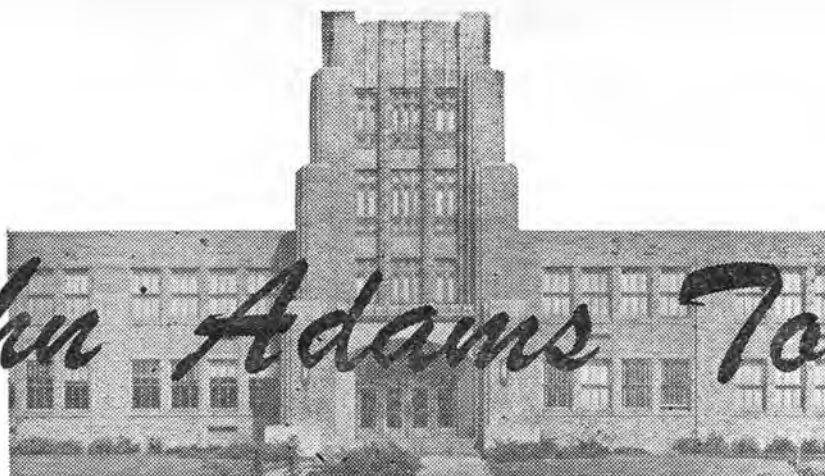


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Debaters Travel To Purdue For Conference

On November 30 the John Adams Debate Club took its annual trip to Purdue.

The group left at seven o'clock in two cars driven by Mr. Goldsberry and Mrs. Goepfrick. They arrived at Purdue at 10 o'clock, where they went to the Union Building for roll call and a welcoming address by Governor Schricker.

The day was spent at debates. The question was "Resolved, that all American citizens should be subject to conscription for essential service in the time of war". Several clinics were also attended. Friday evening the group attended the special banquet given for them. They were entertained by the Purdue Glee Club and the Purdue Players who presented "Macbeth".

Saturday morning was also spent attending debates and clinics that were provided for the benefit of the group. The group returned to South Bend at 5:30 Saturday afternoon.

Those who attended were: Karyl Kintner, Roger Stouffer, Bill Clark, Fred Laas, John Smith, Bill Roesch, Bob Bubenzer, Don Biggs, Quentin Everest and Geraldine Goepfrick.

BIOLOGY STUDENTS VISIT NATIONAL MILK COMPANY

On the morning of December 7, twenty-five students from the Biology III class toured the National Milk Company. The various processes through which milk must pass from the time it is brought from the farm until it is ready for distribution was explained by the guide. The tour was taken in connection with the class study of bacteria and how the pasteurization of milk helps to combat harmful bacteria. As instructor of the class, Miss Burt acted as the faculty advisor.

DE FORD NEW KIWANIS

Larry DeFord, a Senior from room 106D, is our new Kiwanis Representative. He takes the place of Harry Wickiezer, a Senior B from room 106M. Larry will attend the meetings for the last nine weeks of this semester.

G. C. Members Contribute to Success of Vespers



The soloists and outstanding glee club members are left to right: first row, Joan Shotola, Jo Ann Rapp, Doris Phillips, Sharon Watson, Jackie Clemens, Flora Mason. Back row, Jay Miller, Bob Thompson, Jim Barrett, and Dick Northrop.

Teas Highlight Pre-Christmas Season

NOON PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY STUDENT COUNCIL

The members of the Student Council are sponsoring programs every day at noon in the Little Theatre. Each Council member is responsible for one day of the program. One day each week is set aside for a movie, one for dancing, etc. Each week something new is featured.

Some of the noon activities which have already been sponsored are: A movie on the Lew Wallace vs. Adams game, ping pong, cards, and dancing. Music for dancing was provided by Mr. Hunter, saxophone; Jack Noyes, piano; and Gordon Smith, bass violin.



December 14

Basketball, Michigan City.
"Basketball Bounce"

December 16

Christmas Vespers, 4 p.m.

December 19

Basketball, Warsaw

December 21

Home Room parties, 2 p.m.
Schol dismissed, 3 p.m.

FACULTY TEA

The Home Economics I classes together with the Foods I classes are giving a tea for the faculty and officers of the P.T.A. to be held on December 19, in the library at 3:45 p.m. The general chairmen from the various classes are Suzie Frehse, Marcedis Wynns, Gayle Freels, Pat Holland, Larry DeFord, and Sandra Hoelscher. Several girls will serve on the following committees: invitations, decorations, clean up, food, serving, and hostess. Miss Shively and Mrs. Baumgartner are faculty advisers.

