

CHOOSE FISCHGRUND, MAY, LEHR, GRANT FOR AFS

Math Club Brings Special Assembly

Dr. James R. Voss, manager of computer facilities in the missile section of the Bendix Products Division, will be the feature speaker at the Mathematics Demonstration Assembly which is to be held on February 11, 1959.

Dr. Voss, a mathematical physicist who received his Ph.D. degree from Purdue University, will speak on **Mathematics, Missiles, and Rockets**. Following his talk a movie, **Into the Yonder**, will be shown to the student body.

The mathematics assembly has been planned and sponsored by Mu Alpha Theta, National Mathematics Club at John Adams, under the leadership and guidance of Robert Ingalls, president, and Mr. Volney Weir, club sponsor.

It is hoped that this assembly will increase students' interest in mathematics, and cause them to realize the importance of it in the world of today.

Northwestern Offers Diversified High School Summer Program

"Cherubs on the big time" aptly describes the annual crop of high school students chosen to attend the National High School Institutes at Northwestern University. This year's Institute will be held from June 28 - August 1, 1959.

The title of "cherub," often attributed to a Northwestern librarian who commented on the cherubic appearance of the high school students, is nationally famous. High school students representing every section of the country, Canada, Hawaii, the Philippines, the Canal Zone, and our forty-ninth state have invaded the campus for 5 weeks of every summer for the past 29 years to study journalism, speech, engineering and science, and music, under a staff of trained counselors. Education has been added to this year's program for a selective group of would-be teachers.

Institutors Enjoy Campus Atmosphere

The Institute provides an unusual opportunity for talented and ambitious students to work and study under a university faculty, in a university atmosphere, with all the extensive facilities of a large university. Students live in the dormitories and enjoy the privileges of the private beach and of the full summer program of recreation. The Evanston Campus, on the shore of Lake Michigan, is only thirteen miles from the Chicago Loop, and the recreational and educational advantages of the city are put to good use.

The program of the Institute is presented through five divisions: journalism; speech--dramatics, radio-television-film, debate and public speaking; engineering and science--chemistry, physics, and mathematics; music--instrumental and vocal training; education--program designed to interest young people in the field of teaching.

While each of the divisions presents a specialized training program, they plan some aspects of their programs — (Continued on Page 2, Column 3)

Four Named in AFS Semi-Finals

Cathy Fischgrund, Katie May, Terry Lehr, and Bob Grant are the four semi-finalists in the Adams American Field Service program. At least one of them will have the opportunity to live in Europe during this summer. Judy Hehl applied for the AFS program which enables an American student to go to school for one semester in another country.

The four excited juniors, scarcely able to talk, were ushered into Mr. Nelson's office on Friday, January 30, to learn of their selection.

Judge Essays

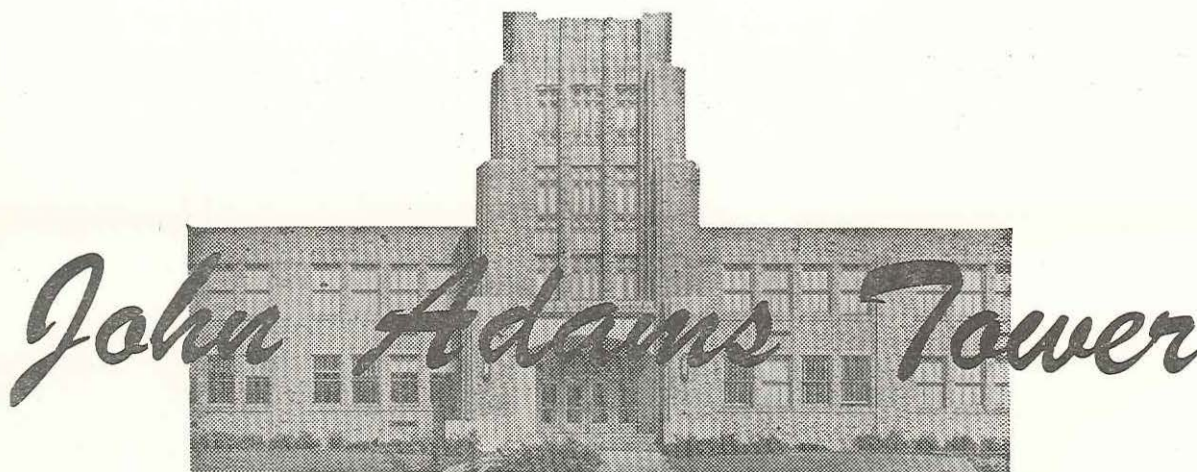
A screening committee, made up members of the faculty and Gail Levy, last year's exchange student, reviewed twenty-two applications, the largest number that has ever applied. The selections were made on the basis of essays that the students wrote, stating why they wished to be chosen for the program. Judy is Adam's first applicant for the European school program. Her application will be sent to New York for further consideration. If chosen, Judy hopes to go to Spain.

