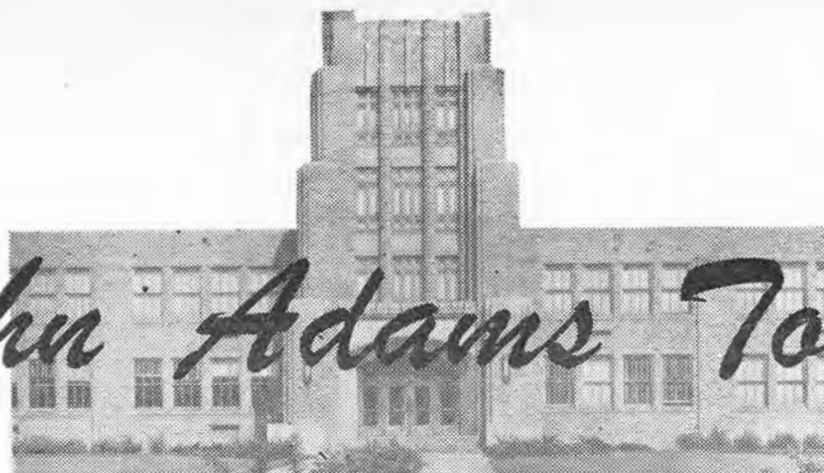


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January 19, 1951

Semester to End Next Friday; New Sophs Due

There will be no school next Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and most of Friday because of the end of the first semester of the school year.

Final examinations will be given on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning. Students will return for report cards at 8:30 a.m. Friday. The second semester will get under way at the usual time Monday morning, January 29.

Friday morning at eleven o'clock thirty-three new sophomores will be welcomed to Adams as 10B's. The new students will be from Nuner and Lincoln and Mr. Swartz will be their sponsor teacher in room 208.

FORTUNE MAGAZINE PRINTS PICTURE OF MR. POWELL

In the latest issue of Fortune Magazine there was a picture of Mr. Powell teaching a student to drive. With him was Mary Ann Earl, class of 1948. He was explaining to her the mechanics and processes of the instrument panel of a car.

We should be very proud of our Driver's Training course, as it was the first one in South Bend to meet the qualification standards of Transfilm Incorporated. Transfilm put out a movie entitled "Wheel Sense." It is one of a number of outstanding films of various types reviewed in "The Language of Pictures." A copy of this booklet is available from Transfilms Incorporated, Transfilm building, New York 19, New York.

1950 GRAD RECEIVES HONORS

Word has been received from Ball State Teachers College that Lois Warstler, valedictorian of the Class of 1950 at Adams, has carried a full load of college work for the first quarter and has earned a place on the Honor Roll. This feat is quite unusual for a freshman. Lois not only has been an honor student, but she has also been very active in extra-curricular activities. She was editor of last year's Tower.

WHAT
IS
THE THING?

STATE SCHOOLS SCHEDULE EXAMS

Seniors who are planning to enter a state university or college next fall have been informed of the date set for the examinations. Exams for Indiana, Ball State, Indiana Teachers and Purdue will be given on Monday, February 19. All

Soloist Will Feature Second Annual Concert For McKinley Band

Jay Miller, principal of the cornet section in the Adams band and 1950 state champion, will be the featured soloist at the band's second annual McKinley Benefit Concert in the McKinley School Auditorium next Wednesday evening, January 24, at eight o'clock. Proceeds will go to the McKinley band.

Mr. Miller will play "Hungarian Melodies," the number which won him the superior rating at the state meet last March. He will also play the solo part in "Pavanne," a popular Morton Gould number.

The program will be opened with "Sequoia," a beautiful overture which will probably be used by the band for the contest. Also on the program is "Show Boat," a medley of the top songs from Jerome Kern's favorite musical. A novelty number will be presented entitled "The Minstrel Show." Included are the "corniest" jokes and the "bestest" music. The program will be closed with the inspirational "Battle Hymn of the Republic." A similar program was presented for a student assembly last Tuesday.

Album Names Printer

The John Adams Yearbook, the Album, under the direction of Mr. Carroll, faculty advisor and Fred Helmer, editor-in-chief, has been under production since early September. The Album is to be printed by the Peerless Printing Company with the engravings handled by the Indiana Engraving Company.

