

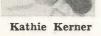
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Choose Royal Court eniors















Sandy Weaver Anna Vincenti

Student Body to Elect Queen to Reign At Adams-Central Football Game

Crowning of the gueens during the halftime ceremonies will be the highlight of the Adams-Central week-end.

To determine the candidates for queen, members of the senior class voted for two senior girls in their home rooms on Wednesday, September 23. The eight girls who received the greatest number of votes, in addition to Anna Vincenti, our foreign exchange student from Argentina, comprise the court. Elections for the queen will take place today on the voting machine at

the TOWER door. The entire student body will have

an opportunity to vote for one of these nine girls: Nancy Horvath . . . home room 211 . . . escorted by Jeff Butler . . . Junior Red Cross representative . . . member of Booster Club . . . member of TOWER business staff.

Kathie Kerner . . . home room 211 . . . escorted by Terry Lehr . . . member of Booster Club . . publicity co-chairman for Senior Carnival . . . member of TOWER business staff.

. . home room 119 Katie May escorted by Bill Baldwin ... vice-president of National Honor Society ... chairman of publicity for Glee Club ... member of Student Council Board . . . member of Booster Club .30ard ... Senior Editor of ALBUM.

Susie Nelson . , home room 110 secretary of Student Council . . . varsity cheerleader . . . secretary of Booster Club . . vice-president of orchestra . . . member of National Honor Society.

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Vicki Ostrander . . . home room 110 class secretary . . . advertising co-manager of ALBUM staff . . . member of Booster Club.

Mary Reber . . . home room 110 . . . escorted by Bill Hammes . . . TOWER Exchange Editor . . . member of Code of Ethics Committee . . . senior class treasurer.

Jeanne Scussel . . . home room 208 . escorted by Denny Hubbard Princess of Junior Prom . . . Freshman Editor of ALBUM.

Anna Vincenti . . . home room 219 . . escorted by Marc Volland, our other exchange student from Switzerland . . . member of Senior Glee Club . member of Student Council.

Sandy Weaver . . . home room 124 . escorted by Dave Mickelsen . . cheerleader captain . . . Student Council treasurer . . . member of Eagle Ethics Committee . . . member of Booster Club . . . Faculty Editor of ALBUM.

RALLY AND DANCE TO PRECEDE GAME

In preparation and celebration of the game with Central tomorrow night, the traditional bonfire rally and Eagle-Bear Romp will be held tonight.

Potawatomi Park will be the scene of the rally at 6:30 p.m. In addition to a guest speaker, Mr. Russell Rothermel and Mr. Rupert T. Ferrell, principals of Adams and Central respectively, will speak.

Cheerleaders from both schools will lead cheers. The members of the two courts will be introduced. These activities are under the direction of Dave Hoyt.

This year, Central is in charge of the Eagle-Bear Romp which will be held in the Little Theater from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Tickets for the dance are being sold at Adams by Les Hickman, Dave Hoyt, Terry Lehr, Carol Nace, Sue Nelson, and Sandy Weaver at \$1.00 per couple.

Terry Miller's band from Central will provide the music.

Mayor To Speak At Ethics Assembly

The third annual Ethics assembly will be held on Thursday, October 8. The guest speaker will be Mayor Albert L. Doyle of Mishawaka. Mayor Doyle will speak on the subject of the practical application of the Ethics Code to high school life.

In charge of the program are: Sue Topping, Lynn Ehlers, and Dave Spence. Pat Bezeredy, the chairman of the Eagle Ethics Committee, will introduce Mayor Doyle.

Recently, members of the Eagle Ethics Committee have gone into freshman civics classes and by leading discussion groups have tried to give the freshmen a better understanding of the Ethics.

Committees Work on Play Production The Drama Club and Thespians, under the direction of Mr. William Brady, have begun work on the annual fall play, "The Thread That Runs So True,"

Jeanne Scussel

to be presented October 15 and 16. The play was written by Reginald Lawrence from the book by Jesse Stuart. It pictures some of Stuart's experiences as a teacher in a backwoods Kentucky one-room school house.

The long hours that the actors devote to rehearsal represent only a part of the effort spent on the play's production. Various committees also give a great deal of time and effort in producing a successful play.

