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Tower to Sponsor Sale of Indian Mockersins

To permit the Tower to operate as a self-supporting organization and to assist a young man from New Mexico to further his educational training at Notre Dame, the Tower will sponsor a sale of western mockersins.

The mockersins come in two styles, in a variety of colors and sell for \$4.95 and \$5.95 per pair. They are available in all sizes from four to nine, and special orders will be taken for boys requiring a size larger than nine, at a slight increase in price. The mockersins are on display in the library.

The sale will continue as long as there is a demand. After the order has been made approximately 10 to 14 days must be allowed for shipment.

Tower home room representatives and members of the Tower advertising staff will handle this sale. See them for further details.

Various A. H. S. Clubs Disclose Officers

LIBRARY CLUB. The Library Club has elected the following for the 1951-52 season: Pres., Jill Jacobson; V. P., Irwin Schragar; Sec.-Tr., Mable Jones; Social Chairman, Joan Wisch.

The following new members were initiated following a potluck supper October 3: Jeanette Borson, Marilyn Cole, Pat Connolly, Audrey Dempsey, Donna Hutchison, Carol Woodall, Wanda Ritenour, Kay Fisher, Thelma Demler, Priscilla Arbuckle, Betty Hulett, Gladys Miller, and Bill Swintz. A few of the initiation stunts were to fill a balloon with water by teaspoonfuls, to thread a needle while sitting on a barrel and to hobble around with one high-heeled shoe and one low one.

HI-Y. The new Hi-Y officers are: Pres., Bruce Parker; V. P., Fred LaCosse; Sec.-Tr., Jack Noyes; Treas., Bob Bock; Chaplin, Cliff Richards; Sgt.-at-Arms, Tom Addison.

JR. RED CROSS. Newly elected officers are: Pres., Marilyn Burke; V. P., Joyce Swingendorf; Sec., Dick Shaw.

The new council members are

Officers Lead Senior Class



The Senior Class of 1952 is off to a good start under the capable leadership of Jack Noyes, president; Bruce Parker, vice-president; June Crawley, secretary; Mary Ann Kenady, treasurer; Wilma Horvath, Fred LaCosse, Ed Conrey, Dave Boldon, and Phil Twigg, cabinet members; and Miss Puterbaugh, advisor. The first project sponsored by the Senior class was the full Moon Frolic.

THREE SENIORS ATTEND CONFERENCE AT DePAUW

The second annual DePauw College Conference for High School Seniors was held on October 5 and 6 at Greencastle, Indiana. Adams sent three representatives: Judy Campbell, Bruce Parker, and Jack Noyes.

The purpose of the conference is to provide educational guidance to seniors planning to go to college next year. This year the program included the following topics: "What Personal Adjustments Are Necessary in College Life?", "How Shall I Prepare for My Life's Responsibilities?", and "How Shall I Choose a College?"

The meals and lodging for the delegates were provided by the university. A feature of the weekend was the football game between DePauw and Ball State with an informal mixer afterwards.

Beverly Netherton, Jack Marquart, Norman Grimshaw, Geraldine Goepfrich, Paul Butler, Janet Burke, Jan Borecky, John Pence, Nancy Miller, Marilyn Hoffman, Donna Tennyson, Patsy Zeider, Ron Smith, Barbara Deepe, Don Baum, Estelle Zoss, Mary Rosenthal, Richard Bost, Nancy Parker, and Dan Kelver.

Judy Hunneshagen was appointed chairman of the committee in charge of the "get-acquainted" potluck luncheon held in room 107 October 3.

The council has decided to take over the sale of T.B. seals which

has formerly been handled by the nurse.

G.A.A.: The officers are as follows: Pres., Marjorie Klein; V.P., Kathleen Brady; Sec., Ingrid Schoenauer; Treas., Joan Nielson.

At present the G.A.A. is sponsoring two activities. Diane Myers is in charge of bowling and Rosie Brooks is chairman for Thursday afternoon swims at the natatorium.

DEBATE CLUB: The officers are: Pres., Marilyn Burke; V.P., John Smith; Sec.-Treas., Fred Lass.

The topic chosen for debate is "Resolved: That there be universal conscription in wartime." In about two weeks new students who are interested will give a speech on that subject and promising ones will be asked to be members of the Debate Club; others will be on the waiting list. The maximum number of debaters will probably be fifteen. This topic will be debated all year.

Y-TEENS. The officers are: Pres., Betty Verduin; V.P., Pat Fugate; Sec., Bea LaPlace; Treas., Betty Houston; Worship Chairman, Claire

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Internat'l Relations Council Discusses Current Events

The first meeting of the International Relations Council was held on October 2 in the Central Auditorium. The program was a round table discussion by Dr. Q. Wright, Dr. H. Finer, and Dr. H. J. Morgenthau, professors of Political Science at the University of Chicago. They discussed current affairs and the tension in the world since 1945—after which questions from the audience were answered. The speakers felt that American security would come through strengthening the U.N. and educating the American public. Also, that the main problem is not communism as a political philosophy but communism as a major weapon of Soviet aggression.

