Too many boys and girls do not know what is ahead for them after high school. Now is the time for you as a student to be planning for your career.

Your career begins in high school, when you plan your studies according to what you hope to accomplish later in life. Preparation for a career takes more than studying; it requires the will and the ability to work hard. Any goal worth reaching takes perseverance and faith in yourself.

If you are undecided about a career, ask yourself these questions: Is there a place for me in this profession? Will I enjoy this kind of work?

First there are the demands of the profession to consider; for instance, the fields of engineering law, journalism, and personnel work are very over-crowded while at the same time, there is a great demand for elementary teachers, physicians, health workers and social welfare workers.

Then consider whether or not you would like to do the same type of work for years. If you are really suited for your work, it will give you a great deal of pleasure.

Begin now to prepare yourself for future life by choosing your career and working toward it until you reach the top. --David James.

Lost: One Poor Reputation

Another football year is almost over. This year I think John Adams can be very proud not only of the team but of the improvement in school spirit. Don't forget the effort you put forth standing by the team in their games. Even if they didn't always win, they fought hard until the end of the game. Just because the football season is gone, let's not forget the school spirit we had.

Another big job is coming—basketball. Keep that school spirit and when you think you're yelling as loud as you can, yell a little louder. If every person does his best, we will have a cheering section our team will be proud of.

All the students want a football or basketball team which is good. Why not give them something in return for these teams? Why not give them a good cheering section? Let's give our boys a good one and in return, I'm sure they'll do their best to give us the kind of games we want.

Let's show the football team our appreciation for their fine job and at the same time wish the basketball team good luck through—our school spirit. --Johanna Jaffee.

School Organizations Are for YOU

Are YOU "for" Them?

Tuberculosis Ass'n Names 'Alertness' as White Plague Weapon

Every year about this time the National Tuberculosis Association conducts a drive to make people more aware of this dread disease. Since one of the main purposes of the association is to educate people about T.B., this organization has taken upon itself to inform everyone that the cause of Tuberculosis is known, the mode of transmission is recognized, and that if the disease is diagnosed in time it may be cured.

Tuberculosis kills more young people between the ages of 15 and 34 than any other disease; all told 50,000 Americans a year. It is estimated that half a million people have active T.B. today and that they are capable of transmitting it to others.

It is possible for this disease to be completely wiped out if people take the interest to alert themselves for any signs of its presence in seemingly healthy individuals, according to leading health authorities. Immediate diagnosis and treatment are two of the most important weapons in the fight against Tuberculosis.



Our Miss Brooks—Miss Kaczmarek

The Fat Man—Jim Considine.
Red Skelton—Paul Green
Behind the Story—Tower staff
Meet Corliss Archer — Beth Smithberger

Duffy's Tavern—Brownie's
Snack Bar

Grand Central Station—the hall at the foot of the main stairway
Hedda Hopper—Rosie Fragomeni
Camel Caravan—boiler room
Break the Bank—Mr. Sargent
Sam Spade—Mr. Crowe
Make Way for Youth—3:30 bell
One Man's Family—Rogers

brothers

Perry Como—Bob Pfaff
My Friend Irma—Jayne Davis
Coast Guard—Hall Duty
Grand Old Opry—Glee Club
Gang Busters—Mr. Rothermel
Court of Human Relations—Miss Burns' office

Inner Sanctum—Chemistry lab
Crime Photographer—Mr. McNamara

Suspense—poor work slips
Beulah—Charlotte Moxley

TEACHERS ATTEND

N. C. I. T. A. CONVENTION

The North Central Indiana Teachers' Association Convention was held Thursday and Friday, October 27 and 28.

John Adams was the scene for the opening session on Thursday morning. From this time until late Friday the members attended meetings, luncheons, dinners and various exhibits.

Many prominent speakers attended the convention. Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, Pastor of Christ Church, New York City, spoke on "Europe's Future and You." Mr. Leland Stowe, journalist, lecturer, and radio commentator, spoke at the Indianapolis meeting Friday evening.

A choir of 550 students under the direction of Dr. Wilfred Bain of Indiana University presented a program for the meeting here in the Adams auditorium Thursday evening. Together with this music was a study of prominent musicals of the last century presented by Eleanor Sikes Peters and Mrs. Charles D. Sneller.

