#### A.H.S. Concert Band Takes Championship For First Time

For the first time in the history of John Adams High School, the Adams band won a superior rating, first place, in the annual state band and orchestra contest sponsored by the Northern Indiana School Band, Orchestra, and Vocal Association. For seven consecutive years the A.H.S. musicians settled for second division ratings, but last Saturday the Deardorff-coached organization won a first in the Goshen High School auditorium.

The blue-clad musicians played in Class B competition against some of the outstanding bands in the state — Hobart, George Rogers

The John Adams High School Band participated in the State Band Contest at Goshen on Saturday, April 14, and received a first rating. Our band has been participating in this musical activity for a period of eight years. concentrated effort on the Their first rating is a result of part of every member of the group and has paid dividends to our school.

Our congratulations to every student who took part part in this event and to the director "Doc" Deardorff!

This is the first time that a high school in South Bend has made a first rating in the State Contest, and we hope that it will be an annual occurrence hereafter. John Adams' band is now in the same class as Hobart and Clark of Hammond, who have A-number one bands.

GALEN B. SARGENT.

Clark of Hammond, and Hunting-

The 43-piece band opened their blue-ribbon conquest with the piaying of "Sequoia," a beautiful overture by LaGassey. They then played the Finale to Fauchet's "Symphony in B-flat." They closed the concert portion of the contest with "The March of Youth." All three judges rated the band in the first division.

For the sight-reading part of the competition they moved to a clurch three blocks from the school. They played two pieces (continued on page three)

#### Madrigal Group to Sing Wednesday



Pictured is the newly organized Madrigal Group of the Glee Club which will perform for the first time next Wednesday evening. Sitting at the piano, left to right are Flora Mason, Fred LaCosse, and Jean Gooley. Standing, left to right, Bob Stone, Nancy Bolt, Jay Miller, Carol Simons, Bob Pfaff and Marty Weissert.

#### Teachers From A.H.S. To Visit Industry

On April 26, six hundred and seventy-five teachers from South Bend's public and parochial schools will be the guests of the city's industries. The teachers will meet at Adams at 8:00 am. They will then disperse as to their selection of the plant or industry they wish to visit, No teacher will duplicate his last year's visit. Company representatives will act as guides for the tours in the morning. The teachers and industrial managers will then meet for lunch and will hold discussions in the afternoon. The day activities will end at 3:30 p.m. when the teachers return to Adams.

#### PROM TICKETS ON SALE; ALL ALUMNI INVITED

Tickets for the 1951 Senior Prom, which will be held Friday evening, May 18 in the Palais Royale Ballroom, went on sale this last week. Bud Simpson's orchestra will furnish music for dancing from 9 to midnight.

Tickets are \$2,20 per couple. All alumni of the school are invited to attend the affair. Tickets are obtainable from prom committee members of the Senior class and in the office. Only seniors and alumni may purchase tickets.

Roy Tepe is chairman of the prom committee. John Lederer, Johanna Jaffee, Mary Alice Barnes, David Sanderson, and Beth Smith-

### Square, Round Dance, Sox Prize at Hop

Blue jeans, bright shirts, and argyles will be the style tonight as the Monogram Club presents its third annual Sox Hop. At 7:30 shoes will come off and the John Adams Swing Band, under the direction of "Doc" Deardorff, will play for dancing until 11 o'clock. There will be square dancing at band timeouts

A prize will be awarded the couple with the most unique sox combination. Matching argyles and mixed combinations are always good for the show.

Bob Pfaff, president of the lettermen, is general chairman. Duane Rowe, Gene Landry, Larry Soellinger, James Leng, and Dick Sessler are the committee chairmen.

Tickets are on sale for 50 cents per couple. Club members have them and they can be obtained at the door tonight.

#### T.B. LEAGUE OFFICERS NAMED

Mrs. Rosemary Faber, school nurse, has announced that Fred LaCosse will be the senior representative to the St. Joseph County Junior Tuberculosis League in the 1951-52 school year. Mary Agnes Gingrich will be the junior representative and Margaret Jamison will be the reporter.

berger are committee members. Fred Helmer is president of the crass.