Judy Campbell is in charge of the Art arrangements, Nancy Bolt is handling senior pictures, and Mary Demos and Rojean Bakos are in charge of junior and sophomore pictures respectively.

The Album's advertising solicitors under the direction of Mr. Nelson have almost completed the advertising section of the book and

interested seniors should contact Miss Burns immediately.

Other information has also been received in the Guidance Office. Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut has announced that the Regional Scholarships offer awards up to \$1,900 per year and the Freshman Scholarships vary from \$100 to \$1,200 for the Freshman year.

James Milliken University at Decatur, Illinois is offering the Lincoln Laboratories Science Awards worth \$500 a year, renewable by maintaining a 3.0 (B) average.

Purdue and Wabash have also announced available scholarships. Purdue is offering the Exceptional Achievement Scholarship and the Purdue Alumni Scholarships. Wabash is offering ten scholarships, five valued at \$4,000 each and five at \$2,000 each.

Kalamazoo College is also giving ten awards. There is one \$4,000 scholarship, three \$800 ones and six \$600 awards.

Announcement is also made that the next College Boards Examination will be given at Central on March 10.

Rector Scholarship

In 1919, Mr. Edward Rector of Chicago created one of the largest singly endowed scholarship foundations in the United States. Each year the Foundation has awarded scholarships to DePauw University to young men of outstanding ability ranking in the upper ten per cent of their graduating classes. These Scholarships pay up to \$1,600 in the four years at DePauw. This stipend is applied on the tuition in the University during four consecutive years.

The awards will be made to young men with sound scholarship who have taken a place in the leadership of high school affairs. Any boy who is interested should see Miss Burns at once as applications must be submitted after seven semesters of high school have been completed.

hope to open their circulation campaign early in February.

The book will be ready for distribution by the time of the Honor Day assembly in May.

Hi-Y Sponsors First Dance Of Season

Tonight the John Adams Hi-Y Club will sponsor the first post-game dance of the basketball season. Appropriately named, "The Basketball Bounce," the dance will feature the music of the John Adams Swing Band under the direction of "Doc" Deardorff. Dancing will be in the Little Theater from the end of the game until eleven o'clock. Admission will be fifty cents per couple and fifty cents for stags.

Another dance sponsored by the St. Joseph County Hi-Y will be the annual "Swingheart Sway" to be presented on Friday evening, February 9, from nine to midnight. Betty Murphy and her all-girl band will provide music for the semi-formal affair in the Palais Royal Ballroom. Tickets will be on sale by the Hi-Y soon at \$1.80 per couple.

JUNIOR TOWN MEETING BROADCAST AT ADAMS

The third Junior Town Meeting of the Air was held last Monday, January 15. It began at 8:45 a. m. in the Adams Little Theater. It was presented to an audience of Civics, History and Social Living classes. The four schools represented and their speakers were: David James, Adams; Johanna Dempsey, St. Joseph Academy; Pat Sweeney, Central Catholic; and Joann Jaroszewski, Washington. Mr. Krider was the moderator. The subject for the meeting was "Shall We Use the Atom Bomb?" The program was re-broadcast on WSBT last Tuesday evening at 9:00 p.m.



Friday, January 19
LaPorte vs. Adams, 6:45 p.m.
Basketball Bounce, 9:30 p.m.
Little Theatre

Tuesday, January 23
Final exams in afternoon
Wednesday, January 24
Final exams in morning
Band Concert McKinley School
8:00 p.m.

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From the Editor's Pen

BASKETBALL

Basketball is very definitely the main topic of conversation throughout the halls these days! And why not! Didn't we win the Holiday Tournament and trip up Central? First off, I want to tell the guys on the team and our coaching staff that they have made me an even prouder Adamite and I extend my congratulations and thanks. I feel sure that the whole faculty and student body will join me!

Now, to the fans in the cheering section: You did a magnificent job of supporting the team in their two glorious wins, but where were you at the Mishawaka game? Why can't you be behind the team all the time, whether they are winning or losing? There were so few of us yelling at the Mishawaka contest that the cheerleaders finally gave up on us and lead yells for the junior high students who cared enough for the team to support and they don't even go to school here! Even though we know we have one of the finest teams in the state, we can't win them all. Let's show our Eagles that we really are behind them, whether they win or lose.

