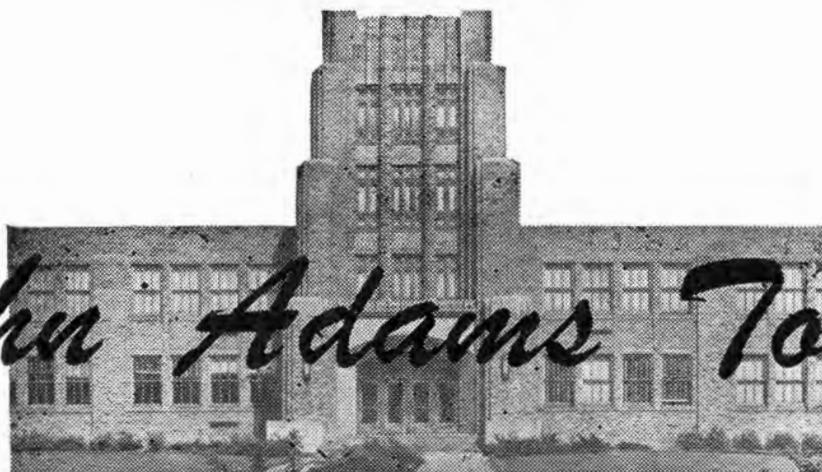


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## Let's Go Adams! We Want More Like '44



### Eagles Fill Roll of Sectional Darkhorse



COACH WARREN SEABORG

Pictured above, front row, left to right, are: Dick Quealy, Larry Van Dusen, Bob Klowetter, Tom Troeger, Tom Goldsberry, and Sam Rice; second row: Walt Poehlman, Chuck LaPierre, Dick Green, John Waechter, and John Robbins. The insert is Jerry Thompson.

### ADAMS TO AID BILL DENNEY FUND

February 19, 22, 23 have been designated as "Bill Denney Days" at Adams.

Bill Denney, a Riley alum, was one of four South Bend young people in an automobile accident last October just outside Ann Arbor, Michigan, in which one girl was killed and the other three occupants seriously injured. A blowout caused the accident in which the students' car was thrown head on into another car.

Bill is still confined to St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor. The complete paralysis of his left side and the crushed chest condition have improved but his left leg is still paralyzed and the length of his hospital stay is indefinite.

Hospital bills alone have amounted to more than \$6,000 already, exclusive of doctors expenses, so Bill's friends are trying to collect money to help his family defray some of these expenses.

Cannisters for Adams students offerings will be found on the cashiers tables in the lunch room, in the library, in study hall 106, and at the Four Corners. Clubs are encouraged to make contributions and recognition will be given for each group's donation when the total sum collected at Adams is sent to Riley for Mr. Dake to present to the Denney family.



Our petite, new office girl, Mrs. Irene Nidosik, came to Adams on February 1. She has worked in the School City Administration Building since she graduated from Washington High School in 1950.

Her three big interests are her husband and her two sons, Johnnie, 2½, and Gary, 1. She likes to watch TV; her favorite programs are "Dragnet," "The Web," and "Jackie Gleason." Football is her favorite sport.

The Washington graduate decline comment on the one Adams basketball game she has seen. Now, what could her reason be?

Mrs. Nidosik thinks the Adams students are very courteous and show good school spirit. She says she is conscious of an attitude of co-operation and friendliness between Adams students and teachers which she has not seen other places.

Mr. Leo C. Petelle of Chicago, Illinois, a senior at Notre Dame, is Mr. Roop's student teacher. Mr. Petelle is majoring in education at the University.

Mr. Petelle's interests lie in sociology, reading, and lively basketball games. He plans to be here at Adams until the end of the semester and after graduation would like to

### Twelve Compose Assembly Committee

The assembly committee at Adams, composed of four faculty members and eight student council representatives, plans all the assemblies which involve paid entertainment. Miss Kaczmarek, Mr. Deardorff, Mrs. Pate, and Mrs. McClure, who is the faculty chairman, together with Tim Petit, Bob Harbin, Marsha Root, Bonnie Hewitt, Kathy DeLeury, Kent Keller, Joan Misch, and Harry Butler, decide what programs should be used from the standpoint of the ones most valuable to the student body. The students on the committee make the preparations for the assemblies such as gathering the necessary equipment and securing a chairman. At present, the committee is planning next year's assemblies and any suggestions will be considered.

