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JOHN ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL - SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

Eight Clubs Elect New Officers

Dabate Club—William Dean, president; Janet Golba, vice-president; Sharon Pritz, secretary-treasurer.

Band—Don Smith, president; Bob Badger, vice-president; Sharon Lee, secretary-treasurer.

Screen Club—John Thilman, president; Steve Brannan, vice-president; Bob Teed, secretary; Bruce Thompson, treasurer.

Hi-Y—Kent Keller, president; Jim Hoehn, vice-president; Lloyd Gearhart, secretary; Don Eberly, treasurer; Don Rowe, chaplain; Tom Horka, sergeant-at-arms; Jim Dincolo, social chairman; Tom Smith, program chairman; Chuck Bowman, service.

Orchestra—Sue Carlson, president; Jerry Lupton, vice-president; Marlene Olsen, secretary-treasurer.

Y-Teens—Elaine Brown, president; Libby Jester, vice-president; Yvonne Hutchins, secretary; Claude Hemphill, treasurer; Wanda Ritenour, worship chairman; Joyce Jacobs, social chairman.

Album—Margaret Sue Reed, editor; Maureen Frank, assistant editor; Judy Cobb, Mary Ann Anderson, cosenior editors; Sharon Reber, junior editor; Pat Wilson, sophomore editor; Susie Frehse, freshman editor; Nancy MacIvor, faculty editor; Mary Kline, feature editor; Naomi Ross, Diane Allmon, co-clubs editors; Dave Freeburg, James Hoehn, co-sports editors; Nancy Armstrong, business manager; Kathy DeLeury, circulation manager; Pat Bourdon, advertising manager; Marilyn Enfield, art editor.

Ushers—Bill Waechter, president; Bob Harbin, first captain; Dick Bast, second captain; Larry Rex, activities secretary; Bob Alheit, recording secretary.

Library Club Holds Picnic and Initiation

A combination senior picnic and initation of new members ended the activities of the 1953-54 John Adams Library Club. The party, given May 19, at Potowatomi Park, was a potluck supper with the senior members as guests.

The new members who were initated are Susan Cole, Sharon Hartman, Lucille Johnson, Vivian Kurtz, Rosalie McEwan, Marilyn Reith, Frances Davis, Darlene Jankowski, Elizabeth Mahler, Carol Mechling, Cora Penrod, Yvonne Popp, Joan Rankin, and Sandra Roberts. This issue of the TOWER was prepared by next year's staff while the seniors are busy working on the eight-page senior issue.

The new staff, pictured above, front left to right, is composed of Nancy Smuts, exchange manager; Mary Ellen Rosenthal, business manager; Charles Christman, co-sports editor; Janice Rugee, editor-in-chief; Pat Bourdon, advertising manager; Wendy Heron, feature editor; Mary Benn, circulation manager. Not present when the picture was taken is Marvin (Butch) West, the other sports editor.

The Senior issue will be the final edition for this school year and will be distributed immediately following the Awards assembly on June 2. Single copies will be on sale in the hall for non-subscribers.

Drama Club Board Chooses Fall Play

A meeting of the Drama Club board was held on Friday, May 21, to choose the all-school play for next fall. Montague Slater's "Sweeney Todd (The Demon Barber of Fleet Street)" was selected. It is a Melodrama in 4 acts and takes place in the time of King George II in London, England. The cast consists of 11 men and 5 women.

Try outs will be held on June 1 at 3:15 in the Little Theater. Any student at John Adams is eligible to be in the play.

| REMINDERS | |
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| NO SCHOOL | |
| MONDAY, MAY 31 | |
| All of you be sure to get | |
| your Albums | |
| tonight at the dance. | |
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MUSIC PLANNED FOR GRADUATION

The Glee Club is now practicing for the Senior Day assembly program, Baccalaureate, and Commencement.

Each of the four city high school glee clubs will send fifty-six members, including its seniors, to sing at Baccalaureate on Sunday, June 6, at 4:00 p. m. Miss Barbara Unger of Washington High School and Miss Helen Weber of Central High School are the directors and Mrs. Lawrence T. Pate of Adams is chairman of the music.

