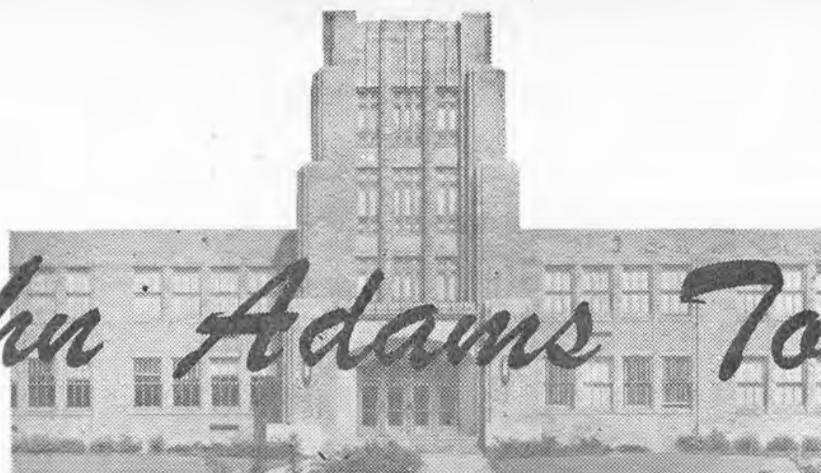


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Bruce Parker	Philip Twigg
4A's 1B	
Jack Noyes	
4A's	
Marilyn Burke	Thomas Pozzi
Mary Louise Hibner	William Reinecke
3A's 2B's	
Ann Donker	James Tarter
Tom Dugdale	
3A's 1B	
Robert Beale	Barbara Lennon
Sue Bennett	Thomas Olschewsky
Joyce Coffman	Susan Peterson
Norma Eddy	Dale Rogers
William Haefele	David Sanderson
Johanna Jaffee	Richard Sanderson
Esther Kennedy	Jo Ann Turner
Fred Laas	Jo Walke
Donna Leng	Cathryn Weidler
2A's 2B's	
Judith Campbell	Marianne Opperman
Jackie Clemmons	Rosemary Orban
David Coverdale	Lorena Rose
Eleanor Earl	Rosemary Schubert
Jane Gindelberger	Carol Simons
Jean Hibbets	Mary Swingendorf
Margaret Jamison	Sandra VanDusen
Fred LaCosse	Martin Weissert
Sylvia Moran	Mary Alice Wilhelm
Steve Morse	

CAREER DISCUSSIONS HELD BY SOPHS

Each member of the 10B class is attending a group of three discussions to assist them in choosing a career. The first of the series began on November 7. Well-qualified speakers were selected to speak on each of the following topics: Home Making, Engineering, Medicine, Air Transportation, and Journalism.

Discussions were also held on the 14th concerning the occupations of Home Economics, Trades in Industry, Nursing, Selling, and Careers in Art.

The last series of talks took place yesterday including: Careers in Business, Careers in Science, Radio and Television, Heating and Air Conditioning, Automotive Service, and Careers in Teaching.

These career discussions were held during the regular guidance period. Student chairmen were appointed to introduce each speaker to the rest of the group. Some of these discussions were in the form of movies, while others were talks. In either case, at the close of the discussion, there were informal question periods.

Those on the sophomore commit-

Richards and Butler In Spotlight At Banquet



Dean Richards

THREE SOPH ROOMS TOP RED CROSS DRIVE

Miss Law's Sophomore home room 107 collected \$9.11 in the recent Junior Red Cross enrollment drive to lead the school in the campaign. Miss Law is the faculty adviser for the John Adams Red Cross.

This group topped the second place room by \$3.66. Miss Kaczmarek's room, 102, collected \$5.45. Room 102 is also a sophomore home room. Another sophomore group, Mr. Nelson's, room 207, was third with \$5.30.

The drive netted \$62.89 and only three rooms failed to get one-hundred per cent enrollment. The money will be used to pack chests for mailing overseas and to give the annual Christmas party at the Children's Aid Society, two projects of the Adams service organization.

