

COMING EVENTS

May 17—Senior Prom, Indiana Club . . . BB—Adams vs. Elkhart (H) . . . Track—Regional.

May 18-Golf-Sectional at LaPorte.

May 21-Track-City meet.

May 22-Thespian Initiatian, Little Theater.

May 23-Home Ec Style Show

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Seniors Dance 'Under Paris Skies' Tonight

Adams Exchange Student Is from Istanbul, Turkey

The American Field Service has notified the Student Council that Rona Belek from Istanbul, Turkey, will be Adams' exchange student for next year. Rona is five feet, four inches tall and has light brown hair. She lives with her parents and grandfather in Turkey. Her father is a mathematics teacher.

Rona has studied English in school for six years. She has particularly enjoyed the subjects of drawing and painting, literature, chemistry, and English. The sports which she enjoys are skiing, swimming, bicycle riding, and playing tennis. Her ambition is to become an orthopedist by attending a university and studying medicine.

In her application, Rona expressed her desire to come to the United States though the American Field Service foreign exchange student program because she thought that the United States is one of the most civilized countries in the world, and she wants to see the people living here, the big cities, the tall buildings, the latest inventions, and the newest methods. She also hopes that the American children can learn much about the Turks through her.

During her stay in the United States, Rona will live with Sue Mauer, an Adams junior who will be a senior next year. The money to sponsor Rona was raised by the "Share Their Fare" Drive, which was sponsored by the Student Council last fall.

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Sue Metcalfe to Ride in Armed Forces Day Parade

Sue Metcalfe, John Adams senior from homeroom 111, will ride on the South Bend Chamber of Commerce float in the Armed Forces Day parade on Saturday, May 18. This annual event will take place from two to three-thirty o'clock and will travel down Michigan Street. The Chamber of Commerce float is the only float which high school girls will ride on, as the other participants are members of the armed forces.

Adams Hours Total 135 In Senior Class Project

Adams Hours, the class of 57's service project, was successfully concluded Saturday, May 4, with a project in conjunction with the Children's Dispensary. Adams Hours involved the rendering of personal services to worthwhile charitable organizations in our area in order to derive the self-satisfaction and proud inner feeling that comes from helping someone less fortunate than ourselves. The dispensary, which gives mostly medical aid to children, operates Camp Milhouse, a summer camp about ten miles from town.

Joe Barnette, Charles Broyles, Fred Christie, Dan Hoyt, Bill Staton, Gordon Marks, Edgeir Benum, and George Hennion participated in this project at the camp, which involved clearing and cleaning of the surrounding grounds. The group worked for four hours compiling 32 Adams Hours. This brings the final total of senior hours donated to 135 hours.

Other time and service contributed were earned at the Children's Aid Society and in two visits to the St. Joseph County Cancer Society. All the seniors who helped mount these 135 Adams Hours can point with pride to the contribution Adams has made to the community.

MATHEMATICS CLUB STARTED AT ADAMS

A new club has been added here at Adams. This club is the Mu Alpha Theta (MATh) or the National High School Mathematics Club. This is being formed to encourage keener interest in mathematics, to develop sound scholarship in the subject, and promote enjoyment of mathematics among high school seniors. Those who are eligible to full membership have to complete two semesters of algebra and two semesters of geometry, or their equivalents, and in addition, have completed or are enrolled in third semester algebra. Their mathematical work has to be done with high distinction, and their general high school work must result in a B average. At their meetings, and in other activities of the club, they will add interest to the study of mathematics through consideration of recreational

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Eleven Cheerleaders Chosen at Assembly

Cheerleaders for the 1957-58 sports year were selected at a special assembly May 15. Chosen to serve on next year's varsity were Carol Ann Ensign, Judy Kelley, Sue Schwanz, Janet Moore, and Beverly Twigg. Dorothy Nichols, Audrey Robbins, Sandra Schock, Sue Nelson, Nona Lydeen, and Sandra Weaver will be the B-team cheerleaders.

The final selection was made by the Student Council representatives, the faculty committee, and Miss Mary Jane Bauer, cheerleading sponsor. The girls were rated on their presentation of the cheer, their pep and enthusiasm, and student response. This year the varsity was selected from the B-team.