Boland on Sports—Bartol on sports

News—Social Living

Mr. Keen, Tracer of Lost Persons

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The Saint—Bill Elbel

The Contented Hour—study hall

Young Love—Donna Leng and

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In spite of her short legs and tiny hands, little Carole holds her position out in front of the marching

band. She twirls her baton like a veteran—but what is more amazing, on those rare occasions when the baton slips from her hands, she accepts the fact with a cute little grin and, refusing to quit, twirls better than before.

Carole, once on the football field with the rest of the band, refuses to accept the fact that being a majorette is a hard job for a little girl. She finishes what she started out to do without hesitation.

Let's hope that we Adamites live up to the standard set by our tiny mascot.

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Determined Eagles Give But Two To Wildcats

Riley was a tough team and a good team, looking better than any team Adams had previously played. In spite of the many handicaps of the Eagles, they refused to give up. They fought hard to the final gun. The game was good, but would have been better had Adams showed a little more of the drive in the first half that they did in the second. However, Adams was not beaten, nor whipped, nor defeated. They just lost another game. This same Riley eleven hit Central for three touchdowns, and yet they could score no more than two against the Eagles. Adams lost to the team that is tops in the conference. Several Adams players were not quite up to par and yet others played spectacular football. Bill Weatherly made many of the decisive tackles of the game, while Troeger, Richards, Wright and Bolisky played equally well. Calloway and Stanton were always on their toes, as were the Grafs Shafer, Downer, Million, Bennett, Dickenson, Kelly, Rodgers, Daugherty, Nordblatt nad Lahey. Tomorrow night, the Eagles will be up against South Side of Fort Wayne. This should be a rough one.

"C" TEAM BEGINS BASKETBALL PRACTICE

Those brave boys of the "C" basketball team have again started practicing at 7:00 in the morning, rain or shine, blizzard or tornado. The purpose of the "C" team is to make it possible for more boys to play basketball who are not able to make the varsity or "B" teams. The fact that a boy is on the "C" team indicates by no means that he is to remain there. If, by chance, he shows marked improvement through the year, he will be elevated to the "B" or varsity teams. Last year a number of boys played on the "C" team who reached the "B" team and some are trying for the varsity of this year. The "C" team will probably consist of soph-

FOOTBALL TEAM



BY LINES --- by Bartol

Final Game Tomorrow

Tomorrow night will bring about the final football game of this 1949 season probably the best season for football in the history of the school. Saturday, Adams will be battling South Side High School of Fort Wayne. Playing the kind of ball they have for their last three games, the Eagles should be able to win, but not without a struggle. Adams earlier lost to North Side of Fort Wayne, who several weeks ago was defeated by South Side, 14-13. In addition to this South Side is rated number fourteen in the state. So far this year they have an excellent record, except for the drubbing they suffered at the hands of Michigan City. Taking everything into consideration, this should be

omores. The "C" team has a great deal to do with building future Adams teams. Mr. Nelson is again the coach. The team will have approximately twelve games to play this year, at Adams and away.

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another thriller as Adams plays host to the Tigers.

The Feminine Angle

This week something new has been added to the sports page. Instead of having a man's opinion on the game tomorrow night, we have the prediction of a woman. The woman is Mrs. Hazel McClure, an ardent enthusiast of Adams football. She has this to say about the coming Saturday game. "If the boys play as well as they have in the three games previous to this, I think we can win. Let's hope so."

ATTENTION—ALL STUDENTS!

Since the game tomorrow night is the last game of the football year, let's have every student turn out to spur the team on.

The football team has made a

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Adams Places Sixth In Section Meet

In this year's state sectional meet, Adams place sixth with 168 points. Jack Bussert placed second and earned himself the right to compete in the state meet. Mathews of Central placed first. McCoy of Riley finished fifth. Mishawaka won the meet with only 34 points. The teams and their points in this cross country sectional are: Mishawaka, 34; LaPorte, 78; Central, 89; Elkhart, 142; Riley, 153; Adams, 168; Goshen, 173; Washington, 210; Washington-Clay, 223; Rochester, 283; Bluffton, 299; LaCrosse, 310; Pulaski, 333; Delphi, 391.

ATTENTION ALL BOYS INTERESTED IN BEING A BASKETBALL MANAGER

All sophomores interested in being a basketball manager are welcomed to come and try out immediately. The job of manager provides many interesting experience, and includes taking trips with the team. The only qualifications for this job are to be honest, dependable, willing, and have passing grades. If you are interested, please see one of the senior managers, Elliott Weinburg or Carl Blechschmidt in the varsity basketball dressing room any night at 3:30 p.m.

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