ANNUAL MUSICAL PRESENTED

Students, teachers and parents assembled in the Little Theatre after school yesterday for the annual Thanksgiving program sponsored by the Glee Club. The program was opened by the chairman, Jo Ellen Morris. A variety of numbers ranging from light to classical were given. The program was pure-

tee which planned these interesting programs were: Bill Bickel, Nancy Chizek, Mary Agnes Gingrich, Nancy Habart, Margaret Jamison, Pat Light, Bill Reinecke, Dick Sessler, and Dick Shaw.

Dean Richards, captain of the 1950 football team, walked off with all the honors at the eleventh annual football banquet tendered the Eagle eleven in the River Park Methodist Church on Monday evening, November 13. Dean was presented with the Monogram Club trophy, which symbolizes being named the outstanding player, and the Kiwanis Club Award, which recognizes outstanding ability in athletics and scholarship, sportsmanship, character, leadership, and citizenship. He was also voted the outstanding lineman on the team.

Paul Butler, attorney for the school city, was the main speaker for the affair. He compared the Adams team to the late Mayor fighting heart. He also said that Feeney of Indianapolis who was a great competitor and who had a team had learned four important lessons during the past season which they will have to use in the "game of life,"—perseverance, sportsmanship, patience and group action. He urged the senior squad members not to give up the quest for education and charged the sophomores and juniors to play in the future with greater enthusiasm, whether they win or lose.

Coach Jim Crowe paid a glowing tribute to the pigskin warriors in his short talk. He said that they had been "in many more games this year than ever before in the history of the school." He stated that they had scored 151 points during the season and that "the kids carried a tremendous load." He also introduced his assistant coaches, the players, and managers, and presented interesting sidelights about many of them.

Mr. Sargent explained why the Reco and Gilbert awards were not being given this year. The reason is that it is against the state ruling. The Reco award was given for "the outstanding linesman," who was Dean Richards and the Gilbert award was given to the "outstanding back," voted to be Jack Nordblad.

ly voluntary and consisted of vocal solos, ensemble numbers, duets, and piano solos.

The Thanksgiving program was started several years ago to give a chance to those singers whose voices were not strong enough to carry in the auditorium.

Famed Indian To Speak Here Monday Morning

On November 27 at 9:40 a.m. we will have the pleasure of hearing a great international speaker, Nilkanth Chavre. Dr. Chavre is a brilliant lecturer, author, educator, and humorist. He received his training at the University of Bombay and the University of Michigan.

Dr. Chavre has lived in Russia for six years and speaks Russian as well as six other languages, including Sanscrit. He has spent many years in the United States on missions for India. He is a manager of a model farm in Ohio where Hindu students are learning American methods. He is also consultant and advisor for 1,800 Hindu students attending our universities. Chavre is also representative to UNESCO and has spoken before the United Nations.

The topic Dr. Chavre will discuss will be: India-Yesterday and Today.

AUDITORIUM AND SHOP INTEREST I-E DAY GUESTS

Several things were brought out by Mr. Sargent and Mr. Rothermel on the Industry-Education Day tour of the school that surprised many of the industrial leaders who were visitors of our school on November 9.

Mr. A. J. Porta of the Studebaker Corporation said that he was very thankful for the chance to see the equipment and facilities of the school system. He said that he had always considered Adams the only school in the city that wasn't crowded and was very much surprised to find that music classes were held in the cafeteria. He was also surprised to find that the auditorium was used for classes during the daytime.

Mr. Joseph D. Barnette, president of the First Bank and Trust Company, said that he was "enlightened immensely" and most surprised to see such a complete set-up in the Adams shop. Mr. Barnette is a member of the Bald Eagles Club and an ardent supporter of Adams athletics.

Mr. N. N. Reinecke, vice-president of Mastic Asphalt Corporation, was interested in the practical and human approach used in development of high school students.

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From the Editor's Pen

THANKSGIVING

More than three hundred years ago a pilgrim colony came out of a winter of suffering and privation; a tiny band of men, women, and children who braved a new world. On a cold November day a governor named Bradford said, "Let us give thanks."

Nearly a century and a half later a man named George Washington turned to a nation born out of a war of pain and sacrifice and said, "Let us give thanks."