Cathy, Katie, Terry, and Bob will fill out another set of applications, write an essay, and send those papers to New York. The winning name or names, decided in the New York AFS office, will be announced sometime in March.

The program of the American Field Service is designed to further relations between countries and aid in better understanding of the peoples of the world. Their motto is "Walk together, Talk together, O ye peoples of the earth; then and only then will ye have peace."

The American Field Service also sponsors a plan by which students such as Michele Engel and Jan Robbe may study in this country.

The AFS program has been in existence for many years. (Continued on Page 4, Column 4)



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Debaters Discuss World Education

The value of United States education versus that of foreign countries, an important issue in our nation today, is the national debate topic for the current year.

In addition to exposing the debater to the happenings of the world, participation in the Debate Club teaches its members to express themselves in an intelligent manner, to gather information, to analyze a subject thoroughly, and to present their views with confidence, assurance, and persuasiveness.

Debating activities for the current year include extemporaneous speaking contests and round-table discussions as well as debates with surrounding high schools. The debating season is concluded with a banquet followed by after dinner speeches. The highlight of the evening is the announcement of the results of the debates and the school with the leading debate team.

Through debating a student gains experience that will be of value to him throughout his life.

Pat Rusk to Solo With Symphony

Patricia Rusk, Adams senior, will solo with the South Bend Symphony Orchestra on Sunday, February 8, at 3:30 p.m. Mr. Edwin H. Haymes is the director of the symphony.

The Grieg Piano Concerto in A Minor will be Pat's selection. She played the same number with the All-City Orchestra on tour two years ago and with the Adams band as a sophomore.

Last night, Thursday, February 5, Pat appeared on The Show, a WNDU-TV late program from 12:00 until 12:30. Pat Fitzgerald interviewed her regarding her piano playing and her appearance Sunday.

We're Sorry!

The Tower wishes to apologize for the omission of the following names from last week's Honor Roll: Jim Weir received 4 A's and 1 B; Janice Shoemaker, 3 A's and 2 B's; and Linda Gumz, 2 A's and 2 B's.

SUPPORT THE MARCH OF DIMES

DOYLE ADDRESSES HONOR STUDENTS

Mayor Albert L. Doyle of Mishawaka was the guest speaker for the annual Honor Breakfast given by the National Honor Society of John Adams High School on the morning of February 4, 1959. A committee, under the chairmanship of Marshall Nelson, who was assisted by Ann Bennett, Jo Dobecki, and Fred Kuemerle, planned and organized the affair.

The menu consisted of juice, scrambled eggs, sweet rolls, and milk and was prepared by the school's capable cafeteria staff.

Special guests were Dr. Alex Jardine, Superintendent of Schools in South Bend, Mr. Russell Rothermel, principal of John Adams, and Mr. Thomas Keiser, faculty sponsor of the National Honor Society of John Adams.

Students receiving invitations to the affair were those who received straight A's for the previous semester's grading period. Those students recognized for having earned five A's were Carolyn Bird, Cathy Fischgrund, (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

Hi-Y's Present 'Swingheart Sway'

The season of hearts and flowers is nearly upon us. Among the festivities the annual Swingheart Sway dance stands out. Given each year by the St. Joseph County Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Council, this year's dance will be held on Friday, February 13, from 9 - 12 p.m. at the Indiana Club.

The Belvederes will provide the music for the semi-formal affair. The Hi-Y groups in each school are selling tickets which are \$2 per couple.

Each school will elect a "valentine" for the dance. Election of the St. Joseph County Swingheart Sway Queen will take place on the evening of the dance by the persons attending the dance. The Queen's Court of Honor will consist of all the school "valentines."

As is the custom at all school-sponsored functions, corsages will not be permitted.

This is the outstanding Hi-Y social event of the year, so buy your tickets now from the Adams Hi-Y members.