Kent Keller, student chairman of the committee, thinks that these students have a good opportunity to see what is involved in planning an assembly and that better assemblies can be planned by combining the viewpoint of the students and teachers.

obtain a position in the South Bend schools.

Mr. Petelle liked and appreciated the nice welcome given him by the Adams' students and likes the John Adams spirit that he saw in our recent pep assembly.

### STAR DUST CAFE TO BE APRIL 10

Plans are shaping up for the annual Star Dust Cafe, to be presented on April 30, by the junior class.

For several weeks the junior cabinet, made up of representatives from each junior home room, has been making plans for this affair. This committee, headed by Bob Nelson, has chosen "The Sidewalks of New York" as this year's theme.

Steve Brannan is in charge of the ticket committee; Jim Dincolo, decorations; Eric Greenhut, favors. Bill Weachter and Nancy MacIvor are co-chairman of the floor show. Gerald Vascil is heading the refreshment committee; Mardi Kline, publicity; Suzie Frehse, invitations; and Fred Dressel, clean-up.

### SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Saint Mary's College is holding its annual competitive scholarship examination on March 20. The scholarship is sponsored by the South Bend-Saint Mary's Club and is worth \$450, which covers tuition and general fees for a day student for one year.

Any senior girl who is in the upper half of her class and can meet Saint Mary's entrance requirements is eligible to compete. Applicants for the scholarship should apply by letter to their high school principal before March 6, 1954.

For further information, see Miss Burns.



## HATS OFF!

This letter was received by Mr. Seaborg from Paul L. Harrison, Secretary of the Hartford City, Indiana, Kiwanis Club. (Editor's Note.)

Dear Mr. Seaborg:

During the John Adams-Hartford City game the other night, a group of us who sat together got to talking about what a fine group your team was. As the game progressed, a feeling seemed to develop among us that here was really a fine team, and win or lose, the type that represents a school and community of the highest standards, reflects the best in coaching.

After the game, the conversation drifted to remarks about not only the team, but the fans who came with them and what nice people and grand sports they were.

After talking it over with Coach Claude Weeks of Hartford City, we felt more than ever that we wanted to express to you our sincere appreciation of the great brand of sportsmanship you brought us in your team, your coaching staff, and your fans from South Bend.

When we visit you in South Bend next season, we are confident that our team and coaching staff will bring you the same brand of good sportsmanship, and we hope that our fans will be the same fine type of guests that you brought to Hartford City.

Sincerely,

Paul L. Harrison.



Feb. 19—Adams vs. North Side Fort Wayne — There

Feb. 20—Adams vs. Broad Ripple — Here

State Wrestling — Lafayette Jeff

State Swimming—Purdue

Feb. 21—Civic Music

Feb. 24—Sectional Tourney — P. M. School Dismissed at 11:35

Feb. 25—Sectional Tourney — P. M. School Dismissed at 11:35

Feb. 26—School All Day

Feb. 27—Sectional Tourney

## Happy Birthday Wishes

The most welcome sight to the eyes of Joe and Jane Adams around lunch time is Ye Olde School Lunchroom. Although comparatively new to John Adams it has rapidly become an important part of school life. Last Tuesday, February 16, our school lunchroom celebrated its first birthday. A special menu was arranged — roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, frozen peas, waldorf salad, bread and butter and "birthday cake" topped off with a candle.

One year has made a tremendous change in the operation and efficiency of the lunchroom. Last year at this time Adam's "new baby" was just setting its gears in motion. Potatoes and peas landed either on the floor or under the meat. The line moved slowly and the end customers were late for class. By third lunch hour we were eating hotdogs instead of ham loaf and jello instead of cake. But the "baby" grew and on its first birthday it sported a swift moving line and "disher-outers" with perfect aim and precision.

Hats off and a belated "Happy Birthday" to the John Adams lunchroom.

## Brotherhood Week February 21 - 28

February 21-28 is Brotherhood Week's twenty-first anniversary. The purposes of Brotherhood Week are:

To give people an opportunity to re-dedicate themselves as individuals to the basic ideals of respect for people and human rights which are essential to our way of life.