The ticket committee, under the direction of Ann MacLean and Carol Ann Schiller, has already printed and distributed tickets to club members. It is also in charge of the sale of tickets and the final account of money and tickets returned at the end of the sale.

A committee on properties, headed by Julie Johnson and Sherry Clarke, is responsible for obtaining all props and scenery, excluding sets. The members of this committee also work backstage, seeing that the various props are ready to be carried on stage when they are needed.

Cookie Mickelsen is in charge of the costume committee, which is responsible for obtaining costumes needed in the play, maintaining the costumes already owned by the school, and altering and distributing them.

Rita Cosper heads the set committee and is in charge of designing and painting the sets. Other production committees in-

clude publicity, directed by chairmen Terry Lehr and Sue Stoner; program, under Sandi Baker and Jim Weir: and make-up, headed by Cathy Fischgrund.

Dave Mickelsen is in charge of the backstage crew and serves as stage manager.

Carolyn Bird is assisting Mr. Brady as student director. Among her many duties are coordinating committee heads and seeing that they meet their deadlines; setting up and posting rehearsal schedules; making sure ac-tors make their entrances and are (Cont'd on Page 2, Col. 3)

Ralston to Discuss Russian Trip for PTA

"Inside Russia," filmed and narrated by Mr. Robert Ralston, will be the timely topic at the first P.T.A. meeting of the season on Tuesday, October 6, in the Little Theatre. Mr. Ralston, the band instructor at Adams, toured Russia last summer and studied the people and their environment.

The devotions will be given by members of the Student Council.

background of Russian music will be provided by an instrumental trio.

IN MEMORIAM -

RICHARD JORDAN December 20, 1943 — September 24, 1959

CHARLES JORDAN July 19, 1940 — September 24, 1959

There is no death! What seems so is transition; this life of mortal breath is but a suburb of the life elysian, whose

portal we call death. —LongFellow.

It is with great sorrow that we mourn the untimely passing of Richard Jordan and his brother Charles. The tragic incident that claimed the lives of Richard and Charles came as a blow to all those who knew and loved them.

The boys were the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Jordan, 550 N. Twyckenham Drive. Richard, member of the sophomore class of John Adams, attended Thomas Jefferson grade school. While at Adams he was a competent member of the Screen Club and the Explorer Scout Troup. He was also a track team aspirant for the coming spring semester. Charles was a 1958 graduate of Central High School.

To the members of the Jordan family, the John Adams student body and faculty join in heartfelt sympathy.

Tradition — A Help or Hindrance?

Man desires to follow the paths of his predecessors, and for this reason, he has developed various customs and traditions. These practices may help or hinder the progress of man, depending on the way in which they are executed and performed.

We, the students of John Adams high school, have gradually developed our own traditions in the twenty years of the school's existence. Many of these customs improve the student body. For example, the Student Council's annual "Sho' Ya Roun'" helps to acquaint freshmen with our school. The Honor Breakfast, sponsored by the National Honor Society, places a premium on good scholarship, and the Booster Club's "Eagle Bear Romp" is beneficial, for it promotes school spirit, and encourages sportsmanship between rival schools.

However, when tradition interferes with progress and advantageous changes, it is detrimental. There is no justification for the continuation of a particular way of doing something merely because some contend that , "It has always been done in this manner." This attitude hinders progress and improvement, and prevents creativity.

We may let tradition guide us, but we must remember not to let it control us.

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Ceremony Installs New G.A.A. Officers

Wednesday afternoon, September, 23, the officers of the Girls' Athletic Association were installed in a ceremony in the Little 'Theatre

Caroline Jones, outgoing president, began the ceremony by welcoming new members. Ginny Warner, the outgoing secretary-treasurer, administered oath of office to Karen Howell, secretary, and Sandy Cogdell, treasurer.

Caroline Jones presented the president's gavel to Helen Bready to begin her term of office. In conclusion, each new officer received a G.A.A. pin for her activity last year.

Other active members will receive their pins at a later date.