Next, to the faculty: You seemed so very disgusted at the way the student body was carrying on last Friday, the day after we beat Central. I certainly did not approve of the skipping of school and all the talk of having the day off, but we certainly could have been allowed to be hilarious over the team's unforeseen win! That was the first time the powerful Bears had been defeated by a city rival since Washington turned the trick in 1947 and the last time Adams snatched victory from Central was the final game of the 1944 sectional tournament.

Fourthly, to our cheerleaders: You are still doing a swell job in your positions. You are full of pep and are good all-around cheerleaders. In the Holiday Tournament you were by far the outstanding team and you overcame the handicap of the split cheering section better than expected. However, I am pleading with you not to try to revive the old school song. Mr. Deardorff has asked you not to bring the old song back and I'm afraid that the song's revival would be disastrous. It was never a popular song and it was very unpopular with other schools. I think it would be much wiser on the part of you kids if you would not try to bring back the old school song as a fight song. To me, there's not much fight inspiration in that song.

And lastly, to Bob Primmer and his Central boys: We're not a bit sorry that we beat you, but we hope you get that 100th win soon.

Jottings: I can hardly wait to see the cheering block tonight . . . I saw Dr. Sanderson in "Harvey" . . . Thanks to Jim Freeman and the Central Student Council for the nice Christmas greeting to our school . . . There was a nice picture of Don Oakes in the Lew Wallace **Philosopher** after our game with the Gary team . . . Best of luck in your final exams next week!

archibald survives dull vacation; finds new love

i'm certainly glad that christmas vacation is over. this place is assuredly dead without any people around. of course, there was the holiday tourney and stuff like that going on, but not really too much. i sat in on a couple of the other games and would have been bored silly if it hadn't been for a cute little mousie from central. not to be facetious, but whenever you want cute mice, just go down to central. henrietta, the one i met at the game, introduced me to her steady, so that didn't work out too well. henrietta was good enough to fix me up with one of her girl friends, clarisse—who goes here at adams. honest to lucifer, i was sure i was the only mouse here, but then i guess clarisse is the shy type; doesn't get out much. we got our program cards changed, so we now have all our classes together.

i walked clarisse home the other day and met her mother and little brother. gosh, what a little b-rat he is. i wonder if her mother approves of me. i sure hope so. i showed mother clarisse's school picture and mother said that she looked like she came from a very nice family and she wondered if clarisse's mother had as much trouble getting her to eat her breakfast as my mother does with me. so help me, if mother says anything like that in front of clarisse, i think i'll die—dead.

i will be very glad when next semester comes because then my subjects will be changed. instead of having rodents health, safety, and the careful study of successful evading of mouse traps (gruesome thought) i will have typing and i hope to successfully master the shift key.

mother says its time i get my 8½ hours sleep and anyway that darn cat is around again, so i'd better turn off the radio (the "rat-man" is on tonight) and retire.

Classified Section

WANTED: A bottle of peroxide to finish Joe Kline's hair.

FOUND: One experienced chemist—Larry Soellinger.

WANTED: To know what "the Thing" is.

FOUND: One good basketball team that won the Holiday Tourney.

WANTED: Draft laws to exclude boy friends of the Adams girls.

FOUND: One Senior play finally produced.

WANTED: Some money after the Christmas vacation spree.

FOUND: Many new hair cuts—Pearl Coffman, Beth Smithberger, and Pat Graf.

WANTED: Easy exams for once!

WANTED: Some cute boy or girl who isn't going steady.

WANTED: Some new jokes for Mr. Nelson.

WANTED: A new Esquire Magazine for Mr. Carroll.

FOUND: One Latin book which doesn't seem to be wanted.

at the



four corners

Christmas dances were quite the thing during vacation. Some of those at the Junior Progress Club formal were: **Jean Selby** and **John Roberts** (Central); **Su Hastings** and **Jim Sears** (alumnus); **Sue Bennett** and **Bob Boland** (Purdue); **Nancy Chizek** and **Dave Selby** (Culver M.A.); **Nancy Bolt** and **Dick Sparks** (Northwestern).