## Glee Club to Sing In Spring Concert Next Wednesday

The John Adams Glee Club is scheduled to present its Spring Concert this coming Wednesday at 8:00 in the auditorium. Last minute preparations are underway for a program which presents signs of being one of the best yet.

The Glee Club has selected an excellent group of music for the program, among which are such numbers as "June Is Busting Out All Over," "The Best Things In Life Are Free," a medley of Victor Herber numbers, Christianson's "Praises to the Lord," "Paper Reeds," and Noble Cain's "To Music."

The program will feature a piano solo by Garnetta Turner and a vocal solo by Sharon Chambers. Featured on the program will be the Boys' double quartet under the direction of Fred LaCosse and the Girls' triple trio.

The Glee Club will take pride in featuring in their program for the first time their newly formed Madrigal Singers, who will present "Now Is the Month of Maying" and other gay numbers.

Special credit is due to Mary Swingendorf and her committee who have designed an excellent setting and backdrop for the program.

Ticket sales are well underway and the rivalry between the competing teams is heated as the time for the close of the contest draws near. The two captains, Bob Thompson and Fred LaCosse, have done an excellent job of handling ticket sales. Tickets will also be on sale at the door for 30 cents.

The Glee Club of 109 members will be under the direction of Mrs. Lawrence T. Pate and the accompanists are Lynn Whitman, Sylvia Moran, and Flora Mason. The Glee Club looks forward again to the pleasure of ushering in the season of spring with music.

Following is the complete pro-

Sing and Rejoice	James
Come Thou, Holy Spirit	Thack
Praise to the Lord Chris	tiansen
Glee Club	
Faith, Hope, and Love	Shelley
Will You Remember Re	
Triple Trio	mberg
The Tinker	Cain
Cool Water	Nolan
Brightly Shine	Thack
Glee Club	Thack
With a Heart That's Free	Robyn
Sharon Chambers, Soloist	240071
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## From the Editor's Pen

It has been brought to my attention that some of the students have been pestering the establishments across the street in such a manner that they cannot carry on a respectable and profitable business.

It seems that students have been bringing their lunch with them to school and then eating in Brownies, more commonly known as "The Hole." They will not buy anything when they go in, except maybe a bottle of milk, but still they take up table space. When they are finished they don't know what to do with their lunch sacks, so they burn them on the tables. The school does provide a place for those who bring their lunch to eat.

To me there isn't anything much lower. After all those people are in business. They are trying to run a respectable eating establishment. If you can't act like a high school student when you're out of your own home and school, I can't see why you go out.

By the time a person reaches the age of a high schooler, he is expected to act as if he is of the high school age.

When a student acts like that in public he brings disrespect upon himself, his parents, and his school. Whenever any of you do disrespectful things it not only reflects on you, but also on your training.

It is not fair to your family or your school for you to act in public in such a way that it brings discredit upon you. If the Brown's didn't know better they might think that all the students who go to Adams act in that way. However, they do know that we are not trained to do such things and it is only a few. All of Adams' groups who go out of the school have always been accorded with praise for their superior behavior. It is not fair that just a few should bring a bad name upon the school.

Jottings: As a member of the band I wish to thank Mr. Deardorff for all the extra time that he put in to bring to Adams the state championship of Class B bands for the first time. He's in such a position that if we of the band do poorly all the discredit is placed on him, but when we do unusually well, as we did last Saturday, everyone says, "Aren't those kids wonderful?" . . . I hope you have your ticket to the Spring Concert. You'll be sorry if you don't attend! . . . Mrs. Pate informs me that 84 students have purchased tickets for Civic Music next year. This is an extraordinary record, one of which we can be proud.

### Play By Play Accounts of Adams Classes

GEOMETRY II

There goes the last bell and here we are in Geometry II again, last period. What fun! As usual I haven't done my homework but maybe this will be my lucky day and he won't call for it because right now, I don't feel at all like going to all that bother just to prove that a circle is a circle.

