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Seniors Score High

Fifteen Students Commended

Five Receive Top Honors

By Gina Kreisle

John Adams has five semi-finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Foundation Competition. They are Anne Bonewicz, George Ford, Dave McKinney, John Heisler, and Kathy Green.

Anne is undecided as to where she will attend college next year, but special education is a field of great interest to her, and she wants to major in it. Presently she is in Drama Club and Thespians.

Ohio Wesleyan is the college George Ford wishes to attend, but he is undecided on his major. He plays the bass in a band during his spare time. He also likes to swim.

Dave McKinney plans to attend Miami of Ohio next September after he graduates. He plans to pursue studies in pre-law. He is a ski enthusiast and is an active member of the Adams Ski Club.

John plans to major in journalism at Indiana University in Bloomington next year. He is presently the Tower Sports Editor, involved in Student Council, a member of the Monogram Club, and the varsity basketball statistician and manager. He is also taking a math course at I.U.S.B. this semester for advanced college credit.

Indiana University at Bloomington is also the college choice of Kathy Green. Kathy is interested

in the biological sciences, but has not yet decided on a definite course of study. She is one of the feature editors of The Tower, and is a member of the Ski Club. She is also taking courses here for advanced credit.

The National Merit Scholarships are available only for seniors who plan to go to college, and who receive the top scores on the PSAT/NMSQT test taken in October of their junior year. Each state has a certain number of semi-finalists based on percentage. The semi-finalists are notified in September of their senior year, and then send their scores from the SAT test and the semi-finalist form in, and by May they are notified if they are finalists. If their SAT scores are equal or better than their previous scores, their chances are good of receiving a scholarship.

The finalists either receive a scholarship or a Certificate of Merit. This certificate is helpful in getting into college. 96% of the semifinalists become finalists, and 20% of the finalists receive scholarships. This scholarship is based on academic achievement, but financial need is also taken into consideration.

Congratulations and good luck to Adams five semi-finalists. And good luck to all juniors who will be taking the test later this month.

In addition to the 15,000 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists, the National Merit Corporation also names 37,000 Commended Scholars who scored just below the Semifinalist qualifying mark. These students represent the top five percent of over one million students who took the test last October. The Commended Scholars of John Adams are Linda Abrahams, Craig Anderson, Ellen Bencsics, Federic Kopec, Regina Kreisle, Mark Lynch, Any Moriarty, Sue Ellen Sinkiewicz, Janet Steinmetz, Ruth Szymkowitz, and David Van Ryn. Patricia Buslee, who moved to Colorado last January, was also named.

Although these students are not eligible for any National Merit Scholarships, their names are sent to all accredited universities throughout the country and to many scholarship commissions as well.

The National Merit Corporation also offers a National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students. Linda Ashe, Roderick Johnson, and Catherine Scott were named Achievement Commended Students from the 1,900 selected.

Linda Abrahams is News Editor of the TOWER, a member of the I.U.S.B. Orchestra, and a member of the Concert Choir. She is also very active in Drama Club and Thespians. She plans to attend I.U. at Bloomington, majoring in chemistry.

Craig Anderson is planning to focus his attention on math and science at Purdue. He is a member of both the Chess Club and Mu Alpha Theta.

Linda Ashe hopes to study elementary education and sociology at Aurora College in Aurora, Ill. She hopes to eventually earn a Law Degree. Besides being a member of Drama Club and Thespians, she also does volunteer work at the Democratic Headquarters and is going to Cadet Teach at O'Brien School, working with deaf children.

Ellen Bencsics plays the flute in the band and orchestra, and gives private flute lessons in her spare time. She also is president of the band. Ellen plans to major in music at DePauw University.

Rod Johnson occupies his free time by working after school. He is presently undecided about a college or his major.

Fred Kopec is interested in becoming a doctor, taking his pre-med and medical courses at I.U. Bloomington. He is planning on taking either research or emergency medicine.

Regina Kreisle is a writer for the TOWER, treasurer of Drama



Commended scholars, left row from bottom to top, L. Abrahams, E. Bencsics, G. Kreisle, R. Szymkowitz, S. Sinkiewicz; L. Ashe, middle row, D. Van Ryn, F. Kopec, Right row from top to bottom, R. Johnson, C. Anderson, A. Moriarty.