To dramatize the practical things that people can do to promote an understanding and realization of these ideals.

To enlist the support of a larger number of people in year-around activities to build brotherhood.

The Adams art department has placed on display several posters depicting the Brotherhood theme. The best posters were selected to be displayed at various public places in South Bend.

## Mystery Underclassmen

15 years old . . . 6'1" tall . . . 150 lbs. . . . blue eyes . . . brown crew cut . . . 9½ shoe . . . B team basketball . . . at the moment an eligible bachelor . . . formerly from Jefferson . . . quite a party boy, stag . . . going to be a fireman, likes to drive around in a red truck . . . 2nd hour geometry . . . cute but quiet.

Blue eyes . . . 15 years old . . . 118 lbs. . . . naturally curly blond hair . . . 5'2½" tall . . . 5½ shoe . . . Drama, Glee, Tower, Student Council . . . currently dating Tom Sternal . . . came from Jefferson . . . pet peeve is people who crack their knuckles . . . likes a certain maroon Studie . . . a regular lil' chatterbox.

15 years old . . . Freshman . . . 140 lbs. . . . brown butch . . . 5'8" tall . . . 10 shoe . . . hazel eyes . . . Freshman basketball . . . a sucker for skirts . . . is occupied as of now by a B team cheerleader . . . spends summers at Diamond Lake . . . dig those moonlight sails . . . holds first place on the best dressed list at Adams.

5'4" tall . . . brown hair . . . brown eyes . . . 120 lbs. . . . size 7 shoe . . . another graduate of Jefferson . . . often seen in a two-tone green Buick . . . blushes when embarrassed . . . private property of Vandy . . . likes a certain pale blue sweater especially well . . . has an "ace" recreation room and records to boot . . . 5th hour typing.

5'8" tall . . . 130 lbs. . . . brown eyes and hair . . . size 8 shoe . . . only girl at Adams who wears sunglasses in mid-winter . . . used to go steady with "Heinie" . . . likes boys 6' tall and over . . . rivals Sally Buchanan when it comes to wearing cashmere sweaters with jeans . . . loves big get-togethers.

6'2" tall . . . 170 lbs. . . . light blond hair . . . sometimes called "Whitey" . . . 16 years old . . . Junior A . . . blue eyes . . . Varsity basketball "dead-eye" . . . no strings attached to him, so far . . . also plays a mean game of tennis, baseball . . . likes Glen Miller's platters . . . restrained, but "whatta personality" . . . very studious when the need arises.

It's fine to talk straight from the shoulder, but it's better to talk from higher up.

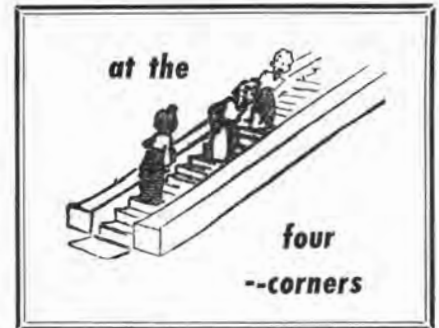
The game of life is the best game of all, and those who play it most successfully are friendly, helpful, and inspiring human beings.

Trouble is mighty sociable — it always goes where it's invited.

He that swells in prosperity will be sure to sink in adversity.

John Adams was the first President to occupy the White House. He moved in in 1800.

Happy Birthday to you,  
Happy Birthday to you,  
Happy Birthday, dear George,  
Happy Birthday to you.  
(Can't forget George Washington's birthday.)



Question of the week — Where do Tom Sternal, Bob Klowetter, and Larry VanDusen go during their lunch hour? They just nicely make it back before the bell. Fess up, fellas.

Currently dating: Wendy Heron, Tom Angus; Kay Cantwell, Chuck Oberlin; Bob Lent, Beverly Bourdon; Dick Swayzee, Jewel Reitz; Sandy Moritz, Bob Shula; Paul McElvin, Emalu Palm; Pam Marlin, Buddy Sweetow (I.U.); Dixie Benton, Bob Seese (steady.)

Seems Chuck Taylor doesn't know what he's missing when he walks into clothing class. How about that Carol Willhite?

Wadsziss?? Rosie Ferraro seems to be receiving secret messages from George Petoe.