The 'Little Man's' Report Can Be Heard for Miles Around

Jim's a real good golfer. Just won the summer tournament! But you sure wouldn't know it. He doesn't publicize it. I really admire him for his MODESTY.

Now John's just the opposite. He gave a good report in history on the Spanish-American War. In fact it was the only "A" paper in the class. But he's the first one to tell you he deserved it and that his was the best. I certainly don't like that kind of person, do you?

Why is it that we admire MODESTY? The modest person, I feel, sets his goal at working hard to have the most fun, or to get as much money as possible for the crippled children, or to attempt to better himself. Essentially the modest person gains satisfaction from having reached this goal or from having done a job well.

On the other hand, the immodest individual gains satisfaction from the personal recognition which results from having done a good job.

In addition, the modest person realizes that he has done a job better than others, but that these people can do certain other things better than he. Therefore, he doesn't feel superior and doesn't publicize his feat. He doesn't pretend to be better than others.

These are the things which we recognize when we say, "I admire him because he is modest."

If we admire this quality in others, we should certainly attempt to make it a part of ourselves.

—P. L.

The Nut Behind The Wheel . . .

Looking out over the local horizon what do we see but an inanimate object, an obstacle blocking the road. Of course! It's only another car stuck in the snow. We hear the familiar grating sound of spinning wheels, as our hearts and shovels go out to the victim.

Driving around this time of year is no joke. The icy roads are extremely hazardous and call for a great reduction in speed. The skids and the close calls we have seen and experienced testify to this.

Patience and alertness are very important qualities to display these days. It takes longer to arrive at our destinations, and it also takes every ounce of concentration and care at the wheel.

Just remember this little motto: Drive carefully—the life you save may be mine.

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'F', But Interesting

The following is an excerpt from the private, uncensored files of Mr. Robert L. Seeley, noted philosopher, theologian, philanthropist, and outstanding world traveler of our area. The collection from which this masterpiece has been taken is the result of many years of painstaking work on the part of the collector. Its contents contain many of the world's most notorious works of literature by internationally-known writers. However, the author of this work prefers to remain anonymous for the sake of modesty.

"The Life of Mohammed"

Our boy started out driving camels for bread but he decided that that was too much work so our boy who is good with the love words gets hooked with the big wheel of the camel outfit who is a woman.

After they get married he does not have to work for bread anymore so he spends most of his time with his crazy little idea about religine and his old lady foots the bill (what a life). He starts to try to get people to believe his ideas. His ideas did not go to far West because the people that lived there followed there herds around and they did not settled down any palce so no religine.

Our boy having more time starts his crazy little ideas else where and his old lady is stell footing the bill with his old lady footing the bill he starts to go all over. If he would have been smart he would of done away with his old lady took all of her money and had a good time.

NU Instituturs Go Collegiate

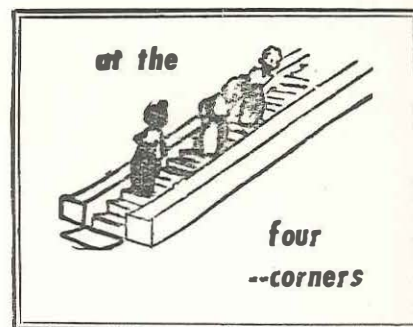
(Continued from Page 1, Column 2) together. The important common aim is to develop poised, intellectually alert, articulate young men and women who can assume positions of leadership in the high schools and communities to which they return, and also to give them an insight into university life to which most of them aspire in the near future.

Must Meet Standards

The basic requirements for admission to the Institute are as follows: (1) Rank scholastically in the first quarter of his class. (2) Must be 16 and not more than 20 years old. (3) Meet a high standard of character, dependability, and intelligence. (4) Give evidence of special ability in his chosen field. Each division also has certain requirements.

The cost of the 5-week program comes to \$250 which covers room and board, tuition, and an activities fee which provides for group events and trips. Tuition scholarships may be obtained.

If any students are interested in attending the Institute, they may contact Miss Burns for further information.



Deep in the heart of taxes, there's the one about the irate taxpayer in Chicago who sent his check in, addressed to: City Haul—Chicago, Ill.

Barbara Longfellow has been elected president of the BR RU Fan Club. I'll join, will you?

Have you heard the new Barber-shop Quartet composed of **Ronnie Meadow** (soprano), **Judy Hehl** (tenor), **Carolyn Bird** (bass), and **Anita Clayton** (percussion)? Its most popular request is none other than "the Neumode Nylons Song."