The next program will be a lecture by Pearl Buck, the famous author and speaker, on November 16.

Invitation Extended By Indiana Central

The Indiana Central College, Indianapolis, Indiana, extends to the juniors and seniors of Adams the opportunity to attend their High School Day on Saturday, October 20. Its purpose is to enable students to become better acquainted with a small liberal arts college. The program for the day includes discussion groups in the morning to learn more about the College, its facilities, and expenses. Lunch will be provided by the college and a football game follows.

Copies of the program for the day may be obtained from Miss Burns in the Guidance office.

NEW SPONSOR ADVISES STUDENT COUNCIL

Every Thursday morning the Student Council meets in the Student Lounge. Under the leadership of Tom Addison, president, and Mr. Hunter, sponsor, the student government group discusses phases of school activities for the good of John Adams.

Mr. Hunter was chosen sponsor this fall to replace Mr. Rothermel. It is Mr. Hunter's responsibility to give advice on laws of the school when there is a debatable issue, and to assist with parliamentary procedure.

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From the Editor's Scratch Pad

Every time I hear our national anthem played before football and basketball games or other programs, I am left with a feeling of coldness and regret. Coldness on the part of the audience and a feeling of regret on my part — regret that no one ever sings the song which represents our country all over the world. In the two and one-half years I have spent at Adams, only twice have I been able to sing the anthem by Francis Scott Key. Both of these times were as a member of the glee club.

When I was about six or seven, I can remember attending programs of various sorts with my parents. The only thing I can remember about these programs was that the entire audience stood and sang the first song of our nation before the activities began. Small though I was at the time, it made a lasting impression on my mind which will remain with me for a long time to come. It gave me a sense of security, something bigger than my immediate family or home. That something is our American country, our way of life which we have been studying in all of our schooling. Ever since we began school, an appreciation of our American heritage has been a part of our education. It began in kindergarten with a solemn but simple pledge of allegiance to our flag. In high school it ends with a study of our democratic form of government in civics.

Hitler symbolized his Nazism by the multitude's shouting of "Heil Hitler." Communism is spreading under the sign of the hammer and sickle and the term "Iron Curtain". It seems a pity when we have such a beautiful message in our anthem not to strengthen our beliefs, country, and selves by merely singing the song which begins, "O say can you see..."

Coming to think of it, just how many of you know the words to the song in question? I'll bet you a plug nickel you don't know all of them. So you won't be caught unprepared if and when you are given the opportunity to test your knowledge of our national hymn, why not learn the words? Here they are:

O say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thru' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thru' the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Et Cetera... Thanks to Mrs. Pate and the Glee Club for a swell assembly... this afternoon is our last football pep assembly, let's really show our cheerleaders and team that we're behind them...

Everyone Contented? Express Joys of Grade

SOPHOMORE YEAR

The joys, dear whiz! Who ever thought it was any joy to be a sophomore? I have acquired such an in-between feeling. I am--

too young to drive
too old to ride a bike

too dumb to open my locker
too proud to ask for help

too lazy to get up for school on time
too peppy to go to bed on time

too shy to speak to uperclassmen
too superior to speak to freshmen

too different to fit in Adams
too smart to leave

too silly to care about football
too serious about the players

too young to get my name in Tower
too superior to care

too noisy to keep my seat in Study Hall
too quiet to give a speech in English

too slow to get to class on time
too fast when I leave school at the ring of the bell

too graceful to play in gym
too clumsy to walk down the hall

too stupid to find the right room for class
too proud to admit it

too tired to have gym more than twice a week
too speedy for the newly waxed floors of John Adams

too old to like sitting in the balcony with the freshmen
too young to be comfortable in the Mezzanine with the juniors

too sophisticated to date Sophomores
too childish to be asked by the juniors

too confused to understand Latin
too busy noticing cute boys to concentrate on Latin, anyway

too scared to get in Glee Club
too confident to imagine I won't make it

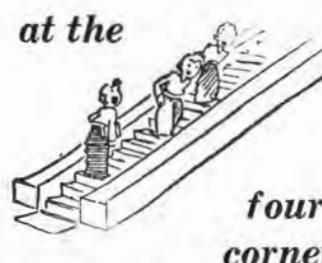
too young to know how to act on a date with an older boy
too old to accept a younger boy

too new to know the shortest route to classes
too scared to ask our teachers

too secluded in the hole-in-the-wall (Drafting Rm.) to know the activities of the school
too surrounded in the halls to have time to talk

too busy being a sophomore to know what it's all about!