Thirty-three girls learned and practiced cheers after school under Miss Bauer's leadership. Eliminations were held to determine the girls who appeared before the student body. Those twenty-one girls were Sue Schwanz, Violet Sando, Carol Ensign, Paulette Strombeck, Nona Lydeen, Carol Nace, Janet Moore, Carolyn Bird, Sandy Schock, Susan Nelson, Diane Mauer, Judy Kelley, Dorothy Nichols, Lillian Szewczyk, Sandra Weaver, Audrey Robbins, Nancy Brinley, Nancy Horvath, Judy Widmar, Mary Horn, and Beverly Twigg. Rosie Griffith narrated the assembly.

X-Rays for Tuberculosis Taken on Stage

Chest x-rays for tuberculosis were taken May 15 on the stage, where xray machines were set up. The xrays were taken from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students taking the tests were assigned definite times to go to the stage during the day according to home rooms. Students having taken tests from previous years which were positive received special cards to fill out in their home rooms May 15. These students also received x-rays free of charge. Students from Jefferson, Nuner, Lincoln, Edison, and Kennedy schools had x-rays taken at Adams also.

Mrs. Dorothy Chamberlain has set aside the last two weeks of the semester for seniors wishing to have their ears and eyes tested or to talk over any health problems.

Tonight is the long-awaited Senior Prom, "Under Paris Skies." The dance will be held from 9 to 12 at the Indiana Club, Tony Rulli's band furnishing the music. The highlight of the Prom will be the coronation ceremony. Pete Sherman, president of the class of '57, will crown the king and queen, elected by the seniors. The court includes Marcia Hoelscher, Barbara McIntyre, Sue Met-



calfe, Kay Mundell, Barbara Purdy, Jeanne Weiss, Joe Barnette, Terry Conley, Robert Mitchell, Ed Ross, John Ross, Ronald Weaver.

Helen Williams and Ron Miller will be featured entertainers, and the dance will also include the traditional grand march.

John Ross, general chairman of the dance, will escort Jeanne Weiss. Committee chairmen include Ron Weaver, decorations; Barbara Mc-Intyre, refreshments; Dan Hoyt, tickets; Carol Weldy and Linda Rogers, invitations; Jo McCreight and Dave Chizek, programs; and Jeanne Weiss, publicity. Chaperons for the prom will be Miss Gwendolyn Kaczmarek, Mr. G. E. Carroll, Mr. Richard Hunter, Mr. James Roop, and Mr. Robert Rensberger.

Special invitations have been issued to the parents of the officers and cabinet members of the senior class, the prom committee chairmen, and the faculty.

A reminder to all seniors: June Verhostra and Drude Koren are holding open house before the prom at 1002 Jefferson. Judi Sheets is having a breakfast after the dance at the Oliver Hotel for all seniors.



A Winner Never Quits and A Quitter Never Wins

Students have a tendency to become weaker in their schoolwork before the final grading period preceding summer vacation. Seniors are being measured for caps and gowns and are receiving acceptance letters from colleges; juniors are getting their senior rings and looking ahead to their last year of high school; sophomores, like everyone else, can't wait to get in that first swim; the lowly "frosh" is anticipating the day when he too can look down on someone.

The quitter thinks of the last day of school when he can finally shut the chemistry book and will not have to look at it for another three months; he dreams of the good times he could have if he did not have to go to school; he remembers that old Ford which is all painted up and in which he would like to be riding right now; and he dreams of how the lake looked last summer. "After all, there's only one month left until that final day, why study? It's too late to bring up my average now."

If grades are low, that is all the more reason why students should work harder than ever before. The quitter, if he were wise, would realize this, take advantage of it, and not sit dreaming over his chemistry book. Hard work during the last few weeks of school can raise many low grades and make many a credit which otherwise might be lost.

Though cramming is unwise also, that final burst of speed at the end has won quite a few races. Stay with the ship like a captain until the last grade is carried to safety. Don't quit. Be the winner — not the loser.

Letter to the Editor

TO THE TOWER:

We, the members of the Alfred E. Neuman Fan Club, arise in protest of the gross misrepresentation of our organization in the issue of the **John Adams TOWER** dated Friday, May 10, 1957. We refer to the humorous bit entitled "My Date," page two, bottom of column two. While we realize that the author meant it as a humorous piece, we feel it a slur against a very distinguished group.

