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ADAM'S EAGLES FACE MARIAN KNIGHTS TONIGHT

The 1971 John Adams football team will put their eight game winning streak on the line tonight as they try to avenge last year's only setback to the Marian Knight's.

Coach Bob Wilbur, now in his fourth season as head coach, and his squad will have great difficulty in defending their share of the Northern Indiana Conference title because this year the Eagles must face the Elkhart Blue Blazers, the state's number one ranked team.

Coach Wilbur and his assistants Len Buczkowski, Howard Hartman, Mike Szucs, Moe Aronson and Joe Haag will try to spread their thirteen returning lettermen and their

experience through the remainder of the squad to mold the team into one with the confidence of last year's team. Leading the crop of lettermen will be quad-captains Eugene Russell, Craig Walter, Ike Whitlock and Bob Batteast. Other lettermen include probable quarterback Joe Fragomeni, all conference tight end Les Woodford, Tony Fleming, Larry Zurat, Tim Gagen, Gene Vargo, Kevin Patterson, Rick Balok and Ray Martin. Ray Anderson who lettered at Clay last year will also be of help to the Eagle backfield. Most positions as of this date are uncertain but it is definite that many of the players will have to play both offensively and defensively.

Injuries have hampered early practice sessions but by opening game the Eagles are expected to be at full strength. Les Woodford was held from practice because of a knee operation last winter. Kevin Patterson did not practice because of a separated left shoulder, and Tim Gagen missed two weeks of practice due to a sprained knee. If all is well by the Marian game, the Eagles should have a good running game from Chubby Phillips, Ray Anderson, Eugene Russell and Joe Fragomeni. Fragomeni should be passing to his running backs plus such fine receivers as Tony Fleming, Les Woodford and Bob Batteast.

The 1971 campaign is different

from others in that this is only an eight game season with six of these eight being Northern Indiana Conference games. Shelbyville is a new addition to the Eagle schedule of 1971.

B-Team and Freshmen Football

The B-team will be coached by Len Buczkowski and they will have an eight game schedule with only underclassmen who do not start for the varsity being eligible to play. All games are played on Mondays at 4:15.

The freshmen team will be coached by Moe Aronson with assistance from Joe Haag. The frosh will also play eight games with their games scheduled on Thursdays at 4:15.

The freshmen and B-team play an important part, not only in conditioning the varsity but in planning for the future. All coaches try to establish a certain amount of Eagle pride in everyone they see.

Without question the toughest opponent will be Elkhart with probable scares from LaPorte, Riley and Washington. If all goes well, Coach Wilbur should have his 4th consecutive winning season.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 10	Marian	Here
Sept. 17	Mishawaka	There
Sept. 14	LaPorte	There
Oct. 1	Elkhart	There
Oct. 8	Michigan City	Here
Oct. 15	Washington	Here
Oct. 22	Riley	There
Oct. 30	Shelbyville	Here



Adams Football Coaches, left to right; Len Buczkowski, Mike Szucs, Howard Hardman, and Bob Wilbur.

B-TEAM & FRESHMAN SCHEDULE

Sept. 13	Mishawaka	There
Sept. 20	LaSalle	There
Sept. 27	LaPorte	Here
Oct. 4	Washington	Here
Oct. 11	Elkhart	There
Oct. 18	Riley	There
Oct. 25	Michigan City	Here
Nov. 1	St. Joseph	Here
Sept. 9	St. Joseph	Here
Sept. 16	Marian	There
Sept. 23	Clay	Here
Sept. 30	Central	There
Oct. 14	Jackson	Here
Oct. 21	Washington	There
Oct. 28	Mishawaka	Here
Nov. 4	Riley	There



Ray Martin, Ralph Anderson, Joe Fragomeni, Chubby Phillips, and Tony Fleming.



Bob Batteast, Ike Whitlock, Tim Gagen, and Eugene Russell.

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Editorial . . .

Back to School

It's that time of year again when every student reluctantly sets aside the memories of summer - travelling, camping, meeting new people, even working - for the daily grind of school, right? Not exactly. Much as some kids hate to admit, there really is a feeling of excitement in getting back, even if it lasts just a few days. But more important than a change in routine and seeing old friends again is the necessity to start off on the right foot, not only in studies but in other activities of school.

This year, we hope for more student participation (in this case) for the Tower. In an effort to please the students, we will try to

institute new columns, but more important are suggestions and materials submitted by the students for use by the paper. The Tower has many critics but few kids who are willing to come up with better ideas. Extra-curricular activities are not around just for entertainment, but need support in order to accomplish their purposes.