It was about seventy-five years later when a man named Abraham Lincoln came out of a long, dark era in which a country and its destiny were caught in a valley of crisis. He, too, chose a day in November to say, "Let us give thanks."

Today we look out on our world, and somewhere perhaps a voice whispers: "What have I for which to be thankful?"

For what shall we give thanks? For what shall we thank our Almighty on Thanksgiving Day? For life itself! Ernestine Schumann-Heink said, "To live is to be thankful; to know night and day, and changing seasons, to hear golden laughter, and even to weep softly—just to be alive is to be thankful."

For what shall a person give thanks? For John Adams; for the privilege of going to school; for the understanding and patient teachers; for the best gang of kids in the world in our student body; yes—even for the four day vacation which is starting this afternoon.

Give thanks because you are alive in a free America! In the words of the famous song "There Is Nothing Like A Dame," "Be thankful for the things you've got."

BASKETBALL

Our undefeated basketball team is the talk of the school this morning as they prepare to take on their second foe of the young season, Lew Wallace of Gary, in the "Smoky City" tonight. The Eagles downed Washington-Clay last Wednesday night and I happily extend my congratulations to Mr. Seaborg and the boys. The Colonial fans will be able to say that we won because the "big boy" was out, but I think we would have won anyway. There is a lot of room for improvement for both the team and the cheering section, but they can't be expected to be perfect in the first game.

Jottings: Today is the final day for the TOWER T. B. Editorial Contest. Your entries are due at three o'clock this afternoon . . . Speaking of plays, tonight is the last night of the Central Senior Play, "Arsenic and Old Lace." It will be presented at 8:00 p.m. in the Central Auditorium. Miss Kaczmarek has tickets.

Dear Diary:

As I was walking down the street the other day guess what I saw, the best-looking, cutest, most intelligent, best dressed looking boy I have ever seen in my life—sort of. Well,—anyway I just absolutely just fell in love with him at first sight—almost. Well, anyway I thought my goodness I simply must do something or I will never see him again—I guess. Well, anyway then I just simply dropped my books—all ten of them (we were having a Chemistry test the next day). Well, anyway I just sort of stood there and gave him a real excited look as if to say well my goodness aren't you going to pick up my books but I guess he wasn't as intelligent as he looked because he just stood there and laughed and well I've never, never, never in my whole life been so mortified—I guess. So well, anyway I just picked up my books and went home. Well, diary since it is 12:30 and I'm so tired and weary and exhausted that I guess I'll go to bed instead of telling you about my other terribly utterly exciting experience.

Love,
Joannloumae.

Have You Noticed - - How We Blush Here At Adams?

Nancy Kenady—even though a red head, she wears her red blush nicely.

Gary Shumacher—The U. S. History blush.

Evelyn Troub—the beet red blush, which she tries to hide with her hands.

Jay Miller—the fiery red kind which blossoms out in the wearer's ears.

Pat Callahan—the nice embarrassed blush which appears in Pat's cheeks and forehead.

Marva Tanner—the blush which starts out with a delicate pink and gradually spreads over one's countenance.

Bob Bartol—The senior dignified blush—bright red.

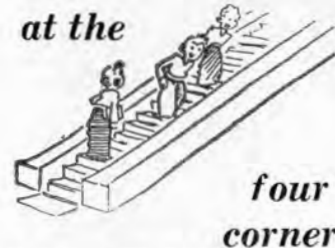
Just watch these people and observe their blushes when they read this article.

KOEHLER SETS RECORD

Dick Koehler set a new record in the Ushers Club. On the night of the last football game at school field, November 4, Dick worked as an usher for the 169th time since he became a member of the Ushers Club as a sophomore in the fall of 1948. This is the best record set by any member since the Club was organized ten years ago. Fred Nietter of the class of 1947 who, from the time he entered the club until graduation, worked as an usher 168 times.

Traffic Officer: As soon as I saw you going around the curve I said to myself, "forty-five at least."

Woman Driver: Well, you're way off. It's his hat that makes me look so old!