Overheard in a court room: On next Wednesday morning, at the bright and early hour of five, the mockingbird will be exercising its imitative tonsile beneath the pungent branches of the persimmon tree . . .

The bluebirds will be humming dulcet tunes to a thousand mates in nearby trees, and the warm Virginia breezes will, like so many gentle zephyrs, kiss the sycamore and the pine . . .

The sap will be coursing gayly through the pulsating cottonwood . . . All nature, in the ecstasy of its joyous, seasonal exuberance, will call out carols of lyric beauty . . . But you, you slob, will enjoy none of it . . . Because I hearby sentence you to die at midnight Tuesday.

Pat Schering, 1, 2, 3, 4, swish, BOOM! 1, 2, 3, 4, swish, BOOM! 1, 2, 3, 4, swish, BOOM! 1, 2, . . .

Confucius say: "Some vimmen ave hour-glass figuh; others let sand sink to bottom."

Kent Hedman has adeptly come up with the quote and color of the week. The quote is: "But you can't - - with - , can you?" And the color is blushing-red.

You know, only a convict likes to be stopped in the middle of a sentence, but we have death-house records to show that some of the lads hate to wait for a certain period. That's the date when the state wants to close the books against them. Such as the chap about to be hanged. The fellow was asked if he had anything to say. "Yes, I sure do," he said, "I want to say that this is going to be a lesson to me."

While Sir Walter Raleigh was imprisoned in the Tower of London, the barber came to dress his beard. But Raleigh refused, saying, "At present, friend, there is a lawsuit pending between me and the king about his head, and I don't intend to lay out any money on it until it is decided which of us it is to belong to."

The warden informed one of the boys in Alabama, "It's your last meal. You can have anything you want." "Thanks," he said, "I'll take watermelon." "But this is December," pleaded the warden, "watermelons aren't planted yet, much less ripe." The other smiled, "I can wait."

Tender Ode to a Piece of Chalk

(This is the first of a series of masterpiece odes written for this journal by the distinguished poet, Lee Chaden.)

Oh little piece of lime-like matter,
How hard it is for you to get fatter.
While other things can eat and grow,
You must disintegrate into powder;
like snow.

Oh minute accumulation of ancient shells,
Why must you lie in a cupboard
that smells
Of ink, erasers, crayons, and such,
Admit little friends, too much is too much!

Someday, perhaps, when you are dusted,
Off the board into a basket rusted,
You will be remembered by one kind preacher
As the martyr assimilated by some cruel teacher.

WHAT IF . . .

Fritz Aichele could only speak with an Indian twang?

Lynne Palmer sang bass?

Mr. Seeley had never been out of South Bend?

Terry Lehr was a party-pooper?

French VI were a "breeze?"

Sheila Hamburg sold hot-dogs?

Karen Johnson didn't have a name-sake?

Bruce wasn't **Bare**?

Sam Purdy was a woman hater?

Tom Pearson played piccolo?

Alfred E. Neuman never heard of MAD?

Dan Bolenbaugh had the disposition of a lamb?

Mr. Roop never used only one-syllable words?

Lee Chaden didn't heckle **Mr. Brady**?

Kenny Marvel looked anemic?

Bill Butler knew the right answers in World History?

Ben Endres liked "Italian Delight?"

Becky Papandria liked to eat rabbit?



Feb. 6—Frosh Basketball—
Adams vs. Penn Twn.—T

7—City Swim Meet
Sectional Wrestling Meet

9—Swimming—
Adams vs. Hammond—T

11—Math Demonstration
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Pat has played the piano for 13 years, and in addition plays a violin and saxophone very well. The cornet, French horn, organ, and viola are not strange to her either. A 13 B student, Pat has been concert mistress of the Adams orchestra since coming to Adams and concert mistress of the All-City Orchestra for two seasons.

Studies at St. Mary's

In addition to studying with her mother, Pat has been privileged to be instructed on the piano by Dr. Leo Podolsky, head of the piano department at the Sherwood School of Music in Chicago; Dr. Dorsey Whittington of the National Music Camp at Interlochen, Michigan; and Dr. Louis Artau at St. Mary's College where Pat is a special student. For the past four years, Pat has also been soloist-accompanist for the Studebaker-Packard Male Chorus under the direction of Ethel Stuart Gaumer.