But enough of this lecturing, we're all starting a new school year with many resolutions and we hope that this year will bring several changes. At any rate, we hope to see improvements in many aspects at John Adams through the greater interest and participation by the students.

Kathe Brady
Alicia Byers

Student Council!

Will it Survive?

"The Student Council cannot function effectively, due to the apathetic attitude of the student body..." Until this past summer this was the excuse used for why the Student Council has been an absolute flop in the last couple years.

At the N.A.S.C. Conference in Burlington, Vermont, I learned different. Kent Kieth, author of THE SILENT MAJORITY and THE SILENT REVOLUTION, spoke on his latest book, THE SILENT MAJORITY. I learned there was no such thing as an apathetic student body--that no one is completely apathetic--that students are simply apathetic about some things and highly interested in others.

We speak of apathy as being the failure of the student body to appreciate or participate in what the Student Council is doing. But the Student Council's purpose is to REPRESENT, not to regulate, the student body. Therefore, leadership must be two-way. Apathy is thus a problem of the relevance of the Student Council. If the student body does not find the work of the Student Council interesting, it is simply the fault of the Student Council. This does not mean that the Student Council is just an applause meter doing whatever the student body wants. But the Student Council must formulate new proposals and provide direction in the areas of student interest.

To become relevant, every student organization has to go out into the school community and get to know people unlike themselves, becoming conscious of the failing and the uninvolved student, and finding out why and what can be done to gain that student's interest.

Recently the Student Council has ignored an important sector of the school community . . . "The Silent Majority". The silent majority is the unreached student, and the unreached are unknown to most Student Councils. They come late to school, wander through the halls, and wander through the school day wondering why teachers are saying what they are, or more to the point . . . wondering what interesting things may happen after school. A good many of the unreached make good grades, but they don't know what it's all for. Many more of the unreached do not. It would be nice to make good grades, but that takes brilliance, which many of the unreached are convinced they do not have. Yes, the majority of the student body remains silent, unreached by teachers and fellow students, existing only by looking forward to their own pleasures and interest after the bell rings and before it rings again.

The Student Council's goal for this year will be to fully represent the student body, to go from an indifferent, ineffective, one-sided club wasting time devising ways of changing policies, (which has been the promise of most Student Councils presidents) and at the same time becoming a bad word to the student body and its members, and ignoring the most important of all, relations within the school community, to a People conscious organization devising ways to improve relations within the school community, and become a service to the community. The 71-72 Student Council officers are looking forward to a successful year and are fighting for 100% participation of the student body.

Phillip Moore
Student Council President

From Sept. 24, 1954

. . .and Old

New Teachers



Along with the many new students at Adams this year, we also have four new members added to our teaching staff. Pictured above, left to right, are the new faculty members: Mr. William Brady, Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt, Mr. James Herendeen, and Mr. Fred Schwanz.

New Teachers

Eighteen teachers new to Adams, all enthusiastic and eager, will brighten things up on the school scene. For many of these eighteen, this is their first teaching assignment, so they are admittedly a little nervous, but one look at all the great Adams kids should dispel any doubts they might have.

On one particular Thursday afternoon, a Tower reporter or two went strolling along in the halls occasionally stopping to talk to a new teacher. Of course, all were hard at work behind desks making lists or plans, scrubbing desks and tables, or gathering books. Nonetheless, all responded eagerly to the questions asked.

Mrs. Brown, from Rochester, Indiana, will be teaching Introduction to Business and Business Relations. She attended Ball State. At first she was on the secretarial program but she decided she wanted something more. So to share her love for the business field, she went on to become a teacher. Mrs. Brown says it's exciting to teach students with an interest in the subject.

Spanish students are privileged to have Mrs. Aguero at Adams. From Cuba, Mrs. Aguero will teach her students Spanish with her true accent. Before coming to the United States eleven years ago when Castro took over, she taught English at night to adults. Mrs. Aguero has taught for five years at Marian. She has spent one and a half months in Spain in addition to several months in Mexico and Puerto Rico. She replaces Mrs. Azenar in the Spanish Department.

A pretty face will brighten up Room 208 this year. Mrs. Kaser who was married Saturday, August

28, will start her teaching career and married life at the same time. She was busily scrubbing all the tables and desks Thursday afternoon. Her next project is to brighten up the depressing room. She is from Parma, Ohio, and graduated from Purdue. She will be teaching Honors and regular Chemistry I.