Janovsky Appointed To Tower News Post

Sandra Janovsky has been named to the Tower staff to serve as News Editor. Sandy is replacing Sherry Clarke who resigned because of a schedule conflict. Sandy's new duties began with the October 2nd issue.

FUTILITY By JERRY HOBBS

The old white-haired man squated on the beach, drawing meaningless pictures in the sand. Surrounded by the limitless, empty ocean, his tiny desert island with a single coconut tree in the center was like a small, lonely village lost on a desolate plain with only a church spire rising to the sky.

He did not remember how he got there, or when, or even where he was. He did not even remember what he had done the day before, or even that morning. What's more, he didn't even care. He did not know what he was going to do tomorrow, or what was going to happen to him, or whether he would even be there. He didn't care about this either.

With his finger, the skinny old man drew a long straight line in the sand, several times erasing it to make it perfect. Above this he drew a circle, nearly perfect, and from its center began to draw another line. Suddenly he stopped, looked up at the sea, and began scribbling wildly over his drawing. He stopped as suddenly as he had started, carefully smoothed over the sand, and began drawing serenely again.

The he looked up sharply, startled. What was that he saw on the horizon? He shaded his eyes from the sun and squinted. It was a ship! A ship! This he vaguely remembered. This, he thought hazily, was the thing that brought him here. His memories awakened; his hopes awakened. This was the thing that could carry him away from this place, carry him to a better place... if there were a better place.

He jumped up and shouted and ran around the island uttering animal-like shrieks. Waving his arms frantically in the air, he yelled loudly and inarticulately at the ship.

Climbing the coconut tree, he tore off his ragged shirt, his last remnant of clothing, and waved it wildly, trying futiley to attract the ship's attention. He clung to the top of the tree and watched the ship slowly cross the horizon. As the ship began to fade from sight, he dropped his shirt and looked at the ground, dejected.

Suddenly he slid down the tree and ran aimlessly around the island again. He ran into the still water, madly splashing after the disappearing ship. Then out of nowhere came a large wave hurling him violently back to the sand. He lay there choking and gasping for air for a moment; then quickly jumping up he looked off at the horizon for the ship. But it was gone . . .

With a puzzled look he turned around and walked back to his pictures. He looked out at the wide empty sea; he looked at the coconut tree and the desert island; and he looked down at himself.

The old man squatted on the beach and drew meaningless pictures in the sand.



(Cont'd from Page 1, Col. 2) on stage at the proper times; taking attendance before rehearsals and finding out the reason for any absences; and seeing that actors give the correct lines and are in the right stage position during the action.



-corners

Congratulations to those responsible for the success of the Senior Carnival. Mr. Bates finally made it: Steve Mellinger-for being recently elected to the "Truex Reading Club": -- Exposed: Jim Weir and Victor Vargo are actually glass blowers at heart - Or so it seems to some unprejudiced observers of Mr. Reber's 4th Hr. Chemistry I class; Taking advantage of the Senior Carnival's marriage booth, Mary Ann Kotzenmacker and Mike Griffe, Mary Ann Kotzenmacker and Bob .Johnson, Mary Ann Kotzenmacker and Pete Kirk. Do we note a slight repetition?

The more cultured(?) half of Drama Club enjoyed the football movies the other afternoon, did it not? . . .A shocking conversation between two of our distinguished faculty members was overheard by one of "Us" stationed in one of the corridors: (And we quote) Mr. Schultz (upon seeing the white shod feet of a fellow teacher): "May I sign your shoes?" Mr. Bates: "Anyone but you. Shutz;" Is there a fascination in watching people struggling up and down catalpa trees. Jill Paulk? . . . Pat Tompsetts, don't you trust people? . . . You don't have to go so far as to sit on the cold floor in the gym dressing room in order to protect your books! . . . If any one hears a call for "Peter Pan," don't think we believe in nursery rhymes-it's Joan DeShon we're after! . . . New words being used by senior: "Possilutely" . Pat Taylor and "Fantabulous" . . what did you do that day that the public phone was out of order — and he was waiting? . . . Mr. Reber: First, it was coffee — and now it's coffee cake? . . . Attention all girls: Anyone interested in meeting Dick Clemans, handsome senior boy, just sort of happen by locker 219 at 3:15-He'll be waiting to pick up all handkerchiefs and books!-On your markget set-go! . . . The name that was picked at random from all the Tower subscription blanks belongs, this week to Katherine Gooley! . . . So the remainder of the Four Corners is in her honor: Katherine is a Senior B and is a member of homeroom 107. Katherine, living at 1119 East Miner, is studying a business course, including office training, business communication, bookkeeping, and American government. She participates in the Girls' Athletic Association and Junior Achievement as extra-curricular activities. When asked her favorite meal, Katherine says, "Hamburgers and French fries." Her favorite current songs are "Sleep-Walk" and "The Sea of Love." Among her hobbies are sportsswimming, archery, and volleyball. We asked her to what she was most looking forward to this school year, and she replied: "The Adams and the Central Senior Proms."