HOME MANAGEMENT

On December 20 the sixth hour Home Management class will give a Christmas Tea for the parents. The tea will be held in the home economics rooms. General chairmen are Nancy Guisinger and Marilyn Stebner. Ollie Scott is in charge of invitations and Clara Ferraro is in charge of decorations. The food chairman is Connie Lamont. The entire class will serve as hostesses.

December 22

Jr. Progress Club Dance, 9-12.

December 25

Rainbow Dance, 9-12 p.m.

Christmas Vespers Date Set For December 16

The Glee Club has several important dates on its December calendar. December 14 at 8:30 a. m. is the Christmas program for the school. Sunday December 16 at 4:00 p. m. is the annual Christmas Vespers service. The Christmas programs will mark the first appearance of the Glee Club in their new robes.

Leading soloists for the Vespers service are: Bob Thompson, Joan Shotola, Jay Miller, Fred LaCrosse, Sharon Watson, and Flora Mason. The accompanists are Sylvia Moran and Lynn Whitman.

The program will feature numbers ranging from the traditional Bach to those on the lighter side such as "The Sleigh" and "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Two hundred and sixty students are participating in the Sunday program. There are 110 in the Senior Glee Club and 150 in the Prep organization. The familiar carols will be sung by the combined groups.

The following week, the traveling choir will sing at two banks, The National Bank and First Bank and Trust Company. Buses will be provided for transportation.

They will also make a tape recording, as part of a play to be broadcast on Christmas Eve.

On Thursday, December 13, a group will sing at Sunnyside Presbyterian Church. Following the program the group will be entertained at a tea by the women of the Church.

HI-Y SPONSORS THIRD "BASKETBALL BOUNCE"

The third annual "Basketball Bounce" will be held in the Little Theater after the John Adams vs. Michigan City game on December 14. The Hi-Y is sponsoring the dance with Jim Rush and Charles Apelgreen as chairmen. The Dance Band under the direction of Mr. Deardorff will play in their first appearance this year. The price is 50 cents per couple; everyone is invited.

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From the Editor's Scratch Pad

LOYALTY OF SPORTS PARTICIPANTS

The following is an excerpt from the Indiana High School Athletic Association bulletin concerning the loyalty and appreciation of the team members of the various school sports. Although the article was written primarily for sports participants, I think perhaps it has a message for all of us as spectators.

"The privilege of representing his school as a member of an athletic team is a heritage of great value. Events of the past year have caused the public to be distrustful and cynical concerning the extent to which this privilege is appreciated. A few athletes have taken their cue from school systems which have encouraged questionable practices and from a national trend toward loose attitudes toward social responsibilities and consideration for the welfare of the group.

"The athlete of today has the added responsibility of restoring faith in the honest effort which motivates most competitors and of holding to the concept that participation is a privilege for the athlete rather than a favor rendered the school for a stated price in special privilege or in cash.

"There is inspiration and lasting satisfaction in the group loyalties associated with school competitive activities and with working for a cause. If the program does not stimulate these attributes, one of the greatest values in sports participation is lost.

"A school program which builds pressures to the point where the services of athletes must be bought through special privileges or dispensations is on dangerous grounds. It encourages an elastic moral fibre which stretches to include practices which, like dope habits, start as harmless as destructive forces with lasting effects.

"The current school athlete has the ball. His acts are being viewed more closely than ever before. The attitude of the public toward the sports program depends on him.

—Federation Press

Et Cetera . . . Say, wha' happen to the terrific school spirit Adams was so proud of? . . . Don't forget the Christmas Vespers this Sunday at 4:00 . . . only 5 2/3 days left until Christmas vacation. . . .

Speechonic Plague . . .

COMMON DISEASE AMONG ENGLISH AND PUB. SPEAKING STUDENTS

Starting when you are about to enter high school, you begin to hear many terrifying and weird tales of the "Speechonic Plague". You begin to become reluctantly curious. Then comes the vital hour when you enter English 4 class for the first day. Little is said about speeches until one day—

"Tomorrow you will come to class with a topic about which you would like to speak," says the teacher.

This is the point at which things occur rapidly inside your mind.

"What should I speak about?" you begin to wonder.

Alas, the more you try to decide the more worried you become; but nevertheless by the following day you have decided upon a favorable topic.

Now you are informed of the general procedure for preparing a speech. Before you so much as pick up a pencil, you must have a controlling assertion.

"Do you know what a controlling assertion is?" asks the teacher.