Santa sure was good to several couples here at Adams. New on the steady list are: **Rosie Schubert** and **Bill Hudson**; **Jo Tarr** and **Jerry Graf**.

Some of those who were seen at the annual Rainbow formal were: **Luce Williams** and **John Steinmetz** (Jefferson); **Jo Jaffee** and **Harold Graf**; **Barb Lennon** and **Marty Weissert**; **Nancy Loesmondy** and **Joe Landgraf**; **Rojean Bakos** and **John Helvey**; **Nancy Thomas** and **Will Johnston**; **Sue Robertson** and **Tom Wise**; **Nancy Kenady** and **Bob Beale**; **Pat Parker** and **Kenny Gindelberger** (Mishawaka); **Pat Arisman** and **Jim Brennan**; **Joan Burkett** and **Joe Kline**; **Mary Lou Getzinger** and **Dave Williams**; **Mary Franklin** and **Larry Soellinger**; **Nancy Habart** and **Al Rouch** (Lakeville); **Barb Swank** and **Tom Smithberger** (alumnus).

Jo Walke and **Bill Weatherly** (alum) were seen together a lot during the holidays.

It sure is good to see **Tom Addison** and "**Toots**" **Horvath** together again.

Seen at the Palais Royale for the DeMolay Dance were: **Dave Boldon** and **Bonnie Palmwitter** (Central); **Pat Holland** and **Fred LaCrosse**; **Joanne Rawles** and **Tom Reamer**; **Mary Alice Wilhelm** and **Bill Clark**.

At some of the gay New Year's Eve parties which brought in 1951 were: **Jo Turner** and **Jim Wenger**, **Gingie Steinmetz** and **Jim Martiin**, **Nancy Smith** and **Dick Bolesky** (alumnus); **Judy Campbell** and **Jack Brown** (Riley); **Jan Schwier** (Jefferson) and **Bob Stone**; **Kathy Sears** and **Jim Carithers**; **Mary Lou Tait** and **Ken Callaway** (alumnus); **Phyllis Sells** and **Mel Edgerton** (alumnus).

Bob Reinke and **Ed Dean** are busy dating their girl friend, **Shirley Nimtz** (Central).

A few of the couples seen at the Handy Andy dance last Saturday night were: **Ginnie Rich** and **Dave Sanderson**; **Carolyn Johnson** and **Wayne Senger** (Central); **Su Hastings** and **Chuck Shindollar** (alumnus); **Jack Noyes** and **Mary Jo Tyler** (Central).

Jo Worries About Draft Situation

Dear Diary:

That stupid Korean War is just getting to be terrible—my goodness I just don't know what I am going to do because if they draft eighteen-year-olds, I just won't have any dates hardly at all and well anyway even though I haven't had too terribly many dates—well if all those boys are all over in Korea, why then I won't have any dates to even hope for and then I won't jump when the telephone rings and what's the point of having a telephone if you can't jump when it rings?

And another thing with the senior prom coming up in only four months well who am I going to go with because there only seems to be two choices—my father or my brother and seeing as how my brother is twelve years old and stands 5'2" in his shoes, it looks like my father is the only likely

one. Well at least I'd get a pretty good corsage but we might have to walk on account of we might have have gas rationing. So well I hope this war hurries up and ends because well think what we have to put up with on the home front.

Love,
Joannloumae.

Miss Smith: "Yes, Johnny, what is it?"

Johnny: "I don't want to scare you, Miss Smith, but Pop says if I don't get a better grade, someone is going to get a licking."

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Nancy Habart—to at least Dream of getting better grades
Karol Hudson—I resolved to be a real good little girl
Bill Bickel—not to wreck the car again
Margie Granat—to pay more attention to Art and less to - - -
Paul Stewart—I don't make them—they're disastrous

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Pat Graf—not bleach my hair like my brother did
Pat McKeon—I'm so good, I didn't have to make any
Judy Hershenow—to break all last year's resolutions
Beth Hodge—I resolve to make my New Year's Resolutions for 1952
Jack Nordblad—to have more fun in '51
Marva Tanner—I resolved to enjoy myself

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Eagles Beat Riley And Clip Panthers For Tourney Title

The Holiday Tourney has been over for several weeks, but little could make us forget the overwhelming victory our Eagles snatched by defeating Riley and Washington. Riley was our first victim and the boys had very little trouble putting them on ice for the second time 52-35. The game with Washington was the battle that brought down the nets in our favor to a tune of 50-45.