The combined chorus will sing, "God of Our Fathers," "O, Come Holy Spirit," and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You."

At Commencement on June 8, Adams glee club will sing, "The Lord's Prayer," "No Man Is An Island," and Mozart's "Gloria." The Girl's Ensemble will also present "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes," as part of the musical portion of the program.

The thirty-seven seniors in the Glee Club will sing, "The Halls of Ivy," and "You'll Never Walk Alone," at the Senior Day assembly on Wednesday, June 2.

Student Council Board Organizes Committees

The 1954-55 Student Council is organizing to be ready for action at the beginning of next year. The first meeting of the new officers and the board of directors found Kent Keller, president; Richard Green, vicepresident; Janet Golba, secretary; Kathy DeLeury, treasurer; James Dincolo, Naomi Ross, Robert Nelson, Mary Ann Anderson, John Waechter, Nancy MacIvor, Janice Rugee, and Tom Troeger, discussing ideas for the "Show Ya 'Round" activities for the new students next September.

The newly elected representatives from each home room are: Paula Bryant and Richard Borowski, 101: Bonnie Hewlet and George Henneon, 102; Richard Gibboney and David Freedburg, 103; Marvin Naftzger and Charmian Burke, 106; Don Ball and Barbara Goddard, 107; Fal Harris and Gwen Garwood, 108; Thomas Horn and Mary Jane Green, 110; Toni Lacupa and Jane Martin, 111; Mary Ann Anderson and Bill Dean, 112; Thomas Troeger and Rita Stull, 113; Sandra Brecht and Robert Dymak, 114; Jack Venderly and Eugene Personette, 201; Tom Angus and Wayne Benner, 204; Charles Morris and Larry Myers, 206; Connie Kuhn and Jim Kubiak, 207; Barbara Waechter and Linn Wickizer, 208; Pat Wolveris and Orville McChesney, 209; Linda Rogers and Shirley Norton, 212; Richard Skodinski and Marsha Root, 213; Sandra Weldy and Scott King, 214; Jeanne Weiss and Ronald Wallace, 215; Jeanne Mundell and William McNab, 22; Micah Ross and Mary Ellen Rosenthal, C. Mez.

Rooms 105, 109, 203, 205, and 211 will be freshmen home rooms next fall and will elect their representatives in September.

Guidance Program Ends

On May 25, in the auditorium, Reverend Daniel W. Fowler, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church spoke to the members of the junior class about the relationship among our home, school, and community in regard to moral and spiritual values. In doing so he concluded the series of programs planned by the junior guidance committee chairmaned by Nancy MacIvor.

At an earlier Tuesday morning meeting Richard Bolesky and Margaret Carter, both seniors at Purdue and Adams alumni, spoke in regard to the gap between high school and college.

On another Tuesday Judge Daniel Pyle discussed the topic, "We, the Citizens."

Miss Farner as faculty representative assisted the planning committee in arranging these programs.



AN OPEN LETTER TO JUNIORS

In a few weeks we shall all probably be calling ourselves seniors. Just to get ready for that day of triumph, why don't we follow Kent Keller's famous suggestion which he made in an assembly — try on the shoes of the seniors just for size — not literally this time. They're a little large aren't they? Yes, the seniors shoes are big because they have a big job to do. Will we be able to fill them by next September?

Just a moment - why should we bother growing into the shoes of the seniors? What is a senior besides just another name? Why will we as seniors be important to the school? We seniors will be in a position to greatly influence the type of school we will have next year through our influence over the remainder of the student body. We will still be "one of the crowd" and yet will also hold the position of an ideal in relationship to the underclassmen. The seniors set the pace of attitude and action for the school year. If the seniors show good sportsmanship in athletics and an interest and cooperative attitude, it will follow that the other students will copy these attributes. Unluckily, however, both our attributes and our faults emulated by other students and put on the "do" list as just "the" thing to do. Besides as an influence over incoming students, the position of senior is important because on the seniors fall the job of directing school clubs and activities. The position of senior offers problems and yet at the same time it offers a challenge to leave Adams a better school when we graduate than when we entered as freshmen.