Now Mr. Weir wants to know if someone won't PLEASE try to work out No. 5. Most of us except the ones in the first row duck. Oops, he's looking my way! He sees me and he wants me to do it. Oh, this is dreadful. I can't get Lorena's attention so I guess I won't be able to copy her paper. If I could only stall for 28 minutes. Oh, well here I go. Now just to get this string around my finger right so that my carcle will be round, Darn it. Whenever he does it, it looks so easy. Well, this proof just won't have a drawing.

Now to figure why angle A equals B. I can't seem to get any one's attention for the answers. Poor Mr. Weir, he can't seem to get anyone's attention either. The rest of the class seems to have misplaced angle O and he is having a hard time finding it. I sure hope someone runs across it.

Well, finally after twenty minites I'm down to the last statement and I even know what it is. I think its Substitution AX. Oh, oh, he's taiking to me. No. it can't be. Not after all this. You know what? We haven't got time for me to explain it today and he wants to know if I wouldn't mind doing it all over tomorrow! Oh, well, only 7 more weeks of it. I hope.

#### LATIN IV

"Ladies and Gentlemen, this is rot a talking period or a time to take your mid-afternoon These are the words that greet us as we enter the 5th hr. Latin class. The class becomes quiet for a minute when the silence is broken by someone who says in too loud a whisper, "Ruthie," This is answered by a somewhat louder voice whispering "Ida." Then there may be heard a series of low snickers. Any other time you would think some boy was calling his current girlfriend-but not in Latin-About that time the teacher looks up and casts the "evil eye" on anyone she can catch looking up.

The class proceeds as we try to translate a story. The first word is "this" and the teacher calls on anyone who looks as if they might not know and asks them to give the Latin translation. He begins with a low hic (which sounded to me like anything but Latin) but the teacher nods a look of approval, the student beams, the class cheers and he bravely goes on to the next word as Caesar turns over in his grave.

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## Madam Adam

Soothes Your Heart When It Breaks Apart

Dear Madam Adam:

My girl friend and I have two other girl friends who are always casing different boys, and then when they get them they drop them. It embarrasses us because the boys then think we are like them. What can we do?

Dear J. and H.

Perhaps this is a rather feeble suggestion, but maybe you'll just have to start dating one of these boys to prove how wrong they are. Surely, just because you run around together means that you are not like peas in a pod. Girls may be very much alike, but still have very different opinions on dating and boys in general.

Madam Adam.

Dear Madam Adam:

I like Jay Miller, but he doesn't krow me. What shall I do?

Lonesome Gal.

Dear Lonesome Gal:

You have assured me that you like Jay Miller, but yet you say you don't know him nor does he know you. Pray tell, how can you like someone you don't even know. How to get to know him?-Introduce vourself. Madam Adam.

Dear Madam Adam:

There is a formal dance coming up and I would like to ask Tom Addison, but he is a junior and I am only a sophomore. I don't think he likes me very much, but I can't tell because he doesn't speak to me. What could I do to have him like ire, and also ask him to the dance? Almost Heartbroken.

Dear Almost Heartbroken:

If he doesn't know you, he can't possibly like you, and so ask him to the dance so you can become acquainted. That way you'll both get to know each other and-well, you'll have to wait and see what Madam Adam. happens.

Dear Madam Adam:

I am a junior boy and I have dated a senior girl. I would like to go steady with this girl, but I have just discovered that a certain senior boy sent her a love poem during her first hour English VIII class. What should I do? Worried. Dear Worried:

I shouldn't think you'd need to worry-so long as she didn't write the note. Had she written it you neight have reasons to doubt her sincerity but since she didn't you have (let's hope) nothing to fear. That's one way to attend a Senior Prom when you're a junior.

Madam Adam.

1st Pvt.: "Did you hear the first sergeant had a heart attack?'

2nd Pvt.: "I haven't even heard he had a heart."--Lone Star Scan-

Texan (on first cruise): "So that's the Pacific ocean. Somehow I had it pictured as being much larger.'



