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Valedictorians Galore for 1954

FIVE GIRLS TAKE SENIOR CLASS HONORS

Valedictory honors, for the Class of 1954 for maintaining a 97.5 or better average, go to Sally Buchanan, Marylee Crofts, Sally Kissinger, Janice Schwier, and Ann Williams.

James L. Alward is salutatorian of the class with a 97 average.

Sally, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Wallace D. Buchanan, has been a member of the Drama Club for six semesters and of the Glee Club for the same period of time. During her 12B semester she was secretary of the Glee Club.

Marylee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion C. Crofts, has been a member of the Glee Club for six semesters, of the Drama Club for six

semesters, president of the Drama Club during her senior year, a member of the Album staff for three years, faculty editor of the Album during her senior year, a Student Council representative for two semesters, secretary of the Student Council during her senior year, and a member of the Booster Club. Recently Marylee was awarded the Elks scholarship to pursue her education beyond high school.

Sally, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Kissinger, has been a member of the Glee Club for six semesters, a member of the library and executive committees of the Glee Club, and has had lead parts in three plays at Adams. As a member of the Album staff she has been feature editor during her ssenior year, a writer for the Tower, and home room representative to the Junior class council.

Janice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schwier, has been active in Glee Club for six semesters, vice-president of the group during her senior year, and a member of the Triple Trio during her senior year. Active in Drama Club, she is on the executive board of that organization. During her senior year she has been a Student Council representative, a member of the senior class cabinet, and a representative from the home room on the senior guidance planning committee.

Ann, daughter of Mrs. William A. Williams, has been active in Glee Club for six semesters. She has served on the executive board during her junior and senior years. As a member of Drama Club, she has had prominent parts in two productions. During her sophomore and junior years she served on the guidance planning committee and for the past two years has been a news writer for the Tower.

JIM ALWARD GETS SALUTATORIAN HONORS

James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Alward, has been active in Adams musical organizations. He has been a member of the band, orchestra, and



dance band. He has participated in local, regional, and state band contests. James has been admitted to Purdue and will enroll in September to prepare for a career in electrical engineering.

SIX SENIORS RECEIVE GOLD PINS

For maintaining an average of 95.5 or better, gold pins will be award to Robert Bubenzer, Myrna Cordtz, Sharon DeRose, Jack Halpin, Sandra Hoelscher, and James Miller.

Ann Williams, and Marylee Crofts. year, a member lbum during her nesters, secretary er of the Booster Adams Nets \$514 For Korean Orphan

March 3-26 was a time that proved Adams students can respond and respond wholeheartedly to a worthwhile cause.

The "Pennies for Korea Drive" netted \$514.02. When the Student Council undertook the project to collect a penny a day for eighteen days from every Adams student, the goal was \$180. This amount would support one Korean War orphan. With the drive such a success four orphans can be provided for in their native land for one year.

The largest amounts collected were in Mr. Goldsberry's and Mr. Rensberger's rooms.

SEVEN MAINTAIN 93.5 AVERAGE Silver pins, for an average of 93.5, will be awarded to Susan Armstrong, Kathleen Brady, Jean Haefner, Nancy Platt, Richard Quealy, Elizabeth Tarvin, and Marilyn Wood.

TWENTY GIVEN SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION

Recognition for scholarship with distinction goes to Janet Burke, Patricia Connolly, Richard Diedrich, David Engel, Stephen Gumz, Mary Ann Hawblitzel, Nancy Hertel, Michael LeBurkien, Craig McGowan, Dean Miller, Joan Moore, Dixie Nidiffer, John Pence, Eileen Powers, William Roesch, Charles Sonneborn, Sarah Stoops, Phyllis Stouffer, Edward Struck, and Mary Wenger.

Annual Jr. Dance To be Held April 30

The 1954 motif for Stardust Cafe will be "The Sidewalks of New York." Music for this annual Junior dance, which will be given on April 30, from 8:30 to 11:30, will be furnished by the John Adams Dance Band.

The floor show, which is one of the annual highlights of the dance, will be under the direction of Nancy MacIvor and Bill Waechter. Reservations and tickets for the affair will be taken care of by Steve Brannan, who is also in charge of faculty invitations. Other committees and their chairmen are: decorations, Jim Dincolo; publicity, Mary Kline; refreshments, Gerald Vascil; favors, Eric Greenhut; music, Naomi Ross; and clean up, Fred Dressel.

The dance will be held in the Little Theatre. Tickets will be sold in advance for \$.75 per couple at a table and \$.50 per couple for sideline chairs.

