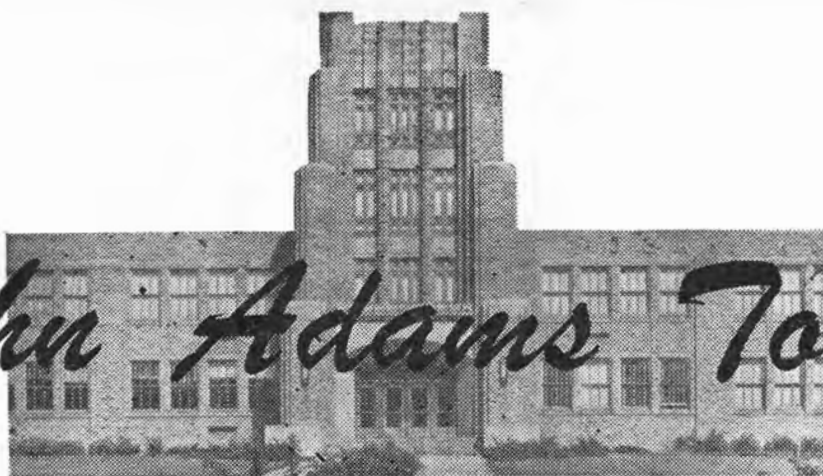


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'Youth on Trial' To Give Defense For Teen-Agers

On November 7 at 8:00 in the Central auditorium a program will be presented by a youth committee made up of Student Councils from South Bend and Mishawaka, Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts, Council of Churches, the Junior N.A.A.C.P., and other organizations.

The purpose of the program is to explain to the adults of the community the concrete contributions of youth to the community. A skit, "Youth on Trial," will be given to help carry out the theme. Playing the defense attorney will be Bob Thompson. John W. Ashton, Dean of Education at Indiana University, will be the main speaker of the evening and also the judge in the skit. Marlene Scholnik is the chairman of the program and Dick Shaw is the Adams representative.

The South Bend Junior Chamber of Commerce is the senior group backing the youth program.

PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED IN SOPHOMORE GUIDANCE

The sophomores are in process of planning their own guidance activities for the school year 1951-52.

Early in the semester, through the use of several methods, each member in each of the 10B home rooms had an opportunity to express his ideas that he wanted to have included in the year's program.

On Tuesday, October 2, a committee consisting of representatives from each home room and the home teachers met to report the items suggested. The committee found there were four big problems represented: My School Problems, My Home Problems, My Social Problems, and My Future Problems.

The committee decided the most important problem was the Social Problems one and immediately began to schedule meetings and activities. The first meeting was on October 9 with Mr. Rothermel at which the question of clubs was discussed. This was followed by small home room discussions during which questions still unanswered were discussed.

At a second meeting of the committee they planned a series of film lessons on teen social problems followed by home room discussion (continued on page three)

Board Members for Drama Club



The board members of the Adams Drama Club are pictured above. They are: left to right, third row: John Smith, Richard Sanderson, Dale Gibson, Robert Thompson; second row, Mary Demos, Mary Ann Kenady, Beth Hodge, Judith Campbell; front row, Marilyn Burke, Barbara Lennon; insert, Jay Miller, president.

The club under the sponsorship of Miss Kaczmarek is at present working on organization and future programs for meeting. The trip taken to Chicago annually will be scheduled as soon as a play of enough merit comes to Chicago. The next meeting will be held November 13 in the Little Theater.

Seniors Plan Their Guidance Activities

Seniors are planning their guidance activities for this school year. Representatives from each home room met with home room teachers on Thursday, September 7. At this time they reported suggestions that had been made by members of their homerooms. After all the suggestions were recorded the committee found four areas of interest to seniors. They were College Jobs, Marriage, and Emotional Adjustment to Life.

The representatives of the homerooms then became chairmen of

planning committees for each area. They decided to have co-chairmen and to have each home room represented on each committee.