### GO ADAMS!

Seems Dick Quealy can't find a dentist who knows a cavity from a hole in the ground. Dick had to make two trips down to Indianapolis before the N.R.O.T.C. board would give him a physical OK. Did Dick plan it that way?

Why for we hear that Shirley Jester gets walked home by a fish? No kidding — after the Roosevelt game.

A steady duo for more than three months are Jim Eveld and Jo Ann Koher.

One thing sure, you can't miss a senior. Just look behind the newspapers and there one is!

Notice to Seniors — Flunk now, avoid the June rush!

As we sit in the stands during basketball games we occasionally hear different names for the players. Frank Purple for Dick Green and Horace Silvernut for Tom Goldsberry are the most recent, but for the newest version hot out of the horse's mouth ask Bill Blue.

Three week-ends ago Northwestern University freshmen (specially Phi Gam pledges) staged a "walk-out" and invaded South Bend en masse. Naturally every available female was rounded up to give the fellas a big welcome. The visit proved valuable to a couple in our midst. Jewel Reitz and Mary Clark are receiving mail postmarked Evanston, Illinois.

### COME ON, ADAMS!

#### WE WANT MORE LIKE '44!!

Funny thing — all the erstwhile diets go up in smoke (literally) on week-ends of slumber parties. Heard frequently on the morning after the night before, "We consumed five loaves of bread, four jars of pickles, two boxes of potato chips, eight boxes of cookies, six pots of coffee, and on and on." (Down in Old Kentucky and Back!)

Hats off to Coach Seaborg! First time in a long time a pep assembly speaker hasn't taken the negative attitude!

ANSWERS TO QUIZ: Fal Harris, Gwen Garwood, Bob Walker, Sue Wood, Barbara Hatton, Dick Green.

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## CHUCK BOWMAN ELECTED MAYOR

Adams played an active part on the political scene, Monday, February 8. A rostrum of Adams boys belonging to Boy Scout Troop, Post 523, undertook the duties of our regular city officials from 8:30 a. m. to 10:00 p. m. Charles Bowman, having been elected honorary mayor, made the other official appointments, excepting that of Robert Nelson, who was elected to his post of city judge. His honor Bowman, appointed the following to their posts: Fred Dressel, city patroler; James Dincolo, city attorney; Steve Brannan, chief of police; Bill Dean, city engineer; Jim Warner, street commissioner, Donald Eberle, city planner; Mark McGlinchey, health inspector, and Kent Keller, councilman.

Chuck's first duty was that of greeting Mr. Skelton from Indianapolis, a food advisory executive accountant for the sewage disposal ordinance. His "honor" was rushed to the airport in a squad car with blaring sirens and was accompanied by policemen at all times.

"Mayor" Bowman described his contemporary, Mayor John A. Scott, as "the type that even smiles when talking to you over the telephone." He was on hand at all times to lend able and willing assistance to Chuck, and was in Chuck's words, "Wonderful."

In his capacity he inspected the new fire station at the corner of McKinley and Greenlawn. When asked if he was put on a definite schedule, he replied, "Things just always seem-



"What will you carry with you when you leave these 'Ivy covered walls'?"

**Nancy Platt** — "My mind, if I've still got one."

**Julie Harris** — "My memories, if they're not too heavy."

**Jewel Reitz** — "Mr. Krider's philosophies of life."

**Joanne Gersey** — "Me! If I survive my gym class."

**Joe Rich** — "Memories of the days I stood on those 'Ivy covered walls' for Mr. Crowe."

**John McNamara** — "Mr. Reber's pistol."

**Marilyn McGee** — "A crazy mixed-up mind."

**Joan Moore** — "Ivy!"

**Phyllis Anderson** — "I'll carry the memories of Mr. Crowe and our beautiful friendship." (Ha!)

ed to be popping up, so we took them as they appeared."

All of the boys were officially sworn in and their names will appear in the city records as such. Chuck may never again be a mayor, but he has an official document to prove to his grandchildren that he really was one once.