We refer to the third paragraph in which is stated the intention of attending a sunrise meeting of the Alfred E. Newman Fan Club. There are two errors in this: first the name Neuman was spelled Newman, and second, the story cast aspersions upon the intelligence of our members. We are all loyal, intelligent, level-headed Adams students, given only to the purpose of following the example of the illustrious Alfred E. Neuman. Several of our members have been given the Neuman Award for Distinguished Service. Now how many people of this high type are going to get up early in the morning to attend a sunrise fan club meeting?

Therefore, we demand not only a retraction of these statements by the author of that piece, we demand that you print this letter of protest.

MEMBERS OF THE ALFRED E. NEUMAN FAN CLUB.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: We regret the erroneous misprint. Please accept our sincere apologies. Give our best to Al.)

mICKey, tHe moUse, SavEs ThE dAy

Well, You might have guessed by Now, but in Case you haven't, i'll tell you. You see, my typewriter has the Hiccups! it's Been going on now for almost an hour. Gee, I'd hate To have the hiccups for an hour. Wouldn't you? I really need some help for my poor old typewriter. look! Stop! listen! Gosh is that a Flying Saucer? No, look again. why i do believe that it has a couple of Wings! Stop! those Aren't wings, They're actually arms and legs. listen, it's singing. Come to think of it i've heard that before. he's singing "mickey mouse." why, i really do believe it is "him." Golly, he's even on TV. And my typewriter—it's back to normal again. He's done it again. He's a great mouse. He is really my hero. Mickey mouse has saved the day!!

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Videot's Delight

Announcer: Howdy, folks. Well, it's time again for that lovable, laughable pair, Dudly Twonker Magrump, Ph. D., and Felicia May Crimsnoot, M.A., in that rollicking fun show, American History, 105 . . . And here they are, the team that took the "hiss" out of history — Dudly Twonker Magrump and Felicia May Crimsnoot!!

Dr Magrump: Hi-ho, people. I am really in a good mood today. I can't wait to get the show under way.

Miss Crimsnoot: Well then, let us get on with our rollicking fun show, American History 105.

Dr. Magrump: Today we will dramatize the tingling story of John Smith and Pocahontas. I will play Captain Smith and Miss Crimsnoot will play Pocahontas.

Miss Crimsnoot: Oh! John Smith! You-um startle-um me-um!

Dr. Magrump: Hello, Pocahontas. What are you doing down by the brook?

Miss Crimsnoot: Just washing out a few scalps. But what-um you wantum?

Dr. Magrump: I came to see the Chief.

Miss Crimsnoot: You can't-um, Chief is leaving for Chicago.

Dr. Magrump: On what track?

Announcer: Well, folks, that's all for today. See you next week, same time, some station.

Miss Crimsnoot: Stay tuned for William Cullen Bryant: Girl Intern.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Administration . . . the rather large remains of a number of alumni apparently unable to find employment elsewhere.

Alumni . . . a peculiar species of homosapiens who cling to old Towers, letter sweaters, and moldy report cards.

Cars . . . examples of modern designs usually found next to police cars.

Cheating . . . an unofficial eyetest.

Classes . . . periods of relaxation

generally limited to 50 minutes in any given location.

Desks . . . handy place for candy wrappers, crib notes, and used bubble gum.

Food . . . a new device invented by manufacturers of reducing pills.

Honor Code . . . a convenient means of allowing the teachers to leave the room for a drink of water or something.

Library . . . a large room that we are unable to describe further because of its constant occupancy by freshman English classes.

Mathematics . . . a subject for abnormal geniuses.

Quizzes . . . something which if you have in the morning you prepare for by spending the night before wishing you hadn't.

Student Council . . . a group of energetic Adamsites, unswervingly bent upon improving the Adams way of life or something like that.

Sunday . . . an interminably long period of time immediately following Saturday night.

Teachers . . . mistreated adults whose pupils don't understand them.

ODDS 'N' ENDS

• (While discussing Whitman's poetry in English VI.)