The Job Committee has met several times and set Tuesday, October 30, at 8:25 in the Little Theater as their first of a series of meetings. At this meeting Miss Billie Boggs of Boggs Business Service discussed "Opportunities for Work in This Area" with seniors who expect to enter the business and industrial field after high school.

The College Committee also has planned a series of activities for those seniors interested in attending college. On Tuesday, October 23, at 8:25 in the Little Theater a panel consisting of Judy Campbell, Jack Noyes, and Bruce Parker reported the College Conference they attended at DePauw University on October 6.

On Thursday, October 30, in room 106 Mr. Kent Morse, Admissions Counselor of Earlham College, at Richmond, Indiana, discussed with the college group "The Liberal Arts College."

November 6 and November 13 (continued on page three)

Halloween Dance Tonight at Palais Given By Civitans

The annual Halloween dance, sponsored by the Civitan Club, will again be given at the Palais Royal tonight. No admission will be charged, the only requirement being a high school identification card and the Civitan pledge ticket. Dancing will be from 8:30 to 11:30 with the band of Bud Simpson musically presiding. The many valuable door prizes offered will add to make the evening even more profitable.

The dance is open to all senior high school students of South Bend. The Civitans also sponsor every year a Halloween party for elementary and junior high school age children. These activities provide wholesome entertainment for youth of all ages of our community.

This year three students from each of the eight South Bend high schools will aid the Civitan Club in preparation for the affair. Those representing Adams are Clara Ferraro, Joe Kreitzman, and Dick Smith. Previously the Student Forum served in this capacity.

FORUM ON STUDENT AFFAIRS HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The first meeting of the Forum on Student Affairs was held at Riley Thursday, October 18, at 2 p.m. All of the eight public and parochial schools were represented. Those attending the meeting from Adams were Marilyn Moran, Beth Hodge, and Tom Addison.

The continuation of the "Junior Town Meeting of the Air" series was discussed by the group. Mr. Robert Drane from WSBT was also present to aid the Forum in its planning.



November 1

Open House 7 to 9 p.m.

November 2

Football—S. S. Ft. Wayne, here

November 3

End of first grade period

November 12

Football Banquet

November 13

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From the Editor's Scratch Pad

Halloween comes but once a year. Everyone who owns a car, garage can, windows, or screens sighs a sigh of relief at this fact. This is the time of year when the offspring of these people let loose all of the emotions and troubles they have had bottled up in them since last October. They cast aside all of the manners they have been so carefully taught and manage to make general nuisances of themselves. This seems fairly natural to me. In most cases there is no real malice behind these deeds — just a continuation of a custom that has been in existence for quite a while in our country.

This is by no means an excuse for the real vandalism committed by a few. They have behind their actions more than just a custom. These are the sort who have no other way to win recognition. They can't get their name or accomplishments in the paper because they excel in any acceptable activity; only by doing something so harmful that people have to sit up and take notice. These are the weak brothers and sisters of our school, community, and nation. These creatures have no spine, for without the protecting veil of darkness they have no security. The light of day blinds them to the goodness and warmth of life. Friends are non-existent to them, so to gain some form of association with people, they make enemies. What a pity it is that these people can't enjoy the wonderful things life has to offer them.

To those of you who must roam the streets tonight, soap in hand—I can't say don't, it wouldn't do one speck of good if I did, but please keep it in good fun. Windows can be washed, but not pieced back together again. And to those with a conscience, those who find homework more important, you will receive a "thank you" although not spoken, from homeowners all over who dread this night and the morning after as they dread no other night in the entire year.

Et Cetera The North Central Chorus and Orchestra certainly gave an unforgettable performance. . . Let's all support our football team in their last game Friday. . . All you have to do to scare anyone lately is to yell, "Mumps!" . . .