## A Senior Airs Her Peeves and Problems

1. Trying to figure out men.
2. Getting good grades and not studying.
3. Getting my driver's license and getting my folks to trust me with the wheels.
4. Getting up for 7:30 Glee Club (oh, my aching alarm-clock-jangled-brain.)
5. Contending with that short "B" lunch hour.
6. Thinking up new reactions to Mr. Krider's literary offerings.
7. Washing and ironing gym clothes (so I want to live in filth, so let me!)
8. Working out those sickening molecular weight problems in Chemistry.
9. Finding some place to go for lunch during noon hours on Mondays.
10. How to keep a secret but still let the "right" one know.
11. Squeezing an A out of Mr. Litweiler (you've heard about his famous 600 points in Biology.)

—Sally Kissinger.

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## MENU OF SONGS

### Beverages:

"Tea for Two"  
"Forty Cups of Coffee"  
"Moonlight Cocktails"  
"Cocktails for Two"

### Dinners:

"One Meat Ball"  
"The Navy Eats the Gravy, but the Army Gets the Beans"  
"Cold, Cold, Corn Bread"  
"Pickle in the Middle and the Mustard on Top"  
"Shrimp Boats Is a 'Comin' "  
"Turkey Trot"  
"Hominy Grits"  
"Cabbages and Kings"  
"Ewe, Ewe, Ewe"  
"Cockles and Mussels"  
"Hot Tamales"  
"Heart of My Heart"  
"Aren't You My Chicken"

### Desserts:

"Candy and Cake"  
"Lovely Bunch of Coconuts"  
"Candy Kisses"  
"It's a Marshmallow World"  
"Watermelon Weather"  
"Yes, We Have No Bananas"  
"Apple Song"  
"Tony Spamoni the Ice Cream Man"  
"Blackberry Boogie"  
"Shoe Fly Pie"

The Tower staff, on behalf of the faculty and students, wishes to extend their sympathies to Ann Williams on the loss of her father.

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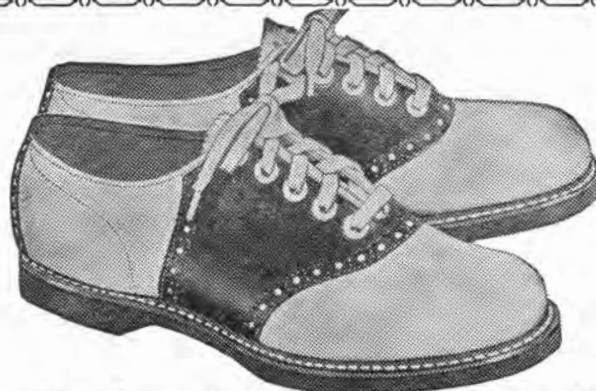


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# Adams Travels to Fort Wayne North Side Tonight

## Face Broad Ripple Here Tomorrow

Tonight the Eagles will travel to Fort Wayne North Side, to tackle the No. 1 rated Redskins. North Side thus far has a 16 and 2 record. North has also virtually tied for the conference crown, but the Eagles will go out to spoil their 7-and-1 record. In the twelve-game series between the two schools, North Side has an eight to four advantage. Game time will be 8:00 in the Fort Wayne gym.

Tomorrow night Indianapolis Broad Ripple will visit our nest, in an attempt to revenge last year's 62 to 56 win by the Eagles. This will be Adams last appearance before they open their sectional play.

## BLAZERS EDGE A. H. S.

The third ranked Elkhart Blue Blazers visited the Adams fieldhouse on Friday, February 12, and dealt the Adams five their worst defeat in several cage seasons. Coupled with extraordinary height and a very fine floor game, the Blazers built a big bonfire under our nest with a phenomenal shooting percentage.

In the first quarter, Elkhart shot very well and by the end of the eight minutes of play they had amassed 17 points. However, at the same time Adams was having great difficulty trying to find the range and at the end of the same period of time we had totaled only five free throws. The Blue Blazer quintet continued their dominance over us in the second stanza, as they mounted up the score to 36-22 at half time. If it hadn't been for a flurry of points at the end of the second period, the score would have been much worse for Adams.

In the third quarter, Jerry Thompson entered the game, but only 1:48 later he was retired to the bench. It was quite evident that "Big Bevo" hadn't yet reached playing strength from a sprained ankle. Klowetter and Goldsberry, along with Green, Troeger, and VanDusen seemed helpless as they tried valiantly to score but missed.