Photo/Rick Ball

Club, and a member of Thespians. She is also a member of Mu Alpha Theta. Later this year she will be Cadet Teaching at Edison. She plans to go to Kalamazoo College and major in math.

Ayn Moriarty is Editor-in-chief of the TOWER, and a member of concert choir. As vice-president of Thespians she is an active participant in the drama department. She is presently taking

botany at IUSB and plans to continue in biology at Notre Dame.

Cathy Scott is the captain of the pom-pom squad. She plans to attend Tennessee State majoring in English and Spanish.

Sue Ellen Sinkiewicz is copy editor of the TOWER. She is a member of concert choir, Mu Alpha Theta, and biology club. As of yet she is undecided in determining her college or major.

Forensic Clinic Success

By Carol Heisler

North Liberty High School was the scene of a Forensic Clinic last Saturday, September 23. It was an all-day affair loaded with local talent. There were three area high schools participating - North Liberty, Washington, and Adams. Approximately twelve students were present to represent each school.

The day was filled with challenges, work, fun, and laughter for all the participants. The competition was divided into sessions, each with a first judgement, second judgement, and finals. The competitions were narrowed down after each judgment so only four or five people would be competing in the finals. The lucky person to win the finals in each event would perform before all the people involved in the clinic. Trophies, sponsored by Washington High School, were presented to the winners.

There were four categories where talent was present-

ed: 1) dramatic interpretation 2) humorous interpretation 3) story telling 4) and poetic interpretation. John Adams was honored to have Mr. and Mrs. Weiler, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Drapek serve as judges for the competition. The participants efforts were certainly not in vain for Adams winning both first and second in dramatic interpretation, and finishing one, two, three in poetic interpretation. Top honors in dramatic interpretation went to Mindy Miller with Colette Morfoot placing second. Valerie Golden placed first in poetry, with Allen Rothballer and Mindy Miller the runners-up.

There will be more Forensic Clinics in the future with the hopes of progressing from the local level to state and national, and finally awarding scholarships to the most deserving participants. Anyone who is interested in this phase of dramatics, and who would like to participate in future clinics or the one-act play festival should contact Mrs. Weiler.



Discussing future college plans are from top left and counter-clockwise, D. McKinney, K. Green, J. Heisler, and H. Banewicz. Missing from the picture is G. Ford.

Are Academics Ignored?

It is rather ironical to view the educational system in action during our lives. Why are we at school? Theoretically, we attend school to enrich our minds, develop our thinking, and learn to "grow up." But this type of education is not seen on the High School level.

Any person that succeeds in academics is unbelievably unequivocal to what they should be.

Why is it that there are sports awards for athletes who do outstanding performances, yet students who are National Merit Semi-finalists (of which Adams has five), get to shake hands with Mr. Przybysz and MAYBE get their pictures in the TOWER. The emphasis seems to be on the wrong activity.

Students who work four years to procure good grades get their names posted on MIMEOGRAPH sheets on a bulletin board outside the principals office...ath-

letes have guardian eagles and pep assemblies.

Why are these sports awards banquets and not academic awards banquets? (There once was an honors banquet for students with a 4.0 average throughout the year, but for some reason was dropped.)

Why is the purpose of school EDUCATION, but extra-curricular activities have more importance in the minds of the students? Perhaps this turn of academics is because an effort is made to recognize the attempts of the members.

It is time to look at schooling when effort is paid off with a mimeograph sheet and concern ends with the frustration of a job well done, deemed worthless by non-reaction. No wonder that there is a lack of pursuit of knowledge. While education is still based on competition, there MUST be an incentive to learn, and a reward for doing so.

Ayn Moriarty

ND Football TB Cross Sales

The Jr. Board of the Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Assoc., is sponsoring its annual Health Cross Pin Sale at the first two games of the Notre Dame football team, September 30th and October 14th. This year boys as well as girls are urged to join in the Campaign against emphysema, tuberculosis, and air pollution.

There is a \$5.00 prize for the person collecting the most money and a \$3.00 prize for second place. Each person on the winning team receives a \$1.00 prize. Teams are made up of 10 or less persons and prizes are given on a per capita basis. There is no limit to the number of teams from any school.