The game with the Panthers was close at the beginning with their defense being very tight. The first quarter indicated that Adams wasn't quite as hot as in the Riley tussle, but in the last few minutes of the quarter, Pfaff scored two beautiful long shots to put us close at the Panther heels with a score of 10-11.

The second quarter brought a different Eagle ball club to the hardwood. Their play was much smoother and their shooting accuracy was much improved, but rather sloppy passing on the Eagles part in the last few minutes gave Washington a chance to catch up with us as the score read 23-21 at the half-time gun.

The play in the third quarter left little doubt that the decision would be the Eagles. Pfaff was increasingly accurate on under-the-basket lay-ins and long shots and the Eagles led by a comfortable margin of 39-24.

The fourth quarter brought a renewed effort from the Panthers to win the crown, but even though they came a little closer to that reality, they failed to qualify. Pfaff was high point man for the Eagles with sixteen points. Oakes followed with thirteen.

"B" Team Loses Two; Then Ekes Out Win

A hot Warsaw team beat the Eagles "B" team 48-30 at Warsaw on December 20. It was the second straight loss for Adams after winning six games in a row.

The Eagles jumped off to a quick lead and led the Tigers 8-6 at the first quarter gun, but Warsaw pulled out in front of the Eagles midway of the second quarter and were never headed after that.

Out of 39 attempts the Eagles hit on eleven field goals and scored eight points from the seventeen-foot line. Rocky Ferraro was high point man with 13 points.

A rally that brought the Eagles within one point of the Mishawaka Cavemen failed as time ran out on Adams and the Eagles went down to their third defeat of the season, 28-26.

Adams started off very fast going out in front of the Cavemen but they bounced right back and then pulled way out in front of Adams at the half. Mishawaka stayed a comfortable distance

BY LINES - - by Bartol

THE STATE OF THE COACH

Needless to say, the Central victory made Coach Warren Seaborg a mighty happy man. He and his team had worked hard for this game and nothing was more satisfying than to have this work pay off. However, the coach feels that this win is no reason for the Adams fans to expect the impossible from the team. He still maintains that they will not set the world on fire. He stresses that they are fundamentally not strong and are not quite fast enough yet for this tough loop. He believes their reactions will have to be much faster. However, he says that the team has been steadily improving as has been evidenced by their play and he thinks they will continue to improve if they work hard and maintain the right mental attitude. He mentions that the greatest thing the Central win did was create a feeling of confidence among the boys which they need so much. He reminds us that the team has a very tough schedule ahead and will have to be on its toes every minute in order to remain on top. He also stated that the Eagle reserve power is not as good as it might be. As for LaPorte, he won't venture a prediction yet. He knows they are good and will be tough to beat. He was interested in defeating Lakeville first. Whatever the outcome of these games, a lot of credit must be placed where it is deserved. That place is in the lap of the coach. This mild-mannered man is doing wonders with the team and although he refuses to boast, I think he has something. Time will tell.

ADAMS NIPS MUCH HERALDED CENTRAL FOR FIRST CONFERENCE WIN, 48-44

The game between Adams and Central was one of those battles in which anything can happen and usually does. The game might be called a grudge fight. Even though neighboring Central is one of our best friends, they are also one of our most hated enemies as soon as our teams meet them in the competition of an athletic contest. They have a tradition a mile long and we have been trying to whittle that tradition down for ten years in order to build a better one of our own. Therefore, it is little wonder that our victory over the Central Bears was a win which hasn't been equalled and which won't be equalled in the many games to come. The victory over Central proves that our boys can do it when they have to. It is a tonic to the rather apparent feeling at Adams that "We just don't quite have it." We do and no one knows any better than Central.