Mrs. Smith is very glad to be back at Adams after her absence of two years. She says Adams is an excellent school. Her first year in California she substituted in Palo Alto High Schools. The following year she was chairman of the English Department of an all-girls school. Mrs. Smith is looking forward to this year. She thinks the new system is great and is going to be a lot of fun. Welcome back!

Rounding out the new English staff are M. Francis, Mr. Haag and M. Kollar.

Filling the vacancy in the biology department due to the retirement of Mr. Martin is Mr. Smith. Originally from Iowa, he received his diploma from the University of Evansville. Prior to coming to Adams he taught at Jackson for two years where he was also Assistant Swimming Coach. He came to Adams to be the new swimming coach. Good luck, Mr. Smith

The math department has two new teachers, Mrs. Warren and Mr. Von Shrlitz.

Completing the list of new teachers are M. Bergwall, Mr. Blauvelt P.E., Miss Brown Librarian, Mr. Brecheisen Drafting, Mr. Greenshides Orchestra, M. Sakaguchi Foods, Mr. Williams Auto Mechanics, M. Zorns Clothing! Welcome!

Football Memorabilia

School Song

Go, Adams, Go
Go, Adams, Go!
Hit 'em high
Hit 'em low
Go, Adams, Go!

All hail to the Scarlet and Blue!
To you we are loyal and true!
We're cheering your name,
As we fight on to fame,
And the Eagles go flying through!
(Rah, rah!)
There's no time for rest, Adams High!
Keep doing your best, Adams High!
So fight 'til the job is done,
And fight 'til the team has won,
A victory for you, Adams High!

FOOTBALL

Riley B Team
vs
John Adams Varsity
School Field
Oct. 12, 1940 2 P.M.
Admission 15 cents

FOOTBALL

Washington B Team
vs
John Adams Varsity
School Field
Nov. 2, 1940 2 P.M.
Admission 15 cents

Kable from a Kounselor

This year students will find a new look upon entering the Guidance offices. In the enlarged Reception Room, students will find college catalogs, occupational information, and other materials for their use. Students will find the old Counselors Mr. Rensberg, Mr. Cordell, Mr. David, and Mr. Benko are back; but, check they might be in a different office. A new counselor, Mrs. Karin Bergwall, has joined the staff this year from LaSalle High School. The Guidance Secretary, Mrs. Muessel is back and in a new office this year. Please check in with Mrs. Muessel when you enter the Guidance office.

As you know by now, students were divided up by homerooms; therefore, counselors have Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors. Check with your homeroom teacher to find out who your Counselor is this year.

If you have tried to change your program you have found out that you can't. Counselors are working at leveling classes and correcting Programs that have mistakes. For those students who want a program change, an add/drop day has been added. Add/drop

day gives students a chance to change schedules - as long as it does not mean rebuilding the whole schedule. In other words, if you drop a third hour class you must pick up a third hour class, etc...

To change a program a student must: 1. Pick up a change slip from his homeroom teacher. 2. Get the signature of the teacher of the class he has dropped. 3. Get the signature of the teacher of the class he wants to add. 4. Take the slip back to the homeroom teacher. 5. Then wait till guidance office makes the change official.

Add/drop day starts on Monday, September 13 during homeroom. To make it work smoothly, each class gets one day. The schedule is as follows:

Seniors: homeroom Sept. 13
 homeroom Sept. 14
Juniors: homeroom Sept. 15 to
 homeroom Sept. 15
Sophomores: homeroom Sept. 15
 to homeroom Sept. 16
Freshmen: homeroom Sept. 16 to
 homeroom Sept. 17
Homeroom teachers will be able to answer all questions concerning add/drop day.

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FALL SPORTS SEASON LOOKS GOOD FOR EAGLES

Harriers lose and tie in opener

John Heisler

Although the Adams cross country squad failed to post a victory in its initial meet, the team did display an abundance of youth and potential. The Eagle opener was a triangular affair held at Potawatomini on September 2 as Bremen and St. Joe provided the opposition. Coach Poe's men managed to tie Bremen 28-28, but they were nipped by the Indians by a single point 28-29. St. Joe's Brian Canfield was the winner in a time of 10:32 as Adams' Pat Daniels came in third at 10:52. Daniels set a blistering pace with a 5:04

first mile, but he could not hold onto the lead.