Pat has spent three summers at the National Music Camp in Interlochen, Michigan, and has won superior ratings in the International Recording Contest for three years. She also has won two trophies in the International Music Festival and approximately 50 medals in state music contests. She plans to play **Tschaikowsky's Concerto #2** with the Adams band at an assembly in March and the **Rachmaninoff Concerto in E Minor #2** at DePauw University.

Two hours of practice each day are routine with Pat who also teaches both piano and violin lessons. At present, she is planning to be a concert pianist and hopes to attend Eastman School of Music, Rochester, New York.

Ed, an Adams sophomore, is proficient on the piano and saxophone, but is also familiar with a clarinet, flute, cornet, baritone, and the drums. He has studied piano for 11 years. He divides his two hours of daily practice between the piano and sax and teaches on the latter instrument. He has played first-chair saxophone with the band since his arrival at Adams when he replaced his sister in that key position.

Ed Promotes Dance Band

The Van Dannes, a dance band, is Ed's own enterprise, but he also plays with Bob Lee's band. His present plans include majoring in music at the college of his choice which is yet undecided. In the near future, Ed will be interviewed by Sigmund Rasher, who is probably the top saxophone player in the country.

About 40 medals have been garnered by Ed in state contests, and he has attended two summer sessions at the Interlochen Camp. He has also participated in the Northern Indiana Band Festival Solo Competition. Contrary to popular belief concerning boy musicians, Ed is an active participant in sports.

Both Pat and Ed were awarded superior ratings at the piano contest held last Saturday, January 31, and they both were part of the special Elkhart Centennial band. They have been members of the National Guild for five years.

Popular as well as classical music is included in both of their repertoires as each can go easily from **Brahms** to the **Bumble Boogie**. Both have excellent knowledge of the universal language and are well on their way to satisfying careers in the field of music. The TOWER wishes them both the best of luck.

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Teams To Be In City, Sectional Meets

Eagles Tame Wildcats in Thriller; 'B' Team Wins Fourteenth Game

The Adams Eagles, staging a second quarter comeback and a fourth period onslaught, rushed to their 12th win of the campaign as they turned back the Riley Wildcats 69-58, last Friday, January 30.

The first quarter set the stage for the Eagles' comeback as Riley shot to a 20-12 first quarter lead. Adams could not click on all five cylinders as Bud McKnight and Neil Bradley did all the scoring in the first stanza.

Adams quickly got going as they closed the margin to two, 20-18, after three minutes had elapsed in the second quarter. Play see-sawed back and forth and Riley led at the half, 30-26.

Third Quarter Tie

At the five-minute mark of the third quarter, Adams still trailed 36-31. The Eagles made a serious bid for the lead as they tied the score at the end of the third period and played even up to a 50-50 score with 5:24 remaining in the thrilling game.

Excellent quick thinking, good passes, and some nifty shooting shot the Eagles into a lead and brought Adams' rooters to their feet as quick baskets and sharp passes by Gene Phillips, Ken Marvel, and McKnight gave Adams a 62-58 lead. But Riley's woe was not to cease as in the last 41 seconds John Adams cashed in seven straight points, climaxed by a three-point play by Tom Townsend.

Marvel, McKnight Lead Scoring

The Panthers of Gary Roosevelt, enraged at being dropped out of the top ten in the latest ratings of Indiana high school basketball teams, let off all their anger at the expense of the John Adams Eagles 77-60 in a game played Wednesday, January 28, in Gary. Manny Newsome and Curt Williams led the Panther attack that offset the efforts of the Eagles duet of Buddy McKnight and Ken Marvel that accounted for all but six of the Eagle markers.

The game was nip and tuck throughout the first stanza with the lead changing hands eight times and the score knotted up on three occasions. A bucket by McKnight late in the period gave Adams 13-12 advantage only to have Roosevelt gain a point bulge at the end of the quarter at 14-13.

From here on in the Panthers were never headed and only threatened once. Early in the second period a field goal by Marvel tied the count at 18 all, but Roosevelt, led by the deadly Newsome, fought back to garner a 34-28 halftime advantage.

The third stanza which had made the Eagles many times previous broke them in this contest as Gary outtalled them 32-13, to take a 66-41 third quarter lead. Newsome and Williams added five baskets apiece to the Panther cause during the period.