It seems we have quite a bit to catch up on. November 3 was the Rainbow Sadie Hawkins Dance. Some that we noticed were: Joanne Burkit and Wayne Woodward, Jo Tarr and Jack Noyes, Su Hastings and Robin Green (Riley '48) Marilyn Burke and Bruce Parker, Jean Selby and Bill Hudson, Karol Hudson and Joe Barnes, Sylvia Moran and Bob Stone.

We've noticed Gayle Freels and Bill Bickel together just before fourth hour lately.

Rocky Ferraro must have fun walking Miriam Bender and/or Joan Burkit to class.

Rumor would have it that Don Oakes is interested in a certain sophomore. Can this be?

Do Bill Witwer and Susan Nuss really have a lot to talk over? If so, they probably do it while walking home from school.

Mrs. Pate is soon going to introduce a "Give to the Stocking Cap for Steve Kierein Fund." Seems his ears get cold while traveling on his scooter bike.

Seen on a hayride recently: Mary Ann Kenady and Jay Miller, Marilyn Stebner and Bob Pfaff, Sue Robertson and Tom Wise, and Ginie Rich and Joe Landgraf.

Has Janet Zehnphenning changed her mind about Rex Edwards? Bill Calvin might think so.

Those to be added to the steadies list are: Ann West and Ronnie De-Ferbasche (Central), Mary Agnes Gingrich and Keith Neuhauser, Shirley Shafstick and Theron Hensler, and Margaret Strong and Bob Bright (Mishawaka).

Beth Smithberger is sporting a ring belonging to a mysterious Kevin Walker.

Mishawaka must really have something over there. Ann Donker and Norma Caspar seem to think so.

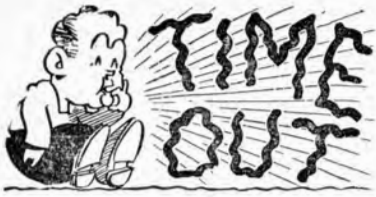
We all miss Hugh Baldus now that he has moved to Fort Wayne.

P. T. A. SEES FILM

A film, "The Feeling of Rejection," was shown at the meeting of the John Adams P. T. A. on Tuesday evening, November 14, in the Little Theatre. A discussion followed the movie, which told the effect of rejection on mental health. Viola music was played by Paul Ellsworth. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. J. V. E. Lennon, Mrs. C. K. Turk, and Mrs. D. A. Bickel.

Dad: "What's this 40 on your report card?"

Fred: "I guess that must be the temperature of the room."



By Dave James.

With Thanksgiving drawing near, we anticipate its accompanying series of "We-are-thankful" speeches, sermons, and writings. Few people ever consider the fact that thanks are often expressed more eloquently by action than with words. We would all show better sense to show our thankfulness to God for what we have by our attitudes and actions than to waste words every year.

The John Adams 1950 football season is history. The spotlight is now on basketball. How good will our team be this year? What are their potentialities? These questions will certainly be answered in due time. But one thing is certain; our team will start off the season with a bang if we get behind them and push with some thumping big yells and a school full of enthusiasm.

Local Boy Makes Good — Our own Edwin Dean has recently been elected Chief Honorary Custodian (fourth degree) of the 4th Hour Physics Class peg-board. It is Mr. Dean's highly responsible job to remove a little wooden peg from hole number six every time the peg

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In a current contest sponsored by the John Adams Alumni Association, Leon Connett has been selected as winner of Robertson's \$5 gift certificate. This he accomplished by drawing the winning poster advertising the Alumni Association's Thanksgiving Dance. His poster is on display at Robertson's.

The dance, an informal affair, is to be held Friday, November 24, at the Palais Royale. Tickets are \$2 per couple and may be purchased at the office or from any officer of the alumni association. Ted Gallagan and his orchestra will provide the music for dancing.

appears in the hole (which is often six or seven times a period). This "irks" Ed and often causes such

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Mrs. McClure—Grin and bear it. Clara Ferraro—Say my prayers.

Rex Edwards—I'd get rid of all my girl friends 'cause . . .

Garry Puckett—Get married.