Persons selling the little double-barred cross pins will meet at the Notre Dame Stadium opposite gate 10, in the Red Field West parking lot, at 12 noon on September 30 and October 14. A car with the trunk up and a Double Barred Cross Banner will be headquarters for distributing health cross pins, and instructions.

Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase a pool table for TB patients at Healthwin, research and training in other respiratory diseases, and health education projects in schools.

For further information, phone the TB/RD office - 287-2321.

Stan Kenton

Clinic successful

Several hundred students from various high schools, including the John Adams Lab Band in the South Bend Community School Corporation gathered at IUSB to here a mini concert and jazz clinic put on by the Stan Kenton Orchestra.

Stan Kenton who normally heads the jazz band was replaced by Ken Hanna after he was stricken with a ruptured vein in his abdomen while playing an engagement at Disneyland.

Ken Hanna who has worked with the band for almost 30 years led the band in several pieces of jazz music including Girl Talk, Mac Arthur Park and Green Dolphin Street.

The concert was followed by a lecture on the basics of jazz improvisations. At the end of the lecture students were divided up into groups according to the instruments they played.



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Beyond Our Control

Yes! Once again it is time for those merry minstrels of mirth from WJA-TV to mingle their macabre, misconstrued and mischievous miscellany to manufacture the NOT misnamed "Beyond Our Control." (Note said Alliteration. And you said we don't have any culture!)

On September 28, 1972, some twentyfive odd warm bodies occupied the Junior Achievement Center on Louise Street. By the end of May, the above unnamed will have produced thirteen half-hour television parody shows.

Only seven of those twenty-five people are returning from last years' company, which means that for the first few months very few members will know what is going on. (As if we ever know what is going on.) However, through training sessions, screaming and thirty three bottles of tranquilizers, it is possible we will pull it off.

Many of the groups stayed at IUSB, others came to John Adams where they had lectures on the philosophy of jazz. Some of the points touched on during this lecture were trying to make jazz reflect your personality and how to make job contacts in the professional world.

The Stan Kenton Orchestra is indeed one of the rare musical groups in the world.

by John Goodson

Adam's contribution to this years' menagerie (I forgot that one in the first round) include two sophomores and a junior - gentlemen and lady respectively. Tim Hanlon, magician and sometimes artist is one guy, and Erik Tweedell, jack-of-all-trades and sometimes swimmer is the other. The Female Junior is Kathi Kimbriel, who writes these strange articles at two o'clock in the morning because she hasn't anything better to do.

To bore you with the time-consuming details of our first meeting (dirty jokes, people snoring and falling off chairs and such) is largely a waste of time, but I do hope (without getting a very unreasonable 200 lb. tackle to threaten you) that you will glance at these articles in future issues and perhaps, JUST PERHAPS, tune us in around January.

Kathi Kimbriel

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ACTION Now!

ACTION answers questions

To cope with student problems and questions, the TOWER will soon publish a new column, ACTION, or Agency to Communicate TOWER'S Investigations Of Nuisances. If response warrants, a staff will be established to investigate the questions posed by students in need of action. All questions will be published unless volume exceeds space. In order to actively work on your problem, we must have your name, but anyone can request to remain anonymous. To get this project off its feet, and to test the ability of your TOWER staff, submit your questions to the TOWER office, where a box will be provided.

Kables From The Kounselors

College Visits:
Oct. 10-Franklin, St. Joseph
Oct. 11-Hope, DePauw

Keep checking the guidance office to know if any others are coming soon. Remember to get an admit from the Guidance Office to attend.

Senior boys who are interested in R.O.T.C. programs should check in the Guidance Office for scholarship information. Deadlines are fast approaching for applications. These programs are very valuable and, if you qualify, could pay your entire college expense.

JUNIORS: PSAT/NMSQT test registration for juniors should be done now. The test will be given on a first come-first serve basis.

ND Concerts Scheduled

Five concerts have been scheduled for Notre Dame's Athletic and Convocation Center this fall. The first, featuring Chicago, was held September 30. Guess Who will be appearing on October 14, Henry Mancini on October 20, Stephen Stills on October 27, and Yes on November 18. Ticket sale dates will be announced. For further information, call the Notre Dame ticket office at 283-7354.