Perhaps in order to see more clearly what our job will be next year, think about the seniors that you know and try to define the qualities that make them leaders. I think we all know many qualities such as friendiness, enthusiasm, and leadership, but it doesn't help very much toward being a better senior leader just to list them or recite them.

We may, however, prepare actively to become seniors by accepting responsibilities now, by following and co-operating with the present leaders of the student body, and by accepting the leadership of small groups and leading them in the right direction so that we shall be better qualified to take on the heavy responsibility of senior leadership next year. We may also prepare for senior leadership by immediately adopting a cheerful attitude of understanding and friendliness so that in the fall the new freshmen won't be frightened by that "over serious senior look." Let's discard that blaze, aloof attitude and show through our enthusiasm, maturity, and interest that we still have a great deal to learn and let the underclassmen in on our little secret that we aren't quite perfect yet. —Nancy MacIvor.

WORDS OF THE WISE

Happiness, in one respect, is like potato salad — when shared with others it's a picnic.

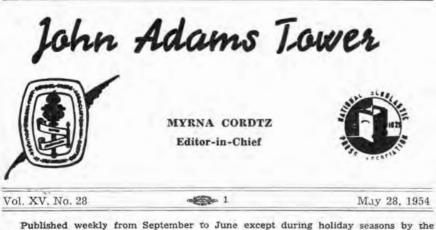
A dictionary is frowned upon by women because it has the first and last word.

The shortest interval of time is between the change of the traffic light and the honk from the car behind.

Capital punishment is said to be the anxiety a person feels for the lack of funds.

You cannot convince an insurance company that life begins at forty. The foolish and the dead alone never change their opinions.

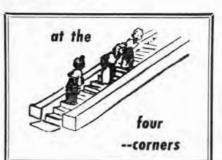
A small item in the Henry Ford archives reveals something of the industrialist's philosophy. It is a little card he had saved on which was printed the words: "Help the Other Fellow," Underneath, Ford had written in: "To help himself!"



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Talk about a case of love's labor lost! Poor Jess! I guess Mr. Crowe just doesn't realize his interest in the Library fourth hour.

'Tis rumored there's a new fad among the gals. Hear tell the instigators were **Mary Orzech** and **Pat Bourdon**. How 'about it, instigators?

Vital item of interest to Mr. Laurita: In case there would be an openin the broad jump on our track team, Lynne Lachmann could fill in quite expertly. She proved her kangaroo skills at the lake last week,

Gwen Garwood isn't satisfied with the regular argyle pattern it seems. Her latest socks have beer mugs with angora foam, no less!

'Pears Pat Moynihan and Tom Haugel have been seeing quite a bit of each other lately. Sharon Reber and Jim Miller have been, too! Results of the Prom, maybe?

Nikki DeRose and Dave Selby have agreed to disagree.

Seniors: If you are curious about what to do after 12:00 p.m. on the college campus next fall, ask **Mr. Carroll** — homerome 101 or phone 2-7527.

Please take note: Maggie Sue Reed and Dick Shaw (Alum.) are going steady (again).

Noticed any seniors moving uncomfortably 'bout lately? Seems some certain "upperclassmen" held a "Poison Ivy Prom" the next day at Cherry Beach. Results? Quite a few cases of the "itches" for Jim Miller, Marilyn Wood, and Sue Armstrong. Sally Buchanan and Chuck Taylor

are making a date duo once more.

What goes with DeeDee Wicker's tete-a-tetes with Mr. Krider?

Somebody should give **Dave Engel** a sleeping pill as an award for his fine performance last Wednesday morning!

One of the seniors is really a fish at heart. At least, he was still going strong late Sunday afternoon; just one of a few haggard seniors left over from the Prom.