Although the Eagles found the going easier in the final eight minutes of action, the best they could do was to cut the final margin to 77-60. McKnight led the charge with 28, Marvel following with 26 while Newsome and Williams led Roosevelt with 25 and 14 respectively.

High scorer was McKnight with 28 points, helped out by Phillips' 11 points. Good team defense and an improved offense enabled the Eagles to tame those pesky Wildcats.

The Beagles also won as they added number 14 to their record. They dropped the Riley Bees 37-31 as Riley only stayed in the game with free throws.

Matmen Place in Conference Meet

The Adams wrestlers finished fourth out of 11 teams in the Conference wrestling meet last Saturday. The Eagles earned 53 points as Jerry Minkow finished third in the 120-lb. class, Tom Maggert finished second in the 128-lb. division, Bob Hall finished second in the 167-lb. division, and Jerry Karczewski finished second in the 177-lb. division.

Swimmers to Dive Into City Meet

The John Adams swimming team added two victories to their record last week by defeating Washington and Whiting. The Seagles downed inter-city rival Washington 62-38 and sank Whiting 66-20.

Summary:

Washington

400-yd. freestyle — Grant and Gerber tied for third.

40-yd. freestyle — Fett 1st; J. Hartke 2nd. Time: :19.9.

100-yd. butterfly — D. Hartke 1st. Time: 1:16.

200-yd. freestyle — T. Brandley 1st; Reynolds 3rd. Time: 2:12.7.

100-yd. backstroke — Kowals 1st. Time: 1:07.

100-yd. freestyle — Gerber 1st; B. Brandley 3rd. Time: 1:04.7.

100-yd. breaststroke — Hammes 1st; Busse 2nd. Time: 1:14.7.

Diving — Welch 2nd; Phelps 3rd.

Individual Medley — Kowals 1st; Klaer 3rd. Time: 1:18.1.

240-yd. medley relay — (A) Fett, D. Hartke, Hammes, Welch.

160-yd. freestyle relay — (A) T. Brandley, J. Hartke, Busse, Gerber.

Whiting

40-yd. freestyle — Fett 1st; J. Hartke 2nd. Time: :19.6.

100-yd. butterfly — T. Brandley 1st; Kowals 2nd. Time: 1:06.1.

200-yd. freestyle — Reynolds 1st; D. Hartke 2nd. Time: 2:21.

100-yd. backstroke — Hartke 1st; Harlan 2nd. Time: 1:09.6.

100-yd. freestyle — Fett 1st; T. Brandley 2nd. Time: :57.4.

100-yd. breaststroke — Busse and Hammes tied for 1st. Time: 1:14.1.

Diving — Welch 2nd.

Individual medley — Kowals 1st; D. Hartke 2nd. Time: 1:18.

Bears Are Victors In Frosh Contest

The Adams frosh were outscored by a stronger and faster Central team for the second time this season by a score of 49-36.

The contest was held here on January 29. In the last two games Frank Mock has led the frosh in scoring, dropping in 11 points in the Central game.

Beagles Challenge Penn Twp. Varsity

The John Adams "B" team meets the Penn Township varsity team tonight at Penn Township. This game should provide some of the stiffest competition of this season for this year's fine "B" team, which is sporting a 14-1 record.

The Adams freshman squad will meet Penn's frosh in the curtain raiser at 6:30 p.m. The frosh basketball team takes on Elkhart North Side next Thursday, February 12.

All-City Meets

The Adams swimmers will participate in the South Bend City Meet tomorrow at the Natatorium. Qualifications start at 2 p.m. and the finals begin at 7 p.m. On February 9, the Seagles travel to Hammond for their final dual meet of the season.

The wrestling team will compete in the sectional wrestling meet tomorrow at Thomas Edison School. The morning session begins at 9:30 a.m. and the other sessions start at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

AHS Participates in 'Americans Abroad'

(Continued from Page 1, Column 4) istence at Adams since 1953. The first student to participate was Marilee Crofts who went to Germany. The following year 3 students, Naomi Ross, Kent Keller, and Bill Waechter, spent the summer in Germany and France. In 1955 Adams hit the jackpot with 4 AFSers. Jim Hoehn, Gwen Garwood, and Charmain Burke went to Germany, while Joan Berry lived in Norway. 1956 saw Barbara McIntyre go to Norway. Two years ago Gayle Heyn was the choice as she went to France. Gail Levy is still recounting her summer in Germany.

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