The game was played before a howling, screaming, wildly enthusiastic crowd of Adams and Central rooters. Adams started the game playing heads-up, smooth, quick-thinking basketball and continued to play that way for the remainder of the game. The Eagle spirit was high. They were out to whip the Bears—nothing less—and they weren't afraid. The game was close from the start and ended in an 11-11 deadlock at the end of the first

from the Eagles until two minutes remained in the game. The Eagles staged a dramatic rally and scored thirteen points in the final stanza.

The Eagle "B's" finally got into the win column again taking a thrilling 36-35 overtime decision from the Central Cubs.

Larry Kedzie connected on a shot in the closing seconds of the extra period to put Adams ahead and gave them their seventh victory in ten starts. The regulation time ran out with the scoreboard reading 33-33.

quarter. Deiter made a long shot from the middle of the floor in the last few seconds of this quarter to put us on an even par with Central.

Dillon replaced Parker at the start of the second quarter and the battle was again under way. There was a considerable bit of bad passing and traveling on the part of both teams in this quarter. Central sent their ace Kuhny into the game the last two and one-half minutes of the half and their passing speeded up as they made a renewed effort to go around the Eagles. The half ended in another tie. The score read 19-19.

The third quarter brought a decided change in the trend of the ball game. One couldn't mention the third quarter without giving credit to the under-the-basket lay-in Weissert made while being practically out of bounds and midway in the air between the basket and the hardwood. Somebody was heard to say that he must have practiced this shot a great deal. With four minutes of the quarter remaining Adams forged ahead with as much pep as displayed in the first quarter and a very determined spirit. This burst of spirit and fight left Central stunned as the Eagles took the lead 36-31.

A calm, careful Adams squad took to the hardwood in the fourth quarter against a nervous unknowing Bear squad. However, the game was quite wild before very much time had elapsed. With four minutes to go the Bears took a one-point lead. Deiter retaliated with a lay-in and then a free shot. Central then tallied and the score was again tied at 42-42. Central missed a free shot and Shennenberger swished two for the Adams cause. Following the free shots there was a wild scramble for the ball and Adams lost possession of it several times, but Parker made a lay-in to send Adams ahead. Central fought back with a basket to make the

Cavemen Use Height To Whip Eagles in League Tussle, 55-35

January 4 and a new year failed to bring victory to Adams as we went down in defeat to Mishawaka by a tally of 55-35. The game was not Mishawaka's from the beginning for the Eagles kept close tab on them in the first quarter. The Eagles were playing a faster than usual game and passed continually, but the overwhelming height of the Cavemen rather made lay-ins impossible. The Cavemen defense was so tight that the Eagles were not even able to get off many long shots. In spite of this and the loss of Bob Pfaff they were still very much a threat to Mishawaka at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter brought disaster to the Eagles as the Cavemen gained momentum and began to pour it on. The Eagles were temporarily snowed under. The score at the end of the half was 31-20. The third quarter was simply a repeat of the second quarter as Mishawaka went out in front by a greater margin. The Eagles were doing their best, but the Cavemen speed and height was a little too much. Weissert went out on five fouls in the third quarter. After the third quarter, the outcome was evident. Mishawaka was the undisputed victor by a score of 55-35.

Weissert was high point man for the Eagles with ten points—four baskets and two free shots. Oakes had eight points.

Last Minute Foul Fatal to Eagles, 47-48

Accuracy at the free throw line by Jake White brought a well deserved victory to Warsaw in the Warsaw gym December 20. The score was 48-47.

White connected on a pair of free throws with fifteen seconds remaining in the contest. He was at the free throw line as a result of a foul by Marty Weissert. The charity tosses came when the Eagles were out in front 47-46.

Adams headed the Tigers for the first three quarters and looked very good. In the fourth quarter the hosts caught up with the Eagles for good.

Marty Weissert led the Eagles with ten points but fouled out with only a minute left in the fourth quarter. He was preceded by Bob Pfaff who also had five personals. Don Oakes was considerably off for the night but Don set up most of the Adams plays and was the play maker of the night.

score read in our favor 46-44. Then just before the final gun, Parker put in a sleeper shot from under the hoop to finish off Central by a 48-44 score.

Adams won the game from the charity stripe by making twelve out of fourteen attempts there. Bill Dieter was high man for the Eagles with thirteen points.