Stu Dolde.



CHICAGO, a pop-rock band which has had several hit records, tore into their top numbers, "Make Me Smile," "Color My World," their current single "Saturday in the Park," and others in front of a sellout crowd last Friday night at Notre Dame's ACC.

The concert was highlighted with the talents of Pete Cetera on electric bass, Jerry Kath on guitar, Robert Lamm, on keyboard, and Danny Seraphine's dynamite drum solo.

Rounding out the group are Lee Loughlane - trumpet, Walter Parazider woodwinds, and James Tankow on trombone.

After a terrific performance, the group wound the show up with a ten-minute encore of their all-time favorite "25 or 6 to 4."

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East Meets West



What kind of individual does it take to be a foreign exchange student? Through his openness, his sincerity and his humor, Tibor Spigel of Yugoslavia, showed those members of the TOWER staff interviewing him what it takes to be a **SUCCESSFUL** foreign exchange student.

Tibor arrived in the states on August 1 from his hometown of Subotica where he lives with his parents and 12 year old brother. Subotica is very similar to South Bend in population but its area is much more compact. Tibor is living at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Brickley during his year here.

In comparing life in the United States with that of Europe, Tibor finds that our way of life is very fast, and that everyone seems to be in a hurry. European families on the other hand seem much closer and life in many parts of Europe is harder than it is in the U.S. While many Americans have adopted a "live for today" philosophy, Europeans have been greatly affected by the two world wars fought there, and so they have a great concern for the future. At a young age, people begin to decide what will be advantageous not only to themselves at the present, but also in the future, and to their future families. Yet, Tibor finds European kids much more free than those in the U.S. -- they put little emphasis on material things, and instead strive to understand a person's mind and intellect. The social "niceties" are played down in Europe as Tibor explained through the great differences in American and European parties. In Europe, it is not unusual for someone to go to a party and sit in a corner reading a book; Americans, however, would find this unthinkable.

There are few similarities between the two school systems. In



Yugoslavia, one attends elementary school for eight years, and at the age of 14 must pick his career, so he can pursue it in one of the city's specialized high schools (changes are allowed, though). In Subotica there are 10 high schools, including a language and arts school, a mathematics and physics school, an engineering school, and a teachers school. (Many of these fields, must, of course, later be pursued in universities) The various schools in Subotica range in size from 1600 kids to less than 100 kids. Tibor is in the music school with an enrollment of 80 (60 of which are girls) and classes have only six to ten people, which to Tibor is a tremendous boost to learning.

When he returns to Yugoslavia Tibor will still have another year of high school. His day there begins at 7:00 A.M. Last year he took an average load of fourteen subjects, but due to his stay here, next year he must take eighteen. Periods throughout Europe are 45 minutes long because psychologists there believe that 45 minutes is the longest period one

can pay attention in the classroom without becoming bored.

Although the school day begins at 7:00, it is much more broken up than ours, and leads to different eating customs. The day is begun with a large breakfast before school; at 10 o'clock there is a small sandwich break; from 12:00 to 1:00, a hot lunch, with a hot dinner anywhere between 4:00 and 6:00. One thing Tibor really misses is soup, which he usually has twice a day at home, but does not get here because we only have one hot meal a day. During the different breaks throughout the day, students meet in a special hall made for that purpose and the furnished with youth newspapers, ads, and other things of interest to the students.

During his year at Adams, Tibor is taking band and marching band, German, gym, history, government, and mythology. In Europe, in addition to his many music classes, he takes gym, government and a foreign language. About 90 percent of the kids in Yugoslavia take English beginning in the fifth grade. Tibor had a few problems speaking when he first came here, but he has adjusted beautifully.

Comparing American and European high schools, Tibor finds Europe much harder, with a great deal more homework. In place of grades is a scale of 5 to 1. (With 5 high) However, there is no 2, (which corresponds to our D) because they believe that either you know your material or you don't, so either you pass or fail.