This year Coach Poe is working with a number of runners who also figure in plans for future years. The only graduating members of the 1971 squad will be Elmer Robertson and Tom Pawlak, as opposed to last year's senior-dominated club. Other members of the Eagle delegation for '71 include Mark Lynch, John Kujawski, Jim Lindzy, Mark DeVlieger and Tom Pawlak's younger brother, Dave.



From the editor

by Karl Heinz

The 1971-72 sport season will be a challenge to the Eagle athletes if they intend to let the all-NIC sports trophy remain at Adams for the third year in a row. The freshmen must learn that they too can play an important role in keeping this trophy.

The fall sport teams have been practicing for three weeks now and they are eager to begin their seasons. The football team must try to defend their title with six conference games, while the tennis team is favored to win the NIC, they must win six matches to achieve this goal. The cross country team should also do well with four experienced lettermen on the squad. Coaches Poe, McNarney and Wilbur all are hoping for conference championships with Elkhart being the main target of each coach.

Tonight's football game with Marian although it is not an NIC game is quite important to the players. They have an opportunity to halt the area's longest win streak as well as giving themselves the satisfaction of defeating an always strong football team. It is my belief that tonight the Eagles will defeat Marian because the seniors on the squad have never beaten a Marian team and this game would make the wait worthwhile. As freshmen, the class of '72 lost to Marian in the St. Joe Valley championship and as sophomores and juniors these players were beaten in their opening game.

Fight Song

Oh, oh the Adams Eagles have got that fight,
They've got that special fight that's out of sight,
They've got that spirit, drive, ability
And everywhere they go they leave another victory,
There's not a team that can compare
We know our fighting men are really rare
So let us cheer them on and show our pride, the Eagle drive
Fighting men of Adams Senior High

Netters look for undefeated year

Karl Heinz

The 1971 tennis team is one of the strongest ever at John Adams and second year coach John McNarney has set their goals at the top. The goals of this year's team are to go through their twelve dual meets without a loss, to win the Northern Indiana Conference and sweep the five singles matches in the NIC tournament. At the end of the season the Eagles should be favored to win the Sectional and advance some people to the regional tournament in Gary.

This year's team will be led by last year's MVP Steve True, freshman Chris Fallon, and senior Pat Megan, Karl Heinz and Alan Hoenk. These players should make up the varsity with Roger Heise, Terry Fallon, Tom Brickley, Bill Marentette, Scott McKee, Sid Price, Kurt Kolesar and Gordon

Schwartz competing on the reverse team.

The Eagles are respected by all teams in the NIC because of their summer play. True won the High School Open tournament as well as high finishes in tournaments in the South. Chris Fallon competed in the National's for the 14 and under and he also finished second in a tournament at Hinsdale, Illinois. Adams was also the winner of the summer tennis league at Leeper Park.

The Netters will be trying to improve on the 7-4 record of one year ago. Assisting Coach McNarney will be the new ticket manager Mike Allen. All of the goals set at the outset of the campaign should be met unless the rugged schedule gets to the players along with over confidence.



CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

Sept. 2	Bremen	Here
Sept. 7	St. Joseph	Here
Sept. 14	Jimtown	at Penn
Sept. 16	Riley	There
Sept. 21	Niles	at Clay
Sept. 22	New Prairie Inv.	
Sept. 23	Mishawaka	at La Porte
Sept. 28	LaSalle	There
Sept. 30	Michigan City	Here
Oct. 5	Jackson	There
Oct. 7	Washington	at Elkhart
Oct. 12	City	at Erskine
Oct. 15	Sectional	at Erskine
Oct. 19	LaPorte Invitational	
Oct. 23	Regional	at LaPorte
Oct. 30	State	

TENNIS SCHEDULE

Sept. 8	Jimtown	Leeper
Sept. 13	Bremen	There
Sept. 14	Washington	There
Sept. 15	Jackson	Leeper
Sept. 16	Michigan City	There
Sept. 18	N.I.C. Singles	Leeper
Sept. 20	Clay	Leeper
Sept. 21	Elkhart	Leeper
Sept. 22	Plymouth	There
Sept. 23	Mishawaka	Leeper
Sept. 28	Riley	Leeper
Sept. 29	Sectional	
Sept. 30	Sectional	
Oct. 1	Sectional	Leeper
Oct. 7	LaPorte	There
Oct. 9	Regional	Gary Mann
Oct. 16	State	Indianapolis

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