Bob Lent Chosen Kiwanis Representative

Robert Lent, a senior from room 203, has been selected by the faculty and Mr. Rothermel to attend the Kiwanis luncheons at the LaSalle Hotel every Thursday for the next nine weeks.

Bob is an active member of the band, dance band, and orchestra. He has participated in state and regional contests for the last six years. On March 13, Bob auditioned for a scholarship to the School of Music at Indiana University. Results of the tests have not yet been announced. Bob was also a member of the tennis team for three seasons.

Dick Wedel, Craig McGowan, and Bob Johnson, respectively, have preceded Bob as Adams' Kiwanis representatives this year.

COMING EVENTS

- April 9—Spring Vacation, 3:00 P. M. "High Jinx," 8:00 P. M.
- April 10—Band Contest—LaPorte April 22—TB X-Rays, 9:00 A. M. to
- 12:00 P. M. April 23—Social Living Trip #2
- April 24—State Math Contest
- April 25—Begin Day-Light Saving Time
- April 26-Civic Music
- April 29-Band to Ball State



WHO ELSE BUT DAD!

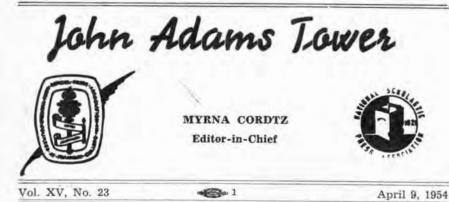
We wouldn't be here if it weren't for him, But:

It takes him one full hour to break an egg.

- He never has money for your allowance when you have a desperate need. He gives you \$10 and says, "Go buy yourself a beautiful new dress, Sweetie, and keep the change."
- He can think of more errands to do when you're waiting to use the car.
- He has the ability to sleep in his chair and still listen to the radio. He never hears you when you get in early, but his hearing improves
- when you come in five minutes late.
- At times he can sleep through a hurricane and a crook could make off with the house and lot and he'd never know it.
- He loves to eat everything under the sun and then wonders why he's gaining around the middle.
- He crabs when his meals aren't ready on time.
- He wonders why the house can't be run systematically like his office.
- He brags about the hero he was in school and what a "cat" he was with all the girls, but what fun it is to prove him wrong by looking through his old annuals.
- He brags about how he got away with murder when he was young, but he won't let you get away with a thing.
- He is exhausted after working a few minutes in the garden, but he can spend hours playing golf in the hot sun and feel wonderful.
- He never wants to throw away any of his sporting equipment, but yells about the "junk" mother saves.
- When he has a slight cold he's put to bed and fussed over like a child, but mother could have pneumonia and still be taking care of him. He spends hundred's of dollars on fishing equipment and goes fishing
- only once a year.
- He gets up before dawn, spends hours in wet marshes, carries all types of hunting gear and ends up bringing home one scrawny bird. —Susan Armstrong.

What Would Adams Be If:

- 1. Miss Law taught Chinese.
- 2. Mr. Crowe had no stalls.
- 3. There were no seniors.
- 4. Miss Kaczmarek chewed gum.
- 5. No one was truant.
- 6. Study halls were quiet.
- 7. Mr. Krider lost his dictionary.
- 8. The foods class could cook.
- 9. Mr. Laiber had no wife.
- 10. Mr. Nelson couldn't add.
- 11. Gym classes were fun.
- 12. "Soci" didn't involve reading newspapers.
- 13. Underclassmen were co-operative.
- 14. The teachers knew nothing.
- 15. Ward Doolen was early.
- 16. Jerry Thompson played football.
- 17. The lunch lines were in order.
- 18. Swayzee made up his mind.
- 19. There was no elevator.
- 20. Girls didn't wear kneesocks.
- 21. There were no Four Corners.



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John Adams! Oi Vey!!

My nama isa Luigi Spumoni, I'ma joosta coma offa do boato froma Italiano. My governmanta she'sa senta me here to finda outa about do averaga Americano towns lika Southa Benda.

So I'ma joosta saw do typicla Americano towna. Firsta I'ma go to a silly lookina truck wita windows and itsa say ona ita Norta Sida Misha...sumpina, I'm cana no saya disa stupida nama.

Pretty soona I'ma see a burtifula buildina wita yellowa brickas anda biga towera. I'ma looka closer anda itaw says JOHNA ADAMSA ona ita. I'ma no stupida. I'm figger outa dota disa buildina wasa tomb for JOHNA ADAMSA. Dese Americanos dere so patriotica wherea elsea woulda ana onea builda burtifula tomba lika dat.

Den I'ma heeara wida shoutsa. I'ma joosta walka ina anda trya to see wherea do noisa she's comin froma. Wella I'ma go downa staris anda soma one he'se saya to me giva me un quatro anda you cana go in do little teatro. So I dida.