Common Plaintive Voiced Against Tyrannical Dictators

by "Comrade" Toepp

We, the high school students of America, have a problem worse than any faced by the statesmen of this era. This problem is something which is unavoidable; it is forced on us by tyrannical dictators who have no concept of how necessary and important extra curricular activities are to us, the oppressed. They seek to destroy, through this tool of their diabolically warped minds, any type of enjoyment due to the lowly high school student. No one reading this could now possibly be unaware of the problem to which I am referring—it is homework.

As far as it has been traced the first homework was demanded of an innocent little prehistoric scholar. He was to write an essay on how he liked school. Now this little lad didn't like school and stated such in his essay. So, forever after just for spite that teacher made the small lad and all his small classmates do a daily assignment to be done at home.

This lust for revenge has been carried down as a tradition from the stone age to the stone headed age. We, the students of today, are under the worst strain of all. The teachers are giving us homework which they say will take only "a few minutes." How in the world can you do homework when your favorite program is on the air? This extra curricular activity is far more important than any type of homework could possibly be—you see it shows you what to do in case you are stranded on the moon.

The teachers will try to tell you that Civics and English are more important—don't believe them. It stands to reason that you are much more likely to be stranded on the moon than to have to know what the U.N. is all about.

Fellow slaves, I entreat you — arise. Let us shake off this burden to our progress. It will lead to something that I am sure none of us modern youths want anything to do with — success!

PILE OF DUST TELLS TALE OF WOE

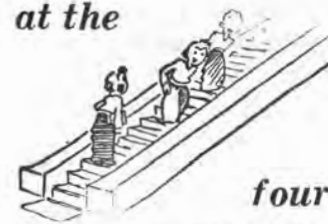
I may be only a pile of dust under the police seargent's desk, but I know that the easiest way to get dragged down here is to do vandalism on Halloween.

To people, Halloween is a time to have fun, but to us it's a time of tragedy. When I see people burning down garages, I think of them burning part of my family with it. When they break windows they break up some dust's home and when they soap windows, someone has to wash them and drown some of us.

As for me, I'm safe under the seargent's desk, no one ever looks here. But please be considerate of my comrades this Halloween!

"Dusty"

at the



four
corners

Boys! Take notice! Better look your best these days—the girls are getting their dates lined up for the Rainbow Sadie Hawkins Dance the sixteen of November.

We notice that Joe Swingendorf and Connie Lamont are again wearing Bob Bartol's (alum.) and Fred Helmer's (alum.) rings, respectively—but not going steady!

Rocky Ferraro is reported to have a secret admirer of late. A mysterious Diane. Hmm!

For a number of people Adams has become a school of seven periods! Wonder why?

What boy from Washington is Toby Priebe going steady with? Why doesn't she want his name known?

Barbara Crow and Roger Jurgovan seem to be "hitting it off" real swell. What happened to Dick Sessler, Barb?

It seems Nancy Kenady found a new interest on the Detroit trip. How about it Nan??

Why all the gray and blue all of the sudden?

"Love Lasts Forever"—Jo Tarr and Gerry Graf (alum.) are still going strong.

There seems to be quite a discussion about the difference between a Bull Session and a Lemon Session. Anyone knowing the answer, contact Mary Demos.—She's curious.

Howe are things, Sarah Walton?

Bill Blue has added a case to the English language. Bill says there are now four cases. Nom. Obj., Possessive, and Suitcase.

On October 16, 1951, the 10B English III class had a real treat. Rosemary Cox gave a self debate on who came first—Chicken or Egg. After a discussion which followed the class decided Miss Farmer should teach Biology.

John O'Brien is getting quite a following: Donna Tennyson, Phyl Anderson and Mary Ann Hawblitzel.

The sixty-four dollar question: "Where does Tom Ferral get all of his gum?"

Barbara Rasmussen seems to have acquired a body guard. Must be nice, eh Barb, to have someone wonder where you are all the time.

Nancy Platt and Mary Clark seem to have new admirers! Who are they, girls??

Carol Bourdon is still recovering from the shock of Buzz getting a black eye at the Central-Adams tilt.