When the fourth quarter had rolled around almost everyone had gotten into the act including injured Ball from Elkhart. The Blue Blazers started to substitute freely with three minutes left.

## EAGLES WIN, 71-55

The John Adams Eagles waited four minutes to score their first basket and they waited almost three quarters to take the lead, but once they started, they proceeded to beat East Chicago Roosevelt, 71-55.

The first quarter moved very slowly for five minutes, but both teams then began to rip the nets. At the end of the first quarter, the Riders led 16-14. In the second quarter, Adams tied the score 19-all, but Allen worked his team into a 32-27 half-time lead.

The third quarter was the changing point as the Eagles started to catch fire, and by the end of the third quarter Adams was leading 42-39. In the fourth quarter Adams poured through 29 points to turn the game into a rout.

The Adams offensive unit shared the points almost equally. Goldsberry got 16, Klowetter 14, Green 13, VanDusen 12, and Troeger rounded off the starting five with 10 points.

This win made the Adams record read eleven won; six lost.

## TANKERS LOSE ONE

On Monday, February 8, Gary Lew Wallace came to the Nat, and was defeated by our Eagles 47 to 27.

The only double winner was Jerry Wiseman in the 200-yd. freestyle and individual medley. Other winners were Heiland (100-yd. freestyle) Johnson (diving), and the medley relay team. Coming in second for Adams were Heiland (40-yd. freestyle), Grimshaw (100-yd. breaststroke), Hoehn (200-yd. freestyle), Britton (100-yd. backstroke), Strang (100-yd. freestyle), and Fett (diving).

To add insult to injury, Elkhart was awarded two free throw attempts after the gun had sounded. They made them both to make the final score read Elkhart 70, Adams 38.

## WRESTLERS DROP 3

The Adams wrestling team under the direction of Coach Murphy lost its first meet of the season to Niles 29 to 16 on January 18. Then moving to Hammond the Eagles were defeated by Hammond Clarke, 35 to 19 on January 28. Winding up its first year of wrestling, Adams was nipped by Sturgis, Michigan, 28 to 25 on February 5.

Despite their poor record the team has gained valuable experience which they will be able to use on next year's fuller schedule.

The boys' individual records in the meets were as follows:

Class	Name	W	L	T
95	J. Ross	2	1	0
103	D. Chizek	1	2	0
112	D. Smith	0	3	0
120	B. Shcolnik	1	2	0
127	B. Mitchell	1	2	0
133	C. Hartman	0	1	0
	J. Mills	0	2	0
138	J. Dillman	0	1	0
	F. Boehm	1	1	0
145	T. Betts	3	0	0
154	A. Johnson	1	2	0
165	D. Quimby	1	2	0
173	P. Dempsey	1	0	2
185	T. Heater	2	1	0

## Intramural Standings

### Junior-Senior Division

	Won	Lost
Kramer	8	1
Heater	8	1
Bauer	5	4
Sternal	4	5
Ziegner	3	6
Shula	3	6
Riddle	3	6
Flanagan	2	7

### Freshman-Sophomore

	Won	Lost
McDonald	8	1
Freshley	8	1
Dillman	6	3
Williams	5	4
Baird	4	5
Vargo	2	7
Gearhart	2	7
Szabo	1	8



By John Pence

Sectional time is here again. This year we are represented by a team that is certainly way above average. However, can you explain why the teams we have beaten haven't been the best teams that we have played? True, we've only been beaten by a couple points each game, but we could have won three or four more if our team hadn't fallen apart.

I'm sure that you will agree with me that we should have beaten Central, Mishawaka twice, and Michigan City, especially since we had such big leads in every one of those games.

Our ten Eagles can take the sectional tourney, but first they will have to be determined that they will not fall apart when the tense and important moments come.

Thompson, Green, Klowetter, Troeger, Goldsberry, VanDusen, LaPierre, Waechter, Rice, and Quealy could have their pictures on the front page of the South Bend Tribune the morning of February 28. Under that picture could be words describing our second sectional championship. Will this be the case? Ask the team! They are the only ones that know.

Right now, I don't know who we play, but my message to the team is, "you can be the best team in the state if you want to be." The coaches, faculty, and students are solidly behind you and counting on you. You can beat anyone of the teams if you want to — but beware — they can beat you too!

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