ADAM'S ANSWERS

Dear Uncle Adam:

John thinks he's the only one in my life, and Chuck, Paul, and Dennis think they're the only ones.too. Somehow, each has the misunderstanding that I am going out with him on the very night I've got a date with the halfback from Notre Dame. Now I seem to be going to the same place, on the same night, at the same time, with each of the five! What should I do?

Miss - Understood Dear Miss - Understood:

Be certain that your face and neck are cleanly scrubbed, your hair is soft and shining, your nails are trimmed, shoes are polished, and you have plenty of interesting things in mind to talk about. Also, be on time! -No matter how sophisticated some girls think it may be, boys do not like to be kept waiting! Follow this advice, and you're sure to be a nice date. And, above all, stop worryingit's natural for girls to be nervous before a BIG date-Hope the six of you have fun! Good luck!

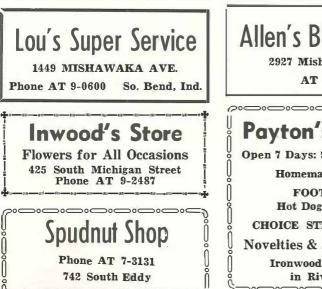
Dear Uncle Adam:

I was a year old when my life of crime began. At that time, I stole a clothespin from the lady next door. From then on, the things I stole became bigger and bigger. I stole everything from clothespins to tractors. Yes, I even stole a tractor. I had no use for one, 'cause I didn't live on a farm, but at the age of seven I stole a tractor.

By this time, my parents were beginning to worry about me. Not because I stole things - because our back yard was getting awfully full of the things I took. Besides, they were having a hard time explaining to the neighbors that we weren't starting a junk yard.

Finally, at the age of ten, my parents decided to send me away to cure my stealing. They made this decision because the schools wouldn't have me anymore, and when I was around home, too many things disappeared—Just little things like the refrigerator and Daddy's paycheck. I really don't see why Daddy cared, though; after all — he gets one just like it every Friday, and they're all the same.

Anyway, I was gone for two years. and on my release, I was pronounced cured. I have been back for a year now, and already I have taken two tractors, ten pairs of scissors, one bird cage, two incinerators, eight flies



Navy to Sponsor NROTC Examination

Applications are now available for the Navy's fourteenth annual examination for its nation-wide Regular NROTC college training program, according to a recent announcement by the Navy Department. The mental examination is scheduled for December 12, 1959, and is open to all high school seniors and graduates who can qualify.

The deadline date for receipt of applications is November 14, 1959, the Navy stated.

lege Aptitude Test. Those attaining a qualifying score will be given the

ATTENTION, ALL GIRLS

Calling all girls! The Junior Board of the Tuberculosis League needs girls to sell Health Cross pins at the Notre Dame game on October 24. The purpose of the sale of these pins is to help raise funds for milk for needy children.

For the girl who collects the most money, selling these pins, a first prize of \$5.00 will be awarded. The second prize will be \$3.00, and the third prize will be \$2.50. Ten girls may form a team, and \$2.00 will be given to each member of the winning team.

The sale will take place outside the Notre Dame stadium before the game. Supplies will be given out in the "red" parking lot, opposite gate 10. For further information, see Kay Kenady, homeroom 216.



twenty trees, the cat next door, etc. I can't seem to stop myself. Where did I go wrong? Where did I make my big mistake?