I'ma wasa reala shocked. Evera boday wasa dancina anda singina. All outa of ana orangina Colorado sky soma bambino she'se graba me anda says "Beata me daddy wita a steady draga." I'ma tell her I'ma no her papa, buta she's a swing me aroun and yella. Den dey singa Italiano songsa lika "Cumpari" anda "Amore."

Den soma stupida lookina kidsa coma ina wita blue anda reda suitsa anda dey starta to yella and den evera boda yella too. Den dey saya down wita WASHINTON, BEATA WASHINGTON! I'ma tinka disa vera unpatriotica becausa he wasa greata man. Den I'm notica dey alla weara reda. I'ma know dey wasa cummunistas becausea dere colors were reda.

Den a stupida boxa wita funny lightsa maksa musica data make alla peoploli acta lika idions. Dena dy starta yella Charleston anda doa funny danca wita one foota ina backa anda one ina front. I'ma guess data da communitas capitoli wasa ina South a Carolina.

I'ma finala geta outa dere anda I'm can onla says two wordsa abouta Americanos. OI VEY.



"What does your fancy turn to as spring approaches?"

Miss Puterbaugh—"A new car." Mr. Davis—"Raising flowers." Miss Bauer—"Sunshine for outdoor

gym." Miss Farner—"Golf."

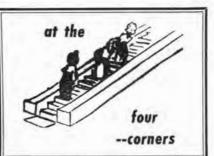
Mrs. Baringer—"Getting up to Diamond Lake."

Bill Smith-"Baseball, trout fish-

ing, and 'girls.' " Carolyn Lightner—"Having some

certain girls up for a certain fair." Charles Lightner—"Swimming and sailing."

Melinda Malmberg—"To Dick." Dianne Smith—"To Tom, natch." Marcia Hoelscher—"Caterpillars." Gordon Marks—"Baseball." Dick Humbarger—"To Linda"



The basketball banquet, outside of featuring a tremendous speaker and a delicious meal, enabled those of us on The TOWER staff to become acquainted with a bunch of very entertaining guys known officially as the Freshman Basketball team. Over swiss steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, and apple pie ala mode, we learned these potent facts:

- 1—Two Smiths on the team go with two Ranschaerts.
- 2—Bob Magnuson (who has a cousin, Claude, who graduated from Mishawaka) is the "man of the hour" as far as Mary Quealy is concerned.
- 3—Ken Parker, alias "Take me-out-Coach,-I-got-a-side-ache," came from Jefferson with an armful of chevrons.
- Larry Martz, a guy with a standup blond butch, kinda goes for Linda McChesney in a big way (according to L. Smith and B. Magnuson.)
- 5—Don Caron is quite the ace outside of being high point man of the season.
- 6—"Skip" Copenhaver likes radishes. 7—Ron Sternal is the spittin' image
- of his older brother, **Tom.** —The whole team spends its spare time either looking for girls or running away from girls.

Well, the first Social Living trip got under way on time (5:30 a.m.) and from all reports a good time was had by all, especially by Marilyn Hoffman and Dick Smith.

Arright, arrright! Who are the three kilowats?

Seen waltzing behind scenes at High Jinks: Helen Williams and Jim Dincolo, Janet Golba and Tom Smith, Kent Keller and Carol Weldy, Bev Prohaska and Bob Nelson, Sally Stoops and Ed Hardig.

How come! Nancy Dugdale is looking forward to August.

Moritz and **Marlin** got to school the morning of the Soci trip at 5:00 a.m. All very fine, but why the police car?

Bein' seen by us 'uns: Bob Johnson and Sharon Reber, Pat Barker and Ken Papp, Sue Angus and Steve Gumz, John Pence and Barbara Koto, Chuck Taylor and Sally Buchanan, Wendy Heron and Chuck LaPierre, Marilyn Mueller and Jay Charon (Cent.), Sue Zombik and Bernie Maurek (Riley), Diane Smith and John Roelke (Howe), Jim Kanouse and Sandy Brecht.

Get this! Dave Good was caught waking up Gladys Miller and Fran Hutchins Sunday morning. Kinda hard to get the picture.

Dee Dee Wicker thinks she should have a day off. Why? She got a "9" in Soci."

Special thanks to the ten girls who served as waitresses at the basketball banquet. They did a very nice piece of work bringing milk to **Jerry Flanagan** and apple pie ala mode to everyone.