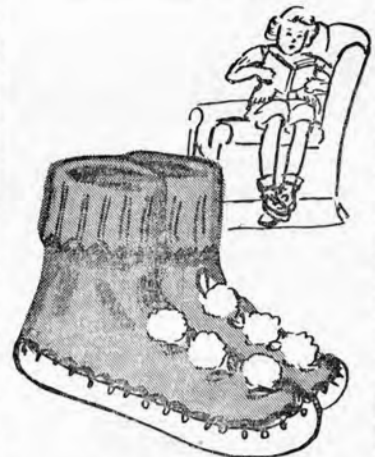


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Runners, Gridders Receive Awards At Assembly

Last Wednesday afternoon was the time of the annual football awards assembly sponsored by the Monogram Club. Jack Troeger was the master of ceremonies and first introduced Mr. Powell, who with the help of Mr. Sargent, presented the cross-country awards. Sweaters were given to Charles Cannon, Steve Elek, and David Jones. Those receiving certificates were Jack Bussert and Wesley Strong. The captain's star was awarded to Wesley Strong.

The football awards were next given by Coach Jim Crowe. Sweaters went to James Brennah, Bill Dieter, Paul Geiger, Jack Horvath, Joe Kline, Gene Landry, John Lederer, Jim Leng, Sherman Naftzger, Dick Nidiffer, Harold Pipke, Duane Rowe, David Scruggs, Richard Sessler, and Bill Hudson, as senior manager. Cheverons were given to Frank Kinsinger and Gene Smith. Jack Norblad, Dean Richards, Gene Richards, Richard Stanton, and Jack Troeger received certificates. Dean Richards was awarded the captain's star. It was announced that next year's senior manager will be Dick Bowman. Tom Wise is retiring junior manager. This year's sophomore managers are Doug King and Bill Reinecke.

The rhumba is a dance where the front of you goes along nice and smooth like a cadillac, and the back of you makes like a jeep.

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Schlundt-less Colonials Fall to Eagles 39-28

Last Wednesday night before a capacity crowd, the John Adams basketball team defeated the much-heralded Washington-Clay team by a comfortable margin of 11 points. Although the Eagles led most of the game, the win was by no means an easy victory. Washington-Clay either suffered or benefited by the absence of D. Schlundt from the hardwood as an injury of the hand kept him sidelined.

The game started rather slowly with neither team being able to send many through the hoop. Adams attempted to keep the rate of play fairly slow, but the game became a very fast one with the ball changing hands rapidly. Adams suffered from inaccurate passes and a lack of good rebounding. The first quarter ended in a 7-7 deadlock.

The second quarter brought a pickup of play from the Eagle side as Dillon, Oakes and Pfaff began to hit. The team was rebounding better and was getting more shots under the basket. The Eagle long shots were extremely accurate. By the end of the second quarter, we had drawn away from the Colonials to take a comfortable lead with a score of 19-9.

With the beginning of the third quarter, it was evident that Washington-Clay wasn't going to give up easily. They were becoming deadly on their long shots. At the end of the third quarter the Colonials had inched up to within five points of Adams with the scoreboard reading 29-24.

From the third quarter on, the

game continued to be close. As Washington-Clay continued to keep close tab on the Eagle score, Shennenberger flipped a couple of underbasket shots through the net to make the Adams score more decisive. With about one and one-half to two minutes remaining in the game, the Eagles played a beautiful stall, drawing the Colonials out toward the middle of the floor and Pfaff went in for an under-the-basket tally to put the game on ice.

High point man for the Eagles was Don Oakes with three baskets and six foul shots for a total of 12 points. Oakes made six out of six free shots. Kenny Dillon was second in point rank with eight points, while Shennenberger had seven and Pfaff six. Marty Weissert, Larry Soellinger, Bruce Parker, and Cuyler Miller also played important parts in effecting the Adams victory.

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The Colonials drew first blood with a quick basket, but Adams, paced by Rocky Ferraro and Larry Kedzie, left the Colonials with that one basket and a free throw at the first quarter. Ferraro hit for four buckets and one free throw for nine points. His baskets came largely on two-handed shots from behind the free throw circle. Kedzie's three field goals came on layups under the baskets as did Bob Stone's three buckets.

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