Steal - Struck Dear Steal - Struck:

You made your big mistake when you took your neighbors' cat . . . Don't you know that cats meow and keep you awake at night?

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Boys between the ages of 17 and 21 are eligible to apply for the Navy Col-Navy's rigid midshipman physical examination next February.

> From the pool of qualified candidates remaining in competition, approximately 1,800 young men will be selected for appointment as midshipmen and will enroll in one of the 52 colleges of their choice where a Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Unit is located.

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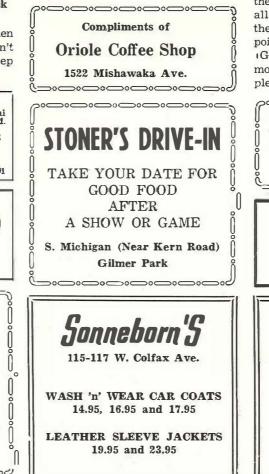
The Regular NROTC is maintained for one purpose: to train and educate young men for ultimate commissioning as career officers in the Navy and Marine Corps.

Successful candidates will start their naval careers in colleges and universities across the country. After a normal college education and substantial Navy training, graduates will be commissioned as regular officers in the Navy or Marine Corps for active duty with the United States fleets throughout the world.

For those who apply and qualify, assignment to flight training will open new careers in naval aviation.

In addition to the normal college curriculum midshipmen will study a planned course in naval science. All tuition, fees, and books will be furnished by the Navy, plus an annual retainer pay of \$600 for four years. Regular NROTC midshipmen will spend part of three summers on training cruises with various Fleet units.

Applications and more specific information are available in the Guidance office.



GIRLS' CONCEPT OF FOOTBALL

Last week after Nervous State played a football game, I overheard some girls discussing the sport-Oh, I do hope this isn't making us members of the fairer half of the species seem too naive.

-"Don't they know how big the field is? Must they measure it every few minutes

"My, the clock is slow! The last half took at LEAST fifty minutes."

-"What do you suppose they talk about when the team is in a huddle?"

-"The only way I can describe football would be to say it is just like soccor played in the air."

-"When the ball is thrown, the following reaction reminds you of the time somebody tripped at the top of the UP escalator."

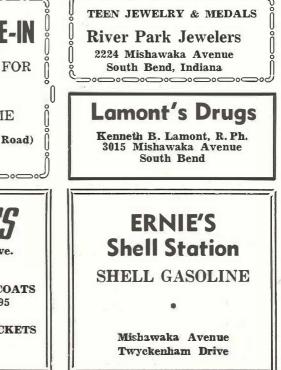
-"Why do the players insist on tripping each other, the second the ball is put into play?-Don't they know somebody might get hurt?"

-"Isn't it nice, how those referees drop those cute little red hankies, every once in a while, when they want to stop the game? Do they have different colored ones to match the outfits they wear for different games, I wonder?"

-"Where do they hide the football team? - I have NEVER seen such muscular boys around school-I just LOVE those SHOULDERS!"

-"Why is it, when thousands of people are watching, time is called, the water boy comes running out and gives out water. Then, for gosh sakes, why do the boys SPIT OUT the water, if they're so thirsty?"

-"'I just can't understand, for the life of me, why boys are SO CARE-LESS! By the time I get to the game. they've practically RUINED the nice round ball the men in the stripes give them to play with. They've got it all squashed, and out of shape, and the ends of the ball even come to points! All I can say is that WE GIRLS certainly would be much more more considerate of other people's property!"



Eagles After Bear Meat Saturday **ADAMS TO BATTLE** Adams Gridders Outlast North Siders TOUTED BEAR TEAM

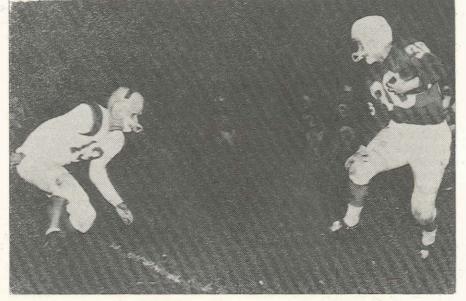
John Adams High School and the School Field clock combined beautifully last Friday night to put down a small but quick Fort Wayne North team, 26-20.