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"HIGH JINKS" HAILED AS TERRIFIC | Adams Welcomes Two Student Teachers

Musical to Play Last Time Tonight

Everybody's talking about "High Jinks" and the talk is filled with "terrific," "Wonderful," "made you want to dance," "Man, that Tango!" "Wasn't 'Dixie' darling?" "Gee, the songs were ace." and "I'd like to see it again." And sure enough it's the kind of show you'd like to see again. Bathing girls singing "Chi-chi, Charmin' Chi-chi" with Sally Kissinger strutin' her stuff: Adelaide, a gal who's seen the world and likes to tell about it (Jan Schwier) singing "Jim" and "Romin' Romeos"; a very snappy tango number; a comic ballet; and a song about "Bubbles" are just a few of the numbers which caught the fancy of last night's audience and spread a smile of their faces and set their feet tapping.

took in the show last night. Ask them if they didn't leave the auditorium humming. Ask them if they didn't fall in love with the songs, the dances, the costumes. They'll answer your questions with an enthusiastic "Yes" and you'll be enthusiastic too after you've seen "High Jinks" tonight when the show plays its second and last time.

Curtain time is 8:00 p.m. Tickets will be on sale at the door for 50 cents. If you haven't made plans to attend, why not do so right now. This is a show of shows; a show for everybody. Those hilarious songs and costumes make it so. And what makes it more fascinating is that the whole high steppin', tearing around story is held together by a wacky oriental perfume known as High Jinx which brings out the best side of those who whiff.

Yes, this is a show for everybody but especially is it a show for You.

P. T. A. Women Help Make Show a Success

The cast, Mr. James L. Casady, director; Mrs. Lawrence T. Pate, music director; and Miss Gwendolyn Kaczmarek wish to thank the ladies of the P.T.A. for all the time and service they gave to John Adams as they made and altered costumes for the production "High Jinks" which will be staged for the second time tonight. Co-chairmen of the committee were: Mrs. Paul Green and Mrs. Harry Badger.

Ladies who gave untiringly of their time were: Mrs. Raymond Nelson. Mrs. Carl Rose, Mrs. Steven Brown, Mrs. Vincent Hoehn, Mrs. William Keller, Mrs. Floyd Lightner, Mrs. John Bowman, Mrs. William Dean, Mrs. T. R. MacIvor, Mrs. George Keller, Mrs. Gerald Pence, Mrs. Clarence Garwood, Mrs. W. D. Buchanan, Mrs. Otto Schwier, Mrs. Michael Bolling, Mrs. Thomas Hertel, Mrs. Clarence Burke, Mrs. Holden Koto, Mrs. W. A. Smith, Mrs. Robert McCoy, Mrs. Albert Shulman, Mrs. Thomas Moynihan, Mrs. Sigmund Callsen, Mrs. Russell Rothermel, Mrs. George Wiener, Mrs. Roscoe Beebe, Mrs. Clement DeRose, Mrs. Myron Weldy, Mrs. Charles Nidiffer, Mrs. James Dincolo, Mrs. LeRoy Reed, Mrs. Roy Aaron, Mrs. Paul Myers, Mrs. Elmer Clark, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Charles Hahn, Mrs. Claude Wright, Mrs. Alex Wilson, Mrs. William Williams, Mrs. Herman Waechter, Mrs. Louis Bourdon, Mrs. Cecil Baker, Mrs. Willis Eberly, Mrs. Clifford Richards, Mrs. DeVon Rowe, Mrs.

Aliki Antonis and Ray Whitman are the two new student teachers you have been seeing around Adams this past week. Both are seniors at Indiana University.

Miss Antonis, a graduate of Central High School, will do her practice teaching under Mr. Ernest Litweiler, of the biology department. Miss Antonis was a member of a dormitory advisory council while on campus.

Mr. Whitman will do his student teaching under Miss Florence Roell. of the business education department. He is a graduate of Riley High School. Mr. Whitman was a member of the cross country team, the track team, and was affiliated with a social fraternity at I.U.

CHUCKLEBAIT

Bill: "How did Ed hurt his hand?" Jack: "Reckless driving!" Bill: "Did he smash up his car?"

Jack: "No, just his finger. He missed the nail."



Thompson Captures Three Awards at Basketball Banquet

Walking away with all three trophies, Jerry Thompson was awarded the Kiwanis Award, the Monogram Award, and the Free Throw Award to highlight the 14th annual basketball banquet. The banquet was staged in the gym and cafeteria for the first time in school history. Assisting the athletic department in preparations were the Monogram Club, the lunchroom staff, and a group of home-ec girls who served as waitresses.