Mrs. McClure: "What is a miracle?"
Student: "Something that happens when you don't expect it."

Mrs. McClure: "Well then, if I were crossing the street and suddenly I was hit by a car, would that be a miracle?"

Student: "No, that would be stupidity."

- "Skirts were six inches above the ground and rising and alcohol was as illegal as a woman's vote." This is a sample of what Mr. Roop's History II classes heard last week. They heard a tape recording of Edward R. Morrow's "I Can Hear It Now" record. These records reenact historical facts such as: the Teapot Dome scandal, the Tunney-Dempsey fight, FDR nominating Al Smith and many others. This is one of the most enjoyable ways of bringing history right into present time.
- If you happened to pass by the auditorium last Friday, you most likely heard quite a bit of noise. No wonder, there were about 2,000 elementary and junior high kids there practicing for the Music Festival that night. They worked from about 8:00 until 11:30 who can blame them for being a little noisy.
- Mr. Reber seems to have a jolly old time with phosphorus. In one of his Chemistry classes he put a rather large chunk of it in his own little sink. The stuff smoked all hour. Those "barking dogs" were really a riot.

THOSE CONFUSING CRINOLINES

Crinolines are really a very confusing subject. First we must begin with a definition . . . "A stiff cloth, originally made of horsehair and linen thread, used for stiffening and as linings." Today's crinoline has several uses: (a) it has a knack for collecting dust and dirt, (b) it is insufferably hot on those torrid summer days, (c) it scratches legs, thus tearing nylons to shreads.

In the spring, usually in the last part of April, there is a mad rush to the local stores for a summer's supply of crinolines. Adams girls don't start wearing crinolines until it really gets hot. They must wait until their friends wear them and their friends must wait until some other friends were them . . . it's really a vicious circle.

Another attractive feature of the crinoline is that it keeps anyone and everyone quite a distance away from you. It makes the skirt stick out so far that it is quite impossible for anyone to get near you.

When having a test or during a reading period, each move you make produces a rather annoying sound. Teachers, in particular, approve of crinolines because the sound makes it impossible to concentrate.

The crinoline is confusing, you must admit. There are only two solutions to the problem: 1) don't wear crinolines, but this is impossible because everyone else does, or 2) go jump in the lake.

Eagle of the Week

This week's Eagle is Jo McCreight. Jo was born in South Bend but moved to Houston, Texas several years ago. The high school she at-



tended in Houston had 2,500 students There Jo was quite active in Booster Club. Last year Jo moved back to South Bend and spent the last three months of her Junior year at Adams.

Jo certainly has been a welcome addition to the John Adams student body. She is renowned for her artistic talent. Did you notice those terrific sets of "A Waltz Dream" or the beautiful mobiles hanging from the four corners? Most likely you havethey are just a sample of Jo's work. Each Saturday Jo works as an assistant at the Art Center. Her future plans are aimed at art. She will attend The School of Fine Arts in St. Louis, Missouri.

At Adams Jo is a member of National Honor Society and soon to be inducted into Thespians. She likes Adams very much because of its friendliness. One of her pet peeves is people who say they will do something but never do it.

This gal from the "lone star" state has made quite an impression on Adams in the short time she has been here. We will always remember her wonderful sense of humor and her friendly smile.

JESTS

Gal: "Say, that's a bad gash you have on your forehead; how did you get it?"

Guy: "I bit myself."

Gal: "Come, come, now, how could you bite yourself on your own forehead?"

Guy: "I stood on a chair."



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FACULTY PRESENTS STYLE SHOW

Soft music was playing as the curtain arose. Twas a John Adams style show, introducing new clothes. The first model thrilled all with his charming way, The outfit was lovely - a black negligee. Sir Nelson (they called him) pranced over the floor, And walked off the stage as the crowd hollered "more!" When applauding had ceased, Mrs. Pate came in view, With a striped bathrobe of a delicate hue. The glee club sang as she waltzed down the aisle, But the prettiest of all was her big happy smile. The center door opened, a blonde girl appeared, She showed off her dress as the audience cheered. Dress pattern was flowered, it really did glow, Lo and behold! This blonde was Miss Kaczmarek, she stole the show. A chartreuse suit - it was really great, The latest thing for a date. Becoming indeed to Mr. Carroll's brown eyes. It would have looked fine if it were his size. The belle of the ball was Mrs. McClure, Wearing a flaming red gown, she had much allure. Mr. Reber appeared in trunks for a swim, A fish would have sunk after one look at him. A golf suit of blue, fit for a sports scene, Just matched Mr. Krider's glasses of green. A sombrero of pink on Miss Law's head sat, While Mr. Roop was sporting a polka dot hat. The finale came soon, with Miss Burns wearing grey. Curtain call for the models, then the vision faded away.