Dick Shaw was seen at "Tobias and the Angel" with Judy Hunnes-hagen.

Our sympathies to Jay Miller and Gail Witt. . . Wouldn't you rather come to school than have mumps?



The Week's Eagle

Marilyn Burke is Debate and Junior Red Cross president; orchestra vice-president; and a member of Drama Club Board and the band (where she plays the flute).

Outside of school she is president of her Youth Fellowship group (First Methodist, Mishawaka), and belongs to the City Junior Red Cross Council and Rainbow for Girls.

Marilyn enjoys swimming, tennis, music, sewing, reading, and knitting. She loves to eat and her favorite foods are "Sloppy Joes" and Ginger Ale. Her favorite music includes "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" and The New World Symphony. Her favorite subjects now are physics and civics mostly because she enjoys the teachers. She most likes to see a boy wearing a sports coat.

Marilyn has blue-green eyes; brown hair; was born August 17, 1934, is 5' 6½" tall and weighs "enough to be a football player" (she says). She goes by the nickname "Bunny" at camp and "a number of names that my sisters call me that I won't have printed."

Marilyn plans for a career in medicine and can't decide whether to enter college at Western Reserve, Northwestern, or Carleton.

She most admires in people the qualities of friendliness and neatness in appearance. She detests a fast line from a boy. She remembers last year's Detroit trip as the experience she most enjoyed at Adams and her two biggest thrills of a lifetime were seeing Arthur Rubenstein play and her first date.

GOOD GROOMING DISCUSSED IN ASSEMBLY FOR GIRLS

Miss Mary Stuyvesant, a representative of the Pond Cosmetic company, was in South Bend Oct. 29 and 30 to discuss good grooming with the girls of the South Bend schools. Adams girls had the pleasure of hearing Miss Stuyvesant during third hour on Tuesday, Oct. 30. The girls assembled in the center section of the north mezzanine and north bleachers. Marlene Shcolnik introduced Miss Stuyvesant.

PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED

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periods. The films have been ordered but have not been confirmed.

The planning committee consists of Don Briggs, June Bartels, Richard Deidrich, Sharon De Rose, Milton Kreml, Sally Kissinger, Darlene Miller, Dixie Nidifer, William Rosen, Robert Walcott and Ann Williams.

If a person spends sixty percent of his time minding his own business and forty percent letting other people's alone, it's easy to figure how much time he has for getting into trouble.

—Anon



CLUB NEWS



Jr. Red Cross Club: The get acquainted potluck luncheon of the Jr. Red Cross Council was held October 3, Miss Nickerson, new Red Cross director for South Bend, was guest at this luncheon. Nancy Miller and Marilyn Burke were elected as city council representatives. Janet and Marilyn Burke, John Pence, and Paul Butler were hosts at a city meeting of elementary school council representatives which was held Saturday, October 20.

Debate Club: Students interested in Debate club gave five minute talks on "Resolved: That all American citizens should be subject to conscription for service in time of war."

These tryouts were held in Room 109, Wednesday, October 24.

Y-Teens: The Y-Teens made their new members as conspicuous as possible during their initiation a month ago. Straight hair, pale faces, and clashing colors were the prices girls had to pay to become members of the club. The National Y-Teens project is to send Christmas gifts to foreign lands and our club is sending chocolate to Japan. Each month there is an inter-club meeting held at the YWCA. Our representatives are the president, Betty Verduin, Joan Spillman and Charlotte Krone-witter.

Ushers Club: The John Adams Ushers Club is having a busy season. They are doing a fine job at all the football games at School field. They also ushered at North Central Teachers' Conference October 25 and 26, the Vaughn Monroe Show October 27, and South Bend Symphony October 28.

Hi-Y: The Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Clubs of the area met at Camp Eb-erhart for Retreat over the October 20-21 weekend. The activities included speeches, discussions, fellowship, and recreation. There were talks given by several prominent people and the featured speaker was Glen Pyre, who spoke on "Boy-Girl Relationships in Today's World." Bruce Parker gave his impressions of the National Hi-Y—Tri-Hi-Y Congress. Bruce, president of the club, attended the conference this summer. The Adams boys presented a model induction service to show how the Adams initiations are conducted.