--Sarah Walton



Who in English V class interest Sam Srohmader? Could it be Shar-on Ricker? How about it, Sam?

Rosie Schubert is now sporting Tom Addison's ring—Congratulations Tom! Other steadies: Patty Claxston and John Brant.

Triangle: Pam Marlin, Dick Leach, Harry Butler.

John Steinmetz and Marcia Heintzelman have broken the strings.

"Feudin, Fussin and Fightin"—Pat Dempsey and Janice Henson.

Mrs. McClure has been nominated as "Dorothy Dix" of the year.

Is there something between Jan-ice Rugee and Jim Dincolo?

You can always tell when Louis Finch gets up late in the morning—he comes to school with his shirt on inside out.

Say, Mardi K. tell us how it feels to have two boys. Bob and Dick.

Wonder why Ray Loar got off the haywagon. What say Ray?

We are glad to see Toby Priebe back in school after her appendix operation.

Gingie Steinmetz—the girl who makes you cry when she gives a speech in English.

Notice: Pat Light has the only car that can hold 16 (comfortably).

A request is made for the bookstore to sell chin guards and shoulder pads to aid us in getting thru the main hall.

Mary Franklin and Maggie Zombik seem to have interests in Three Rivers, Michigan. Hmmm.

The Nursery Rhyme Kids: Karyl Kintner, Ingrid Schoenaur, Carol Gross, Eleanor Earl, Mary Lou Getzinger, Jay Miller, Norm Asper, and Dale Vermillion.

Adams welcomes Patrick Gassemith a new comer in 102.

Were you friendly during "Hi Ya" week? Keep it up all year!

Central in the news: Kay Fisher and Jim Suathwood (Central alumni) have been together quite often lately. Also Phyllis Anderson and Mike Hanly (Central).

What's this we hear about Gary Puckett calling Dick Shaw "honey"? So nice to know there's a friendly attitude among our boys at school.

Wanted: A house available for a slumber party to comfortably sleep 20 Senior girls.

Reason: We're tired of doubling up in the refrigerator.

Outcomes: 18 hunchbacks and two frozen noses.

If you know of such a place, please notify owner to BEWARE!!

"It's wise to plan your future—that's where you'll spend the rest of your life."—Hoosier Farmer

On overwhelming majority of motor accidents last year were reported in apparently good condition.

Views of Joys From Opposite Ends--

SENIOR YEAR

Our senior year is our most pleasant year because we have finally reached the one goal we have dreamed of since kindergarten; we have more control over the activities of the school; the school is a part of us more than ever before.

You become more a part of a school the more you participate in the extra-curricular activities such as the different clubs; watching or participating in different sports, and going to school dances. Now that we are seniors we have become leaders in these activities and we are a part of the school more than ever before and the school a part of us.

These are just a few of the joys of being a senior. I'm sure there are many more.

--Su Hastings.

FRESHMAN YEAR

Ah, to be a senior — there would be pages and pages of joys to write about, but, horror of horrors, to be a member of that ghastly untouchable congregation of teen-agers called freshmen, what joys have we to write about?

The seniors have the privileges, The juniors have the cute boys, The sophomores have the dates, But we—we freshmen have hom-work!

Everyone knows how much we love homework. We beam with delight at having to stay up all night struggling with the conjugation of the Latin verb porto, or trying to figure out whether Ham-murabi was an ancient Babylonian ruler or is a new method for cooking pig meat.

Ah ha! A joy just came to me; the principal one of being a freshman is being able to look forward with anticipation, to the joys of being a sophomore, junior and senior.

Nancy MacIvor

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The Week's Eagle

Ed Conrey, the Junior Rotarian from 12A home room 103, is a member of the Monogram Club, Senior Council and is on the track team. Ed, who has blue eyes, dark brown hair, is 5' 7" tall and weighs 165, likes listening to jazz or the music of Jerome Kern and Irving Berlin.

"Bud" (as his friends call him) plans to go to I. U. and become a psychologist—he says he can look in people's eyes, or listen to them speak and tell what kind of persons they are.

Going to New York City was his most thrilling experience, and he has enjoyed the social life in school and out the most of anything at Adams. His favorite subject is Social Living for "the usual reasons." He most likes to see a girl wearing either a skirt and sweater or bathing suit "depending on where she is."

CLUB OFFICERS

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Pherson; Publicity Chairman, Mary Jo Jackson; Inter-Club Council, Joan Spillman, and Alderman, Charman, Charlotte Kronewitter.