If your answer is, "No," then you are really in for it, because you will die a thousand deaths between then and the time when you know what a controlling assertion is upside-down and backward. You are also informed of the use of an outline for drawing up your speech.

"Now you are ready to begin work on your masterpiece," says the teacher.

Before this period is over there is one last parting word for the day (after the bell has rung), that no notes of any kind can be used while making your speech. There is a slight moan and groan, but to no avail.

After your allotted time has elapsed for your work, you come to class in the morning ready for anything. You stayed up most of the night learning your speech, slept very little, ate little for breakfast, and now feel a bit ill; but other than that you aren't even worried.

"She will pick names at random," is the word being passed around.

Therefore you try to be the smallest and most minute person in the room without crawling under your seat. The first name is called. "Wow! That was close—two seats ahead of me." Then the next and the next, but still your name has not been called. You look at the clock. Two minutes to go and the first day's speeches are over. Between then and the next English period, various encouraging people in your class come up and tell you how sorry they feel for you. You pay no attention, but go to class next hour. The routine starts: first speaker, second speaker, and Boing! . . . ME! The vibration of your knees somehow gets you to the front, facing the class. Everyone looks at you as though you had two

at the



four
corners

Mary Alice Wilhelm has turned her interest to Tom Beutter from Mishawaka.

Gayle Freels is going steady. The lucky man—Jim Williams (Central).

Jay Miller—the boy who stated, "I will never go steady"—is now hooked. Congrats, Joyce Balko. This proves that it is a woman's world after all.

Who is the "Tom" we hear Nancy Chizek talking about??? Seems he's from Mishawaka.

Masquerade Party???? No—just a trial in the III hour Civics class.

Mickey Jamison and Bob Ross alum) have been keeping mighty steady company as of late.

What could this "relaxation" be that the Senior girls talk about?

Million Dollar Question: What would you do with \$1,000,000? Ask anyone taking Public Speaking—they got "lots" answers.

Say, boys—Ask Sue Bennett to speak French for you. She certainly has picked up some "swell" phrases.

Adams really has a lot of new romances in the bud, including: June Bartols and John Steinmetz; Mary Lee Crofts and Joe Kreitzman; Pat Grant and Rocky Ferraro; Colleen Callsen and Dale Vermillion.

Seems Tom Addison didn't get enough "Health" when he was a Sophomore. Poor Tom!

New steadies are Sharon Coe and Jim Stevens and Margaret Sue Reed and Jim Worley.

Let us all give and give generously to the T.B. League Sale!

Joe Kline is certainly getting to be an intellectual: he even carries a dictionary around with him now.

And then every noon we see Louie Finch escorting Nancy Habart up the front walk.

FEMININE SHOPPING TIPS

Boyfriend Joe — Eight skeins yarn, light knitting needles copy of Argyles Made Easy. ("I'm too busy he'll have to make his own Christmas present).

Mother — Copy of Housework: but really Drudgery But the Best Way to Express Love and Devotion to one's Family (Parent psychology, you know.)

Father—Blank check book monogrammed with his own initials (someone has to pay for the Christmas presents.)

heads. You begin, anyway, with a slight wavering of the voice until most of the fear leaves you and things proceed quite satisfactorily.

The only encouraging note is that up to this date no one has ever died from this plague (even though everyone believes that he has come the closest to it).

—Dave Boldon



The Week's Eagle

Dick Shenenberger, that 6' 3" basketball player known to everyone at Adams as "Shenny", is this week's eagle. Dick is Monogram club president and was captain of this year's track team.

Shenny, who was born October 30, 1933 and has light brown hair and blue eyes, plans to have a teaching and coaching career. He will enroll in Indiana University next fall.

His pet peave is "someone who boasts a lot" and he admires people who have achieved something or reached a high goal. Social Living is Dick's favorite subject because he is learning "something new". His hobby, quite naturally, is basketball; his favorite food is steak. He most likes to see a girl wearing a sweater.

Dick's biggest thrill in his life was placing third in the state in high jump.

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Listed my Christmas suggestions
So etch gift would be just right.

I decided to begin shopping early,
To be ahead of the Christmas mob,
But to really get started buying,
Turns out to be quite a job

Now bravely forth, my list in hand
I charge into the throng.
With Christmas Shoppers bargain bent
I battle all day long.

I'm up, I'm down, I win, I lose—
But finally reach a counter,
To find I've lost my precious list,
So there I stand and ponder.

I end up with a tie for dad
And hankies for my brother,
Some stockings for my sisters,
And for the rest I just don't bother.