#### By Dave James.

Mr. Goldsberry, like most teachers, wants his students to get more out of what he teaches than just credit and a holiday in Chicago. He hopes to see his students benefit from his Social Living course by becoming wise, mature, and understanding citizens. If I recall correctly, my Social Living book taught me that mobs and mob violence are childish, dangerous and poisonous to the mind. It must have hurt Mr. Goldsberry a few weeks ago to see some of his own "students" taking part in a ridiculous mob scene which almost turned out to be a riot.

Briefly speaking—Don't miss the Glee Club's Spring Concert. Eddie Dean's latest hobby . . . climbing fences and discovering underground rivers . . . Good luck to our baseball and track teams . . The lock on Marilyn Moran's locker cannot be made to set for long periods of time. Why, dadgummit, why? . . . With the academic year three quarters past, just time for that final effort

Words with weight — He who barks all day is dog-tired at night.

Be seein' ya at The Glee Club's SPRING CONCERT Wednesday, April 25

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#### Bus Driver's Strike Affects School Life

The bus drivers' strike, which started last Monday, has had a very definite effect upon the functions of the school. However, the office announces that attendance has been normal.

Miss Moberg, who usually rides the bus to school, has been riding with co-operative members of the faculty.

The Office Practice girls, who go to work at the end of fourth hour have been getting rides with mothers who are giving time to chauffeuring.

Joyce Coffman, who works at Mishawaka's St. Joseph Hospital, guesses that she will have to "get out the horse and buggy."

Lunchrooms in the vicinity have been so crowded that some students arrive to school late for fourth hour classes.

Mrs. Pate and Mr. Deardorff both had normal turnouts for their early morning rehearsals. All Glee Club members who drive were asked to bring cars to the Tuesday night practice.

#### FNGLISH CLASSES SEE FILM

The first hour English classes of Mrs. McClure, Mr. Carroll, and Mr. Krider met at 7:30 yesterday morning in the Little Theatre to view the movie, "How Green Was My Valley" with Bette Davis.

The showing was made as an experiment to determine of what educational value the picture could be.

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#### A.H.S. Concert Band

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which were just off the press and were not published for band use until just recently. The sight-reading judge also recommended the group for a superior rank.

The win was especially gratifying since it is quite probable that with the large increase in enrollment due next fall, the band will move into Class AA out of the stiff competition, but it is also possible that Hobart will have a similar increase and move right with Adams. The band played in Class B for eight years.

Other results of Class B bands were: Hobart and Hammond Clark, superior; Goshen, Huntington, and Crown Point, excellent.

#### Glee Club to Sing

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Barher Shop Medley Becker The Rose of Tralee Glover
Boys' Double Quartet
Paper Reeds Thompson
A Russian Picnic Enders
Glee Club
Romance, Op. 5 Tschaikowsky Garnetta Turner, Soloist
Now is The Month of Maying Morley
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Margaret Strong—Florida
Janet Miller—Walkerton
Bill Simcox—in a house
Diane Stubbins—Alaska
Miary Jo Bingaman—California
St. Hastings—New York
Sue Robertson—Podunk
Barbara Swank—Upper Slobovia
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#### Spring Sports Get Start With Win, Loss, Tie

Track

The Goshen track team won both relays and grand-slammed in the quarter run to take a 63-46 win from the Adams thinlies. However, the Adams loss had its bright spots, but also its bad points.

Shenenberger, who jumped 5'11" for a first in the high jump, injured his foot on the hard ground around the pit. The seriousness of the injury was not known at press time, but it is not expected to keep him out too long

Geiger ran a very credible 100yard dash in 10.6 seconds. He was followed by Conrey and Pipke for an Eagle slam. Geiger also won the blue ribbon in the broad jump. Hoover, who is out for the first time this year, took second.

Jones ran to the first place in the mile run.

#### Baseball

A three-run splurge in the second inning and three more in the sixth gave the Adams baseball team a 6-0 win over Mishawaka last Tuesday night on the backlot diamond. It was the Eagles' first victory of the young season and also the first conference game.