Adams struck first in the game when John Bella scored on a sweep around right end from the four. Lonnie Glassburn converted, and Adams led 7-0. Late in the first quarter North marched 80 yards in 11 plays for their initial score. They converted to make the score 7-7 after the first period.

Adams took the second half kick off and marched 80 yards in 13 plays for a score. John Weiss countered on a one-yard plunge. Glassburn converted, and the score stood 14-7. Early in the last quarter Dave Stout scored, only eight plays after he recovered a fumble on North's 33. This made it 26-7 Adams.

With 2:00 left, North fullback Jack Smith caught a pass of quarterback Brad Bendure in the right flat and scampered 93 yards for

a score. The conversion was good, and the score was 26-24. North got the ball once more. With less than a minute to go, they worked the same play again. This time it was good for 40 yards and a touchdown. The conversion was blocked, and the game ended with Adams winning 26-20.



EAGLE DEFENSIVE BACK Dave Sink prepares to tackle a North Side runner. --Courtesy of South Bend Tribune

Netters Drop Match

On September 24, the Adams netmen absorbed their third straight loss, as they were blanked by Elkhart 5-0, in a match played at Adams.

Although the netters have lost their three matches, they have been beaten by the teams rated 1-2-3 in the conference.

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Frosh Beat Elkhart, Beagles Divide Pair

The freshman footballers gained their first win of the campaign September 24, with a 14-0 verdict over Elkhart West Side at Elkhart. Mike Teeter scored the first touchdown and both conversions, while Mark Golden countered the second six-pointer.

On September 21 the Beagles dropped their third straight decision by a 6-0 count to Goshen on the Adams practice field.

The Beagles then gained their first success of the year on September 28 when they bounced Mishawaka by the score of 19-7 at Tupper Field. Roland Jerue scored on runs of 30 yards and one foot, and Wise Nicks sprinted 40 yards for the other Eagle touchdown.

Tomorrow evening the Eagle gridders will play host to the highly rated Central Bears. Going into the clash Adams boasts a record of two wins and one loss, while Central has won three straight encounters.

The Bears are led by a speedy backfield, which includes Tom Connelly, John West, Bob Otolski, and Joe Wesley, all veterans from last season's undefeated squad.

Leading the Eagle charge will be junior fullback Dave Stout, who has scored three touchdowns this season to lead the team in that department. The Eagles also boast a solid middle of the line with the likes of Steve Mellinger, Doug Hostrawser, and Mark Camblin.

Cross-Country Team Splits Two Outings

The Adams cross country^{*} team rolled up its second victory of the young season by whipping Bremen 25-35 at Adams on September 22.

Michigan City, Washington, and Central visited the Eagle cross country squad on September 24 and left after acquiring victories over our runners. The Red Devils won 15-46, the Panthers squeaked by 24-31, and the Bears won narrowly 23-32. Barry High, Forrest Hurlbut, Marv Cogdell, Mike Swartz, and Dick Smith placed for Adams.



FROM AL by Al From

When the roar of "We Want Bear Meat" is heard coming from the Adams cheering section and the Eagles take the field against Central's Bears, South Bend's greatest rivalry will be revived for another season. If the 1959 contest follows the pattern of the last few years, it should be a really tremendous game. The last two games of the series have, perhaps, been the best. In 1957 an underdog Eagle eleven upset an unbeaten Central squad in a blinding snowstorm, as Gene Phillips had one of his greatest nights. Last season another underdog Adams team held an 18-7 lead with five minutes left, but the Bears stormed back to win 20-18 and continued on to an undefeated season.

There are some interesting statistics on the 1959 Eagles, excluding the North Side game. Dave Stout leads the team in rushing with 155 yards in 14 carries for an average of over 11 yards per carry. He is followed by ,John Weiss with 119 yards and a 5.2 average and John Bella with 82 yards and a 4.1 average. Mickey Stricklen is the leading passer with four completions in six attempts for 40 yards. Dave Sink Po

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has averaged 29 yards per return on three punt returns to lead the Eagles in that department. As a team the Eagles have rushed 77 times for 402 or an average of over five yards per