Bein' seen by us'ns; Shirley Johnson and George Biggs; Bev Norton and Bill Stevenson; Linn Wickizer and Jo Ann Bartels; Jack Venderly and Linda Bussert; Bill Walton and Marcia Hoelscher; Jim Hoehn and Helen Williams; Punky Crowe and Dick Green.

Steadies of the moment include: Bruce Dwyer and Lynne Heintzelman; Lynne Thomas and Charlie Morse; Tom Smith and Janet Golba; Bev Miller and Les Selig (Alum.) one year; Rita Stull and Van Young (Buchanan).

Congratulations to Carol Korlowicz upon receiving her engagement ring from Hanny Distch (Alum.).

Isn't it odd that **Susie Frehse** and **Chuck Christman** should be seen reading a newspaper through the front windshield of his car at an "outie"?

Broken strings: Jay Charon and Marilyn Mueller; Jim Dincolo and Helen Williams.

Just Be Happy With What Ys' Got

Since ever'ons is as busy as a beaver 'round this time of year, it brings me to mind a story I heared long 'go, way befo' you was born. Et's about Bre'r Beaver.

Now Bre'r Beaver was sorta queer. He weren't born right like you an' me was; he didn't have no teet'. Thaz right, the whole fronta his mouf was naked. And o'course he couldn't chew no how. Him was plum out o'luck and teet'. But Bre'r Beaver didn't care none. Him was as happy a beaver as you ever seen.

Bre'r Beaver was the oldest o' his brothers and sissuhs, so naturally he learned to swim first. He had long pow'ful strokes and had a natural talent for swimmin' it looked like. But the rest o' his brothers and sisuhs had a sure 'nuff hard time learnin' the swimmin' skills.

One day Mrs. Beaver had to go to the dentist in town, so she left Bre'r Beaver to sorta beaver sit. While Bre'r Beaver were a sittin' thar watchin' the lil' kiddies run 'bout, him heard a huge splash!!! He looked in the water and see'd his lil' sissuh, Ima Beaver, just thrashin' about and raising cane in the water. O' course she couldn't swim fer diddle and ever'one thinked she were a gonner.

She were under, but Bre'r Beaver dove in headlong and grabbed her in his mouf'. Yo' see, wif no teet' der, he could carry her easy like.

So Ima was saved, and was Bre'r Beaver ever a hero! He was glad den dat he didn't have no teet'. And dat kin go fer you, too, son. If'n sometime you' really wonda if yo' got all your'e 'sposed to have and yo' kinda tend to let go an' gib way, I think if yo' perk up a bit and think 'about what you doz got, y'all get along fine.

-By Gwen Garwood.

Seen together: Ginger Anderson and Phil DeLong; Rosie Ferraro and Dick Phoelman (St. Joe'; Kathy De-Leury and Dick Smith.

Who is this way up in Benton Harbor that **Naomi Shulman** is talking about?

More finished duos of late: Liz Tarvin and Bob Johnson: Jana Borecky and Chuck Oberlin; Jeanne Wiess and Chuck Taylor.

A Bon Voyage party for Kent Keller, Naomi Ross, and Bill Waechter is being given by Janet Golba on May 29. The following and their dates have been invited: Dave Engel, Bob Johnson, Tom Smith, Chuck Bowman, Steve Brannan, Chuck Christman, Bill Dean, Jim Hoehn, Jim Dincolo, Terry Rothermel, Fred Dressel, Dave Coverdale (Alum.), Norm Grimshaw, Joe Rich, Bob Nelson, and John Waechter, Nancy MacIvor, Maureen Frank, Anne Brunner, Nancy Armstrong, Maggie Sue Reed, Mary Ellen Rosenthal, and Karen Jones.

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| Sonja Hoover | Judy Cobb | |
| Sharon Smith | Punky Crowe | |

JOHN ADAMS TOWER

Know Your Juniors

5' 2" tall . . . light brown hair . . glasses have pink rims . . . 105 well distributed pounds . . . heckled constantly by seatmate in English first hour . . . seen in either a white Olds convert or two tone blue Dodge . . . current big "moment" is a comparative newcomer from LaFayette . . . there isn't a germ that's missed her yet . . . usually can be seen flying out of the exercise room's windows. Light brown hair . . . blue eyes . . .