Bruce Parker took the mound for the Adams nine and gave the Maroons only three hits.

#### Golf

The John Adams golf team opened their 1951 season with a 7½-7½ tie against Michigan City on the greens at City's Municipal Golf Club

Weissert took a 3-0 decision from Swanson and Helmer won  $2\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$  over Dwyer. Dickens also won, 2-1, over the Red Devil's Korn. Weaver and Swintz both lost 3-0 to Glossman and Vaughn, respective-

Teacher: "What is the plural of

Pupil: "Duet."

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#### Weather Holds Back Thompson's Golfers

Every year with the first green blade of grass also comes the first golf club. No sooner than the chill of winter is past do the golf enthusiasts begin to attack their sport of great skill and accuracy with fervor. However, this supposedly fair weather sport is not always played in the sunshine. Many are the days when you will find the boys teeing cff on a rain soaked green with an icy wind pushing them on. This has very definitely been the case in 1951-the team has not had a decent afternoon in which to practice. Their matches are rather close together so they are not likely to get too much time in the near future to polish their game.

Golf at John Adams is open to anyone; however, golf requires a bit more skill and ability than most sports. It takes many hours of practice before one can even begin to compete with a poor golfer. It is a game of patience and calmness.

This year as in the years past, Kermit Thompson is the smiling, jevial coach of the turf enthusiasts. Mr. Thompson is hopeful for a good season but regrets that no sophoniores came out for golf. He is concerned about his future teams. if there were enough sophomores interested in golf he might organize a "B" golf squad with scheduled matches to play. He extends a specai invitation to all sophomores. Mr. Thompson intends to hold instruction classes in the playing of golf out in back of the building every morning. He hopes that the sophomores will be interested enough to follow this course.

The golf team is made up of six men, the first four men being the most important. Out of all the boys who try out for golf six are picked

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### 1951 Golf Schedule

#### April

30-Plymouth, here

#### May

- 1-Mishawaka, there
- 2-Culver Academy
- 4—Central here
- 8—Michigan City, here
- 9-Niles, There
- 14—Valparaiso, there
- 18—Mishawaka, here
- 19—Golf Sectional
- 22—Central, there 23—Varsity vs. Faculty, here
- 26-State Tournament

by the scores they make on a particular night. The six lowest scores are the team members. They are first, second, and third man in the order of the lowest score. The team will practice at Erskine as in years before and their home matches will also be played there. The six who qualified for the golf team this year are Weissert, Dickens, Helmer, Weaver, Swintz and Barrett.

As far as Coach Thompson knows, the varsity-faculty golf match will be held as scheduled on May 23. In this match the teachers who play the difficult sport of golf will try their talents against those boys who tried out for golf in the spring. There is also a possibility of an intramural golf tournament. Those out for golf this year are: Paul Dickens, Tom White, Marty Weissert, Fred Helmer, Alex Weaver, Jim VanHorne, Tom Dugdale, Fred Swintz, Phillip Long, Dan Broderick, Jack Silvius, Gerry Schumacher, Burton Toepp, Bob Schermerhorn, Philip Twigg, David James and Tom Pozzi.

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#### A.H.S. Lettermen To Be Honored By Park Men

The John Adams lettermen will get a new treat this year when they are honored by the River Park Business Men's Association. The men feel that John Adams is a part of River Park and have been planning to do something for the Adams lettermen in the form of a banquet for several years. Heretofore they had held banquets for players of a single sport, but they feel, as does the school, that all of the men receiving monograms for participating in the athletic program should be equally honored. It is planned that the banquet and booster session will be an annual affair.

The banquet tentatively has been scheduled for Monday night, May 28, at the St. Joseph County Airport. The coaching staff and administrators will also be the guests of the association. The Business Wen are giving the banquet to show their appreciation for the work and energy that the Eagle lettermen exert in participating in the Adams sports program.

Mr. C. O. Stauffer is the president of the Business Men's Association. Doyt Allen is the chairman in charge of arrangements. He will be assisted by Paul Pearson and Emmett Fisher.

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