While the European school day is also strenuous, it is set up quite differently. However, by dinner most kids have their homework completed, and at 7:00 or 8:00 in the evening go out. Dating is not as popular in Europe as it is here so many people go out in large groups in which every-

one is with everyone else. It is rare that cliques form and conflict, as in the U.S. Many Yugoslavians enjoy sports. Their favorite being soccer and basketball. English music is popular as are discotheques. All styles and lengths of hair and clothes are prevalent. (Along with its criticism by some adults).

Politically, Yugoslavia is not really either capitalistic or communist. Tito wants to have trade relations with everyone. Has hopes of achieving peace. At the age of 14, all citizens become members of the political youth organization. Political interests and participation are developed young as the kids in the country take part in this youth organization. Technically it is a part of the country's ruling communist party, but has its own separate opinions and actions on current happenings. Active participation is voluntary, and the youth organization has some of its branches in schools. Tibor, who served as president of his school chapter, finds U.S. politics quite different from his own.

Though America is different than Yugoslavia, Tibor finds it fascinating.

By Ruth Szymkiewicz

Feeling Left Out?



Call Hot Line

The GREEK WAY

A new student at Adams this year is Mary Nassika a senior visiting America with the Youth For Understanding Program. She comes from Tirnavos, Greece, a town of 15,000 people. After arriving August 7th, she went to stay with her American family the Coulters. Her classes here include U.S. History, Contemporary Society, Acting (which she enjoys very much) and Notehand. Surprisingly enough she has taken English for only three years and she speaks our language very well.

The Grecian School System is different than the American system in several ways. For instance, Mary had fifteen subjects; 45 minutes a period. The students in Greece have a shorter school year than the one we experience; they have four months vacation and because it is so hot in their country school starts in October. College educations are given on a highly selective basis. Out of 30,000 applications, about 6000 are accepted. Those who meet the university requirements are given free education by the government.

Mary says that socially her town is: "Very, very, very disciplined." The girls must wear dresses that completely cover their legs and their hair must be drawn back with a headband. The girls wear uniforms, though boys do not. The boys do however, have to follow strict dress codes. Girls and Boys cannot date and as late as two years ago, parents chose marriage partners; there are still families who do.

In many technological ways Greece and America seem quite opposite. Most people of Greece have iceboxes for food preservation. The iceman comes every day thru the town in a horse-drawn carriage. Meat is very scarce. Most houses in Greece are made out of stone since there is little wood. Women even make their own clothes. Despite some of these



contrasts to American life, Grecians are exposed to one very American technological development--T.V., Bonanza, Dr. Welby, Mannix, Hawaii Five-O and Medical Center can all be seen in Greece (for those who have television.) with grecian voices dubbed into the soundtrack.

Evan though Mary speaks English well, she says: "I can read only one page in four hours. So tonight I have two chapters in history, two chapters in Government, and one chapter in Family Living. And I can only read one page in four hours. So stop complaining about how long your homework takes Adams students! And while you're counting your blessings, think what it would be like to travel to Greece and read Family Living assignments. Undoubtedly many an American student could say with justification, 'It's all Greek to me.'"

By Denise Steen



READ THIS

Cost to students for the guidance-oriented ACT Assessment, the current academic year will which takes about 3-5 hours to probably be especially important complete, is \$6.50. Resulting information reports are of valuable use to students and their counselors in pre-college planning. The first of which is Oct. 21--

Students uncertain whether they need to take the ACT Assessment, or who are concerned about the location of the most appropriate testing centers, are urged to contact your counselor or another member of the guidance staff. Students can also obtain registration packets and other ACT informational materials from their guidance counselors.

The Guidance Office also announced the complete schedule for the 1972-73 academic year. The five national dates (with corresponding registration periods in million students in the U.S. and overseas took the five-part assessment, which is required or recommended for applicants at more than 2,000 colleges, universities, two-year colleges, scholarship agencies, and athletic conferences.

The ACT Assessment consists of four academic tests and a questionnaire section that collects information about an individual's academic and extra-curricular achievements in high school, immediate plans for the future, and career aspirations. The four tests--covering English usage, math, social studies, and natural sciences--are designed to assess general educational development.

The Guidance Office recommended that students write the ACT examination-questionnaire during the junior year or early in their senior year, in order to make use of the resulting ACT data in planning for college. With national headquarters in Iowa City, Iowa, ACT is an independent and nonprofit corporation that provides a number of guidance-oriented assessment services for students and institutions in the U.S. and more than 60 foreign countries.