GAA: The GAA is continuing their successful two-sport program. The girls are enjoying the Wednesday swims and bowling each Thursday.

Everybody Loves a Blind Date ? ?

MASCULINE VIEW

If you are planning to have a blind date,
Perhaps I'd better elucidate:
Though some disapprove
It surely behooves
Us to enter upon a debate.

We'll start with two fellows who
decided to be
Brave enough to date Jane and
Marie.

Here were two guys
In for quite a surprise —
As you will now readily see.

Joe was all brawn, Jane the same
kind —
They got in a tussle,
Jane lost her bustle,
So Joe had to act half-blind.

John was the shy type, Marie from
the sticks.
She liked him so much that he
couldn't say nix.
They cared not to tarry
But decided to marry
And raise their own family of hicks

The point of this story has just
been to show
What could happen to you on blind
date — so

If you're disappointed
'Cause she's not double-jointed
'Twas your own idea, you know!
Bruce Parker

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the Paper,
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read it first.

FEMININE VIEW

He will be tall and handsome
Not too fat or thin
"A knight in shining armour!"
That's how I picture him.

He'll drive a Buick convertible
And will have scads of money
When they see him, the girls will
say,
"Oh! Isn't he a honey!"

--There's a knock at the door
My heart's all a flutter
(Oh! does my hair look right?)
"C-C-Come in," I stutter.

He's not very tall
And he's terribly thin,
And to top it all off
There's freckles on his chin.

And the car at the door
Is a Ford — '37
(This will be one evening
Not spent in heaven.)

Oh, He wears tortoise-shell glasses.
Is THIS all I rate?
But one can't be too particular
Especially on a Blind Date!!

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What would you do if a nilbog-boh peeked in your window?

Joyce Fox—I'd probably scream!
Shirley Jester—I'd pull the shade!
Jo Ann Hullinger—I would go out
and invite it in.

Nancy Weintraub—Scream!
Larry Spradlin—I'd shoot him!
June Bartels—I'd scream!
Don Smith—Peek back.

Mary Clark—I'd scream and run
and if I had my clothes on I
wouldn't do anything!

Marie Hall—I don't know.

Glen Stanley—I'd run out and grab
it!

Nancy Miller—Shoot it with a fire
extinguisher!

Nancy Platt—I'd put the window
down and pull the shade.

Alice Barry—I'd walk the other
way.

P.S.—A nilbog-boh is a hob-gob-
lin spelled backwards.

SENIORS PLAN GUIDANCE

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have been planned so that information concerning expenses, scholarships, kinds of schools, college daily schedules, adjustments to be made and similar items will be discussed.

Representatives from Purdue University will hold conferences with students interested in Purdue on Tuesday, November 20, in the Student Lounge and Mezzanine of the Cafeteria.

The College Committee is also planning several other activities for later in the semester.

Although the Marriage Committee and the Emotional Adjustment to Life Committees are not responsible for activities until the second semester they have had several meetings so far this fall.

The members of each planning committee are:

Colleke: Co-chairman, Mary Ann Kenady, David Boldon. Members: Jay Miller, Edward Conrey, Joan Tarr, Judy Hershenow.

Jobs: Co-chairman, Norma Eddy, Bud Parker. Members: Donna Leng, Jo Ann Turner, Mary Clair Hennion, Marilyn Benner.

Marriage: Co-chairmen, Ann West, Jackie Clemens, Jon Clauss. Members: Karen Kindig, Joann Rawles, Sandra Zimmerman.

Emotional Adjustment: Co-chairmen, Joe Landgraf, Richard Peterson, Paul Geiger, Virginia Rich, Rosemary Schubert, Nancy Guisinger, Karen Brown.

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