Mathematics Club Formed

In last desperation I decided to scream,

As I did (thank heavens) I awoke from my dream.

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mathematics, history of mathematics. advanced mathematical theory, uses of mathematics, which might include the electronic computers now coming into use in busines and industry. They might be able to visit businesses and industries that make use of such calculators.

Their first meeting was held in the basement of the Library on Tuesdays, May 7, at 8:00. At this meet-

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ing they elected officers. The officers are Tom Price, president; Jack Mc-Cormick, vice president; Arthur Hobbs, secretary-treasurer. No permanent time for meeting has been set. Mr. Volney Weir is the sponsor of this club. Organization of this club is taking place this spring.

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CLUB NEWS

DRAMA CLUB

On Tuesday, May 14, the Drama Club announced the results of the May 7 elections. The results are: President, Dave Brownell; vice-president, Paul Troup; secretary, Truly Thompson; treasurer, Brenda Barritt; board members, Virginia Davis, Beth Ryon, Gayle Heyn, Arthur Hobbs, Sue Welber, Larry Thompson, and Brian Hedman.

Joan Jacobs and John Ross were awarded the best member pins.

FUTURE NURSES CLUB

The Future Nurses Club held their annual elections. New officers for 1957-58 are: President, Barbara Maculski; vice-president, Judy Singler; secretary, Wilma Stewart; treasurer. Sheila Hoffman.

Mrs. Dorothy Chamberlin is faculty advisor and Mrs. Airsman is medical auxiliary advisor. Meetings are held every second and fourth Thursday in

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Golfers Win Another To Bring Season to 5 & 7

The varsity golfers split two meets in the past week. On May 7 they were guests of Mishawaka on the Eberhart course. This meet was lost 8-7 with the scoring ranging from 77-92. Ron Milliken again took honors with a score of 77. Ron Miller followed with an 81. Then came Bob Lott and Dave Chizek each with an 82 and finally John Van Aman with a 92.

On a windy May 2 they met Central at the Morris Park Country Club. Adams came out the victors in this contest by a score of 13-2. Ron Milliken scored another 77 with Ron Miller running a close 78. John Van Aman followed with an 84 and Bob Lott and Dave Chizek tied again, this time with an 86. This brings the season to a standing of 5 wins and 7 losses.

The "B" team had a match with Washington - Clay at the Morris Park Country Club on May 6. Scoring in this match were Joe Cissill with an 85, Jim Stonerook with an 85, Peter Trescott with an 88, Ken Turnock with a 97, and Burke Jackson with a 90.

ADAMS THINLIES BOW TO WASH. PANTHERS

Washington, having lost only to Central, piled up another victory by beating the Adams track men 84 1/2 to 24 2/3 on May 7. Varsity members who scored in the 100-yard dash were Osmon, 2nd, and Taylor, 3rd. In the Mile run Petzke placed 3rd. In the 440-yard dash Osmon placed 1st and McCormick 3rd. Running the low hurdles 'Turner came in 3rd. Davis placed 2nd in the 220-yard Going to the field events dash. Nichols placed 3rd in the shot put, Alford placed 2nd and a tie between Turner and Davis for 3rd in the broad jump, Alford placed 1st in the pole vault and Taylor tied for 1st in the high jump.

St. Joseph Nipped 2-0

John Adams Eagles, featuring magnificent pitching from Gary Wallman and Ken Marvel and outstanding fielding from Chuck Broyles, nipped St. Joseph last Wednesday, 2-0 in a non-conference game played on the Adams diamond.

Wallman and Marvel hurled a four hitter. Rich Hafron of St. Joe also pitched superb ball allowing only two hits. The Eagles played great ball again, and were in little trouble.