Dick Green, president of the Monogram Club, opened the affair by introducing Mr. Goldsberry who gave the invocation. After the dinner, Dick introduced Forest Wood, athletic director from School City, who served in the capacity of toastmaster. In turn, Mr. Wood introduced the School City Staff, radio men, and the representatives of the press. Next in line was Mr. Seaborg who introduced the other coaches present, and related to the nearly 200 guests, that the junior high school feeder schools had had very excellent records and material from which Adams will draw.

Seaborg repeated the fact that Adams 1953-54 team lost six games by less than two points, while they won only one by the same margin. He gave three reasons for our failure in this department. (1.) The competition at the beginning of the season was very poor. (2.) Only two seniors played regularly. (3.) Our foul shooting was disgraceful. Adams players connected on only 57% of their free throws. In 17 of the 23 games, we outshot our opponents from the field, but the foul line defeated us. Our opponents were awarded 125 more shots at the basket than we were. Then Seaborg introduced the members of his team, and the members of the "B" and Freshman teams. At this time, Dick Green presented Mr. Seaborg with a gift as a token of appreciation. Mr. Seaborg closed his portion of the program by saying that with 4 or 5 "B" team boys to work in with the 6 varsity that will return, we shouldn't be too bad off. The coach also wanted to wish Jerry Thompson and the rest of the seniors good luck with their basketball in college.

At this time, Mr. Wood presented the principal speaker, Mr. Blaire Gullian from Washington University in Saint Louis. Mr. Gullian frowned

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upon the All-American rating because, "the All-Americans are based largely upon scoring power and ability only." He related that he thinks that Tom Gola is the best player he has ever seen. Mr. Gullian admires Tom Gola because of his "teamwork, sincerity, and good sportsmanship he shows on and off the court." In summarizing, Blaire Gullian said, "Athletics should be fun, and when they cease to be fun -it's time to guit. Basketball should be played as a builder of men and as a game of sportsmanship and fun."

"B" TEAM BASEBALL

April 20-Central (T) April 23-Elkhart (T) April 27-LaPorte (H) April 30-Michigan City (T) May 4-Mishawaka (H) May 7-Riley (T) May 11-Washington (H) May 14-Central (H) May 18-Elkhart (H) May 21-LaPorte (T) May 25-Michigan City (H)

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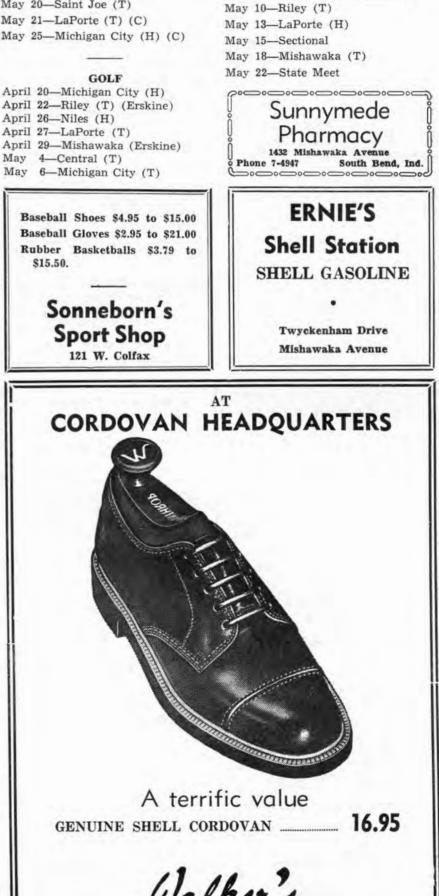
VARSITY BASEBALL

April 13-Washington (T) April 15-Mishawaka (T) April 16-Riley (H) April 20-Central (T) (C) April 23-Elkhart (T) (C) April 27-LaPorte (H) (C) April 28-Culver (T) April 30-Michigan City (T) (C) May 4-Mishawaka (H) (C) May 7-Riley (T) (C) May 11-Washington (H) (C) May 13-Saint Joe (H) May 14-Central (H) May 18-Elkhart (H) (C) May 19-Howe M. A. (T) May 20-Saint Joe (T) May 21-LaPorte (T) (C) May 25-Michigan City (H) (C)

April 22-Riley (T) (Erskine) April 26-Niles (H) April 27-LaPorte (T) April 29-Mishawaka (Erskine) May 4-Central (T) 6-Michigan City (T) May

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April 7-Michigan City (H)

April 20-Washington (H)

April 26-Central (T)

April 28-Culver (T)

May 7-Sectional

May 15-Regional

May 18-City Meet

May 22-State Meet

April 24-Conference Trials

May 1-Conference Finals

May 4-Benton Harbor (T)

May 8-LaPorte Invitational (T)

May 11-Mishawaka (T)

May 13-Goshen (H)

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