SCREEN CLUB: This year's Screen Club has with the addition of new members also acquired a new sponsor, Mr. Neff. Assisting him in organizing the club are officers: Pres., Phil Lee; V. P., Bill Inks; assistant set-up, Jim Hatch; sec., John Walker, and treas., Jim Hatch.

Opinion of Next to Last Phase of High School

JUNIOR YEAR

All you seniors, don't read this-- you're happy-- and you can forget. This is for the sophomores and freshmen who have yet to see our sufferings. (I mean joys of course). This is to prepare you for your Junior year. Have fun while you may, for IT will come. Just like death, there it will be before you!

First of all, eat a lot this year, build yourself up. Have you ever seen those haggard juniors crawling down the hall, leaning against the wall when they can? Have you seen the lost looks in their eyes? How did they lose their weight, their vitality? I'll let you in on the secret—have you ever carried an 862 page book home every night and back in the morning? Not only do you lose weight but hope. All the future holds is history, HISTORY. HISTORY!

As you people walk down the street late at night, look up and see the upstairs lights shining in a few houses. That is where a junior lives. And where is he? Watching T.V.? Listening to the radio? Not the junior! He's slaving over a speech. That's why he seldom says much. He's saving his voice.

Now you are happy—but next year. Straighten up and enjoy life while you can. Someday you'll step into your junior year and then you'll find your hair graying. Beware!

They tell me even juniors have their consolations; sometimes they will give them four hours for something called "Stardust Cafe." Sounds fishy to me!

--Marilyn Moran

If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

--Mark Twain



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Rain Keeps Score Down as Culver Nips Eagles 6 to 0

The Adams Eagles traveled to the Culver Military Academy last Saturday afternoon to meet the Cadets in a football game in a rain-storm. After it was all over, the Eagles were victims of their fourth straight defeat by a 6-0 count.

Because of the wet and slippery turf, the score was held down and net gain from scrimmage was very low. Passing was held to a minimum, however, the Eagles completed three of the four aeriels that they tossed. The Cadets tossed only two passes, completed none, and had one intercepted.

Adams was kept pretty much bottled up in the first half. They spent most of the two periods in their own territory due to some very excellent punts by Chuck Brooks, a Cadet back. Most of his punts traveled close to 45 yards.

The wet grid and a strong Cadet defense also kept the Eagles from marking up a first down in the entire first half. Their total for the contest was only four, all coming in the second half.

Jack Norblad and Harold Pipke piled up most of the yardage for Adams. Norblad ran exceptionally well, as did Pipke, considering the condition of the field. One of the outstanding plays of the contest was Norblad's interception of a Culver pass and a runback of 47 yards. He eluded several would-be tacklers before being brought down by a host of Cadets.

Fumbles were very scarce despite the weather. Many fumbles were expected but both teams did very well. The Eagles bobbled the ball only twice.

Adams Wins and Loses Cross Country Meet; Eagles Beat Goshen and Lose to North Side

Last week the Adams Cross Country squad tangled with the Goshen and Fort Wayne North Side squads.

The Eagles took the Redskins by a score of 27-28; however, they were defeated by the North Siders 15-45. North Side also beat Goshen, 16-43. Bob Griswald of North Side took first place with a time of 9:56.

The men who placed for Adams the spot in which they finished are: Dave Jones, ninth; Chuck Connon, 12th; Dave Good, 16th; Roger Jurgovan, 17th; Joe Kreitzmann, 18th; and Norm Grimshaw, 21st.

The meet was run very fast as the first 21 runners were under 12 minutes.

CAN YOU PUT UP WITH THIS?

Jean had been naughty and had been sent into the den to "think things over." After a while she came out all smiles and said, "I thought and prayed."

"Fine!" said her mother. "That will help you to be good."

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'B' TEAM HOLDS MISHAWAKA SCORELESS 'TIL LAST MINUTE

The Eagles clash with the Cave-men Monday evening certainly proved to be a thriller. The lineup at the kickoff was: Shaw, qb; Sessler, fb; Loar, rlb; Stein, lhb; Goldsberry, le; Finch, rt; Elliot, lt; Thompson, rg; Zinman, lg; and Dempsey, c.

In the first quarter Sessler intercepted a Mishawaka pass and ran the ball for a 20-yard gain. He also made a beautiful tackle when a Caveman looked as if he was in the clear. Stein made a perfect end sweep run and gained 25 yards for the Eagles.

A touchdown by Mishawaka was called back because of a personal foul called against them. The game remained scoreless until the last five minutes of play. A Caveman caught a long pass into the end zone and was over for a T.D. We blocked the kick for the extra point. The team tried desperately for that last minute touchdown but the time ran out and the game ended, Mishawaka 6, Adams 0.

This was certainly a tough game to lose. The team was in there giving it all they had. They played beautiful defense as well as offense.

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