DON'T PANIC, ADJUST.

No Title # 1

i used to think that i always had everything all figured out, until you, just like i write all my writings in pencil i thought i could erase love just like that. looking back no one had ever made me so happy and when you left no one had made me so sad. we were always rapping about somepin and i miss that. i didn't know what love was then but i know now it was the friendship we had. Now in thinking about it/you/us 000, but you hurt.

No Title # 2

Feeling like thinking about hurting when Loving, not loving For ever

By Denise Steen

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Heroes Galore for Eagles

Fallon Heads For Regional

by Scott Brennan

Coming up with four straight conference wins, the Eagle tennis team is now in a three way tie for the NIC tennis crown.

Adams, Mishawaka, and Elkhart Memorial are deadlocked, each owning a 4-1 record.

With three consecutive shut-outs over Washington, Michigan

City Elston, and Riley, the tennis team faced the always tough LaPorte Slicers and edged them 4-3.

Individual honors were bestowed on sophomore sensation Chris Fallon as he swept the South Bend Sectional Singles tournament last weekend.

While Fallon was winning the singles crown, Adams managed to pull out a respectable fourth place finish behind champion LaPorte, Mishawaka, and Jackson.

Tomorrow, Fallon travels to Gary where he will vie for regional honors and a chance to compete in the following week's state finals.

Adams on Top in NIC; Phillips out for '72

by John Heisler

Pat Daniels Leads Harriers

by Mark Norman

Fighting to come into their own after dropping early forfeit heartbreakers, the John Adams Cross Country has started to show bright spots.

Although both overall and conference records (4-5 and 1-2 respectively) reflect defeat and disappointment, both are misleading. Running on only the strength of two seniors, three juniors and three sophomores, which includes only two lettermen, the harriers have done surprisingly well considering the obvious lack of depth. Unfortunately, as last week's scores show, that lack of depth

can hurt. Running at Niles over a three mile course, the best the runners could manage was a third place by Pat Daniels and a ninth place by Captain John Kujawski as they beat Niles but lost to St. Joseph, Michigan High School. Following that meet the harriers lost two conference meets in a three-team meet at Eberhart Golf Course in Mishawaka. Although Pat Daniels set a new course record by better than thirteen seconds, and Kujawski and junior Jim Lindzy placed sixth and seventh, they still lost to LaPorte and Mishawaka.

All-American Honor For Dan Harrigan

While in some sports, so called All-Americans seem to be a dime a dozen, Adams can boast a bona-fide one in Dan Harrigan. Harrigan recently was presented with a plaque from the National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches of America for his time of 0:55.9 in the 100-yard backstroke at the Jackson meet last winter. The plaque accorded Dan Honorable Mention on the All-American Interscholastic Swimming Team.

Just a junior this year, Harri-

gan spent a busy summer swimming as well. At the Swimming Coaches of America National Meet in August, he placed eighth in the 200-meter backstroke. The meet, which was held in Hershey, Pennsylvania, hosted the best amateur swimmers from throughout the country. Later at the State Meet in Evansville, Dan participated in 3 events, and he was the high-point winner in the 15-17 age group. Congratulations go to Dan and Coach Smith as well on these excellent achievements.



As Mike Wilbur holds Bill Stinchcomb boots 40-yard FG against Elkhart Central.

Who has done the most to put Adams' football team in first place in the NIC? Coach Bob Wilbur probably would not want to answer that because he has a whole list of heroes and they all deserve credit for the Eagles' present position. When a team decisively knocks off two others in the top 20 within two weeks as Adams did against LaPorte and Elkhart Central, everybody looks like a hero.

Against LaPorte, it was Chubby Phillips and Rick Mitchem rebounding after costly fumbles to run for 266 yards and 4 touchdowns between them. It was Bill Stinchcomb gallantly filling in at QB and leading the Eagles to victory. It was Phillips and Mitchem this time on defense making open-field stops of two LaPorte tries for 2-point PAT's. Against Elkhart, it was Mike Parseghian alertly running in a Blazer fumble to give Adams an early lead. It was Jim Tolbert so ably filling in for the injured Phillips in the backfield. It was Stinchcomb, this time with his leg, booting two perfect field goals. The list could go on and on forever.