5'3" tall . . . 113 lbs. . . . Jefferson graduate . . . just racked up "Jake's" green Ford . . . used to play football when she was 13 . . . also used to steal Dick Bolesky's car incessantly . . . has second hour U. S. History II . . . has been ball an' chaining it for over a year . . . he happens to be an alumni of this far school . . . frequently called by her nickname "Smitty."

Blond hair . . . blue eyes . . . Blue happens to be the name of the male she's attached to . . . used to play first base for the Potowattomi Eagles . . . says she once had two dates in one night . . , at one time she was terribly in love with Jim Riddle . . . 112 pounds . . . favorite sport is baseball . . , one of the lucky few who is able to enjoy the open sky in her man's convert.

Brown hair . . . sea green eyes . . . has set a record as far as breaking up and returning to the same male

The 1954 Summer School session will begin on June 14. All pupils attending Summer School are to report to the Central High School Auditorium on Friday, June 11, at 2:30 p.m. Election cards should be arranged with Miss Burns ahead of time. Fees for high school students are \$2 for the session.

Any pupil who is tardy 3 times or absent without notifying the school may be dropped. One subject students must be in school 2 periods a day and 2 subject students must attend 3 periods a day to receive full credit.

The first period is held from 7:55 to 9:15, second period from 9:20 to 10:40 and third period from 10:45 to 12:05.

. . hit a home run against an ace pitcher once and won the baseball

Sophomore Class **Hears** Speakers

On May 4 Mayor John A. Scott spoke to the Sophomore class on "Growing into Civic Responsibilities."

On May 18 Mrs. A. E. Dose spoke to the girls of the sophomore class on her hobby of textile painting, including in her talk interests in the general field of handicraft. She also displayed some of her work. At the same time Mr. Chester Bragg talked to the boys on "Healthful and Happy Hobbies" and displayed many Indian relics.

On May 25 Mr. Bragg talked to the girls on the same subject and Professor Eichenberry, an ardent Scout leader, spoke to the boys on "Scouting Trips in Canada.'

The May 25 program completed the recreation unit that the Sophomore Guidance Committee had planned.



What are your plans for this summer?

Pat Rupert-"Take it easy. Nancy Beckey-"Live it up." Frances Hutchins-"Work all summer then two months in Virginia,"

Diane Crane-"Take life easy."

Janice Henson-"Study at Vogue Beauty School."

Miss Farner-"Go to school at I. U." Mr. and Mrs. Laiber-"Enjoy our home."

Mr. Davis-"Travel."

Carolyn Lightner-"Swim and sail at Diamond Lake."

Mr. Litweiler-"Attend classes at Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratories at Crested Butte, Colorado,"



Batsmen Defeat Elkhart and LaPorte

Wedel Captures Third in State Meet

Dick Wedel, Adams only participating cinderman in the Hoosier state meet, took a third in the grueling 440-yard dash. He finished behind Clyde Austin of Washington and Len Snyder of Fort Wayne North.

Max Truex smashed the national interscholastic record in the mile, running it in a terrific 4 minutes and 20.4 seconds. Abell of Riley won both the hurdle events.

Gary Roosevelt took team honors with 20 points. This low score illustrates the tight race that took place in the meet.

CENTRAL TAKES CITY

Central's track team walked away with the city championship last Tuesday. Adams, last year champs finished fourth, while Riley took second and Washington a third. Central took six firsts, Riley four and Washington three. Adams failed to tally a first place.

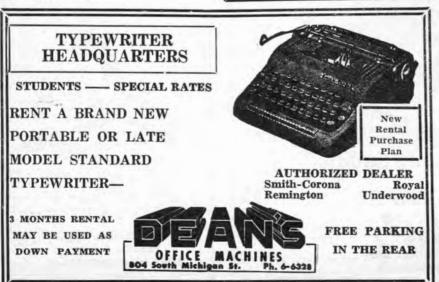
Dick Wedel collected 6½ of Adams total of seventeen. He placed second in the 100-yard dash and the 440. He was also on the mile relay team that collected two points. Other contributors to the Adams scoring were Pete Smith who took a second in the mile run and Jim Sostack who collected a third in the high hurdles. Adams half mile relay was able to collect four points. It consisted of Conley, Skodinski. Osmon and Troeger.