When I stagger home at last,
I watch them trim the tree,

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By Janet Burke

Gal: "This is the man I'm going to marry, Ma. I know he loves me for when he takes me in his arms I can hear his heart pounding."

Ma: "Be careful, daughter. Your pa fooled me that way for three years with a dollar watch."

Look to it that those who deal with thee speak well of thee. And, life is too short to be little.

Recognizing the next important job ahead of you shows wisdom, and knowing how to do it means you have the skill, but actually doing it is the greatest virtue of all.

Some people give and forgive; others get and forget.

Think and Thank—two hints for making a pleasant day.

YOU THINK SO???

I want to be a senior
And with the seniors stand,
With fountain pen behind my ear
And notebook in my hand.

I wouldn't be a President,
I wouldn't be a king,
I wouldn't be an emperor
For all the world could bring.

I wouldn't be an angel
For angels have to sing.
I'd rather be a senior
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Shenenberger, Ferraro Pace Eagles to First League Victory

Adams' Eagles and Goshen's Redskins tangled in a loop tilt Friday evening on the latter's court with the visitors rolling over the Redskins by a slim margin of four points, 56-52.

After jumping off to a 21-12 first quarter lead the Eagles well-balanced attack was never headed.

Once again the Adams starting five divided the scoring with high point honors going to Dick Shenenberger with 16 tallies. He was followed by Rocky Ferraro with 14 points and Bruce Parker with 12. Cuyler Miller collected 11 and Larry Kedzie tossed in three free throws.

Adams stiff defense cut short Redskin threats in the closing minutes. Bruce Parker rebound work stood out.

Goshen starter the tilt using a fast breaking system which proved to be ineffective as the Eagles tight man-to-man defense stalled the ball.

Rocky Ferraro started the scoring with a layin and a free throw and after that the well-balanced Eagles took turns pouring points through the nets.

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Eagles Lose to Spirited Culver Quintet 45-38 Surprising "B" Team Clips Goshen and Culver

Definitely playing a different brand of ball than when they defeated Goshen, the Eagles fell victim to a small, but fast Culver team 45-38, in a poorly played tilt, in the Adams gym Saturday night.

The Eagles lead 12-11 at the first quarter gun, but thereafter everything they did seemed to go wrong. They were off from the field as well as the gift line. They connected on only four out of fifteen from the charity circle.

Culver grabbed their share of rebounds despite their lack of height. Bruce Parker departed after collecting three personals before the half and was missed sorely by the Eagles.

The Indians from Culver used ten players in their lineup and all broke into the scoring column. This is a rare feat in high school circles.

Dick Shenenberger's fancy shooting in the third period narrowed the margin to 31-29 but the Indians broke through the Adams defense to ice the game.

Sparked by Tom Winship, the Adams 'B' team beat Culver in a close affair. The first half was very rough with the Eagles escaping with a 17-12 lead. The Indians started rolling in the third quarter and when it ended the score stood 24-23 with Culver leading. In the last quarter Tom Troeger entered the game at the pivot spot, and Adams tied the game up 28-28. In the next ten seconds the Eagles scored six points to ice the game. The final count was 35-28.

"B" BASKETBALL

The Eagle "B" team marked up a victory last Friday night by upsetting Goshen, 33-31. The game got off to a fast start as Goldsberry and VanHorne hit time and time again. By the end of the first period the Eagles had a comfortable lead 13-7.

In the second quarter the Redskins held the Adams quintet to a lone point and moved ahead at the half 18-14.

The second half was a recap of the first. The third quarter score was 32-29.

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BULLETIN

The high school basketball playing season began November 1 and closes on the date of the final day of the I. H. S. A. A. sectional tournaments, which is March 1, 1952 this year. All students who desire to be eligible for any sports under I. H. S. A. A. rules must confine their independent playing to the period beginning November 1 and ending on the final day of the I. H. S. A. A. sectional basketball tournaments.

CENTRAL SWIMMERS DROP

EAGLES; INTRAMURAL SCORES

John Adams lost their first swim meet of the season to the powerful Central Bears 60-7. The best Adams tankers could do was to place third; they took seven of these. Jerry Jennings lead the Eagles with two third places while Garry Puckett, Bob Johnson, Bob Heiland, Norman Grimshaw, and Jerry Wiseman each had one.

Charley Powell and Dale Vermillion's intramural squads remain the only unbeaten teams as the tilts enter their third week. Scores from last week were: Geiger 25, Peterson 20; Vermillion 31, Scruggs 29; Powell 31, Addison 20; and Briggs 24, Vandenburg. 21.

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