As usual, the Eagles have little time to rest on their laurels, assuming they can successfully handle away contests against Michigan City Elston and Elkhart Memorial, the whole season will depend on next Friday's visit with the Washington Panthers. If Adams comes away a winner, it will mean the NIC championship.

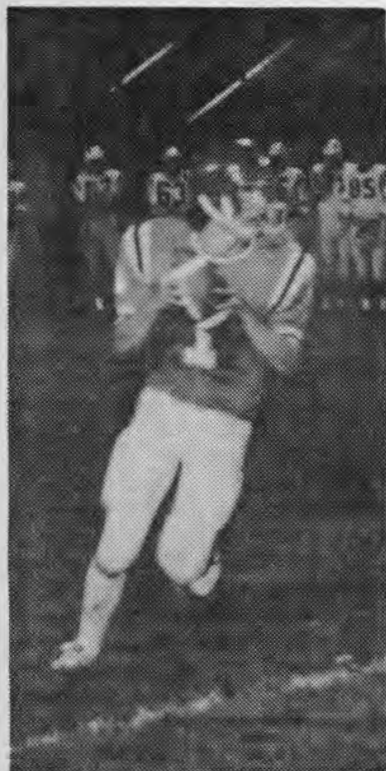
The LaPorte battle saw the Eagles come from behind with three last quarter touchdowns to score a 33-18 victory. The Slicers marched 47 yards late in the first quarter and a sweep by Jim Szawara gave LaPorte the lead. But Chubby Phillips made a nice stop on Curt Bauer's try for the 2-point conversion, and with that, the Eagle Machine was ready to roll. After trading interceptions, Adams ground attack began to find holes in the LaPorte defense. Several big gainers by Mitchem and Phillips did most of the damage in a 65-yard march, and when Chubby went through the left side for a TD with 6:21 left in the half, it was a 7-6 lead for the Eagles. After a Slicer punt, the Eagles quickly moved 62 yards for another score. Phillips again took it in

with just 1:34 on the clock for a 13-6 halftime edge.

The third quarter saw several costly fumbles by Adams as the Slicers pulled ahead once again. Thanks to the miscues, LaPorte only had to go 37 yards for one score and only 21 yards for the other as they grabbed an 18-13 lead. The final quarter began with the Eagles still trailing, but things changed quickly. On first down after a LaPorte punt, Phillips scampered 62 yards to the Slicer 17 and when Mitchem took the ball 18 yards for the six points, Adams was ahead to stay. The fired-up defense stopped LaPorte at their own 30, and Stinchcomb promptly led the offense 64 yards for the clinching points with just 35 seconds remaining. A 59-yard runback of an interception by Wally Blake enables Mike Parseghian to go 11 yards for the final tally.

Against hated rival Elkhart, Adams scored in every way possible to whip the Blazers 23-6. With 5:25 remaining in the opening period, Mike Parseghian latched onto an Elkhart fumble and took it 52 yards for a 6-0 lead. The center's snap on the PAT was off, but holder Mike Wilbur made it look easy as he took the ball around the left side for two points. An interception by Rick Mitchem near the goal line initiated another march in the second quarter. Adams drove to the Blue Blazer's 23 where Bill Stinchcomb kicked a beautiful 40-yard field goal for an 11-0 lead.

Elkhart closed the gap with a third quarter touchdown, but the Eagles were not about to give up. After a Central punt, they promptly marched 74 yards for a score, Kevin Patterson legging it the final yard for the six points. Elkhart's bad luck continued when Rick Mitchem hit the Blazer's QB in the endzone for a safety and a 20-6 lead. Jim Tolbert ran the ensuing kickoff all the way back to Elkhart's 26, and with 1:40 left, Stinchcomb ended the scoring with a 36-yard field goal. Unfortunately, the Eagles' jubilation was diminished by the injury to Chubby Phillips. Phillips was hit the second time he carried the ball and the sad result was torn ligaments. Surgery last Saturday repaired the knee, but Chubby will be out for the rest of the season.



QB Kevin Patterson rolls out against Elkhart.

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