The final score was Central 62, Riley 55, Washington 31, and Adams 17.

Thinlies Lose Finale

The track team, competing in their only triangular meet of the season, met two teams from Michigan, Benton Harbor and Niles. The meet was held at Benton Harbor with the home team coming out on top with 62 points. Niles was second with 57 and Adams third with 18.

Pete Smith and Terry Heater were the only Eagles to take blue ribbons winning the mile and shot put. Other point winners for Adams were Dick Wedel, Jim Sostack, Bud Goddard, Paul Elliott, Gene Personette, and Norm Grimshaw.





Don Seach, Jim Nace, Dick Morgan, Tom Angus, John Steinmetz, Dick Quealy.

The golf team, under the direction of Mr. Thompson, completed their season this week against Central. Up to that time their record for the season was 2 wins, 7 losses, and 1 tie. This year's team members were: Tom Angus, Don Seach, Dick Quealy, Dick Morgan, Jim Nace, and John Steinmetz.

Dick Quealy and Jim Nace gathered Adams only points as the golfers fell before Mishawaka $13\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{1}{2}$. Quealy picked up 1 point in his match and Nace got $\frac{1}{2}$ a point. Benny Leanard of Mishawaka won medalist honors with a score of 71. Nace was low for the Eagles with a 78.

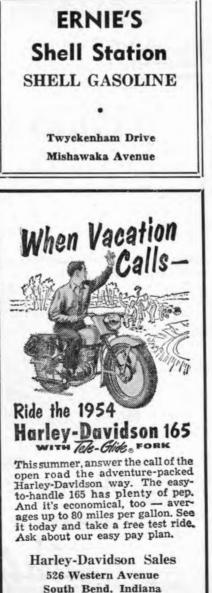
Our linkmen also suffered a 12 to 3 defeat at the hands of Central, May 20 on the Erskine Park course. Dick Morgan grabbed 2½ points as he downed

his opponent and Jim Nace sneaked out the remaining $\frac{1}{2}$ point. Charles Thurn of Central scored a 68 to cop medalist honors.

Boy, new at fishing: "I've got a bite, what do I do now?" Fisherman: "Reel him in." Boy: "I've got him in tight, what next?" Fisherman (disgustedly): "Climb up your pole and stab him."

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Robbins Blanks Blazers

Downing Elkhart 7-0, Adams maintained a share of the league lead and avenged an earlier defeat. Adams scored 3 runs in the first inning, 3 in the fourth, and 1 in the fifth.

John Robbins, displaying excellent control, struck out 8 and didn't pass a man. Bob Klowetter paced the team with 2 hits in 4 times at bat. Elkhart managed only 3 hits, two of which were in the first inning.

Goldy Whips LaPorte 4-1

Tom Goldsberry chalked up another win at the expense of the La-Porte Slicers to keep Adams on top with Central in the conference standings. Goldsberry wiffed 12 and walked 4 in going the whole seven innings. Adams banged out four hits for four runs and committed four errors.

How Now Howe?

Using four pitchers and five hits Adams downed Howe Military 3 to 0. Harris, Severeid, Sexton, and Mc-Millan allowed the Cadets five hits but a run never crossed the plate. Paul Edgerton slapped out 2 of our 5 safeties to lead the Eagle attack.

Crew Outlasts Saints

Rallying in the last two innings of the game, our Eagle diamond crew handed St. Joseph a 9 to 6 defeat. Things looked bad at the end of the fifth inning when St. Joe led 5 to 1 but 4 runs were tallied in each of the last two frames to "ice" the game. Tom Sternal rapped out a triple in the seventh to spark the inning. Sam Rice went all the way for Adams.