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TIE CULVER 1-1 IN EXTRA INNING GAME

The Eagles reached the height of futility Tuesday evening as they left 13 men stranded on base while battling the host Culver team to a 1-1 in nine innings. Obviously, there was no lack of opportunity to push across runs — Eagle batsmen reached base fifteen times, were stranded in scoring position seven times, but, as is apparent, the lack of clutch hitting paralyzed the Eagles' cause.

The lone Adams run was scored. not by a hit, but as the result of a double steal. With lead-off man Sternal, on third and John Thompson on first with one out in the first inning, John broke, somewhat belatedly, for second. Sternal, observing the first and second basemen busily ingrossed in the project of running down Thompson, took off for home. Too late, first-sacker, Griffith, realizing his error, and threw to home in a futile attempt to nab Sternal. He made it across. The next two batters set the pattern for the day when they left Thompson on third after easy infield outs.

The remarkable hurling of Gary Wallman went for naught. The astute pitcher allowed a mere three hits while whiffing twelve, but Culver scored in the fifth when Cadet pitcher Hander doubled to open the frame and proceeded to score on two infield outs. Wallman who showed excellent control, was complete master the rest of the way. The hapless Eagle attack was brightened by Wallman's double, not to mention the stout hitting of Dick Scott and John Thompson. Scotty hit a single and a double and stole two bases while John singled twice and was intentionally passed in the fifth. But Scott was left thrice and Thompson four times, due to the shameful lack of hitting wihen it was needed badly. Even the fielding was improved, as Adams hit a season low in errors. In fact, with hitting, base running, fielding, and excellent pitching, the team had everything it needed to win, except runs.

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Adams Ties for 5th Place in Sectional

Adams track team made a good showing, tieing for 5th place among 23 schools, May 10 at the Sectional track meet in Mishawaka. The halfmile relay team which consists of Fred Osmon, "Deacon" Davis, Phil Barton, and Gene Phillips, qualified for the Regional which will be held at Mishawaka tonight.. Adams had a total of nine points. Central won the Sectional with a total of 48 points.

In the 100-yard dash Fred Osmon placed 4th, and he also placed 3rd in the 440-yard dash. The half-mile relay team of Osmon, Davis, Barton, and Phillips placed 2nd.

Witkowski Pitches No-Hitter As Eagles Drop Conference Game 2-0

Last Friday afternoon Gene Witkowski, Mishawaka ace moundsman, pitched a no-hit, no-run game.

Witkowski was in superb form throughout the game, twice retiring the side on strikeouts. The feat was even more outstanding realizing that no Eagle batter was able to get the ball beyond the infield. He also struck out thirteen and walked four.

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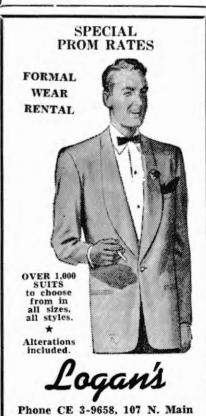
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The John Adams nine featuring an eight-hit attack, with eight stolen bases sandwiched inbetween, coasted to an easy 10-1 Eastern Division NIHSC baseball victory over Central May 3 on the Adams diamond. Helping Adams to victory was the consistent misjudging of ground balls by the Bears infielders. Altogether the Central nine contributed ten errors to the Eagle cause.

Ken Marvel hurled superbly for the Eagles allowing only three hits. He struckout nine and walked only one. Wesley Rachels and Ron Sternal were the boys that sparked the team of hitting. Rachels contributing three hits to the cause, and Sternal two. Both of Sternal's timely hits eventually led to runs.

Moundsmen's Last Game

Tonight finds everyone busy. After school there is the last regularly scheduled baseball game. This time we are to be host to our eastern neighbors, the Elkhart Blue Blazers. Also, this same afternoon the regional track meet is to be held over in Mishawaka. Adams has a half-mile relay team which qualified for this meet.

On the 21st there will be the City Track Meet. This meet is one of the highlights of the track season and should be very interesting.

On the 25th there wil be the State Track Meet. This is to be held in Indianapolis. We sincerly hope to see some points earned by the thinlies.



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