

John Adams Tower

LOOKIN' AHEAD

FEBRUARY

- 6—Basketball, Adams vs. St. Joe (H)
- Sectional Wrestling Tourney—Edison School.
- 8—Swimming, Adams vs. Hammond, 8:15 p.m. (H)
- 11—Sr. Class Card & Announcement Orders 7-9 a.m., Cafe.
- 12—Basketball, Adams vs. Elkhart (H)

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JOHN ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL — SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

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French scholars, John Miller, Judy Bennett, and Irene Ingalls strive to improve their pronunciation with the aid of the facilities in the John Adams language laboratory.

Courtesy of Album Staff by Carl Kowals

Lab Aids Foreign Language Students

The John Adams language lab was purchased by both the South Bend School City and federal funds. Federal funds were provided for by the National Defense Education Act of 1958—Title III.

The lab consists of 18 listening booths. In these booths a student can listen to foreign language speech groups, repeat what he hears, and records both. He may then listen to what he recorded and compare his repetition with the original.

A control panel can send out Spanish, French, German, or Latin programs by tape, magnetic disc, or phonograph records.

Each of the 22 language classes has one period a week set aside for its use of the lab as a group. Individuals may go in whenever the lab is not being used by a class.

Students can progress at their own rate, increase foreign language comprehension, and find many small personal speech errors through the lab. The lab helps to build confidence, interest, and experience. The language lab is a teaching aid which helps the student better understand what was done in class.

Hi-Y to Present Swingheart Sway

Swingheart Sway, the 22nd annual all-city Hi-Y dance will be presented on February 13. "The Nomdas," a Notre Dame band, will provide the music. It will be held at the Progress Club from 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. Tickets are \$2.00 per couple for the semi-formal affair. It is a school sponsored dance so no flowers may be worn. Kent Hedman is the general chairman from Adams. Carl Phillipoff is the chairman of tickets.

Cabinet Members Begin To Plan Spring Dance

Evidences of class activities are beginning to take shape for anxious members of the junior class. Soon they will purchase class rings, run for class offices, and hold their first formal class party.

Cabinet members chosen by their home rooms last fall are beginning the work of drawing up plans for that festive affair. Committees have been appointed to be in charge of various phases of the dance. These committees and their chairmen include the following: decorations, Colleen Riley and Bill Butler; tickets, Suzanne Smith and Ron Moyer; refreshments, Dan Jones and Caroline Jones; tables, Dave Hoyt and Paul Riedel; publicity, Pam Miller and Carolyn Carpenter.

The theme of the dance will be "April in Paris," quite apropos to its April 22 date. Music will be provided by Tony Rulli and his orchestra. For those nervous few who don't have a date as of yet, remember the dance is only 2½ months away!

NHS Fetes 39 Students At Honor Banquet

The National Honor Society acknowledged those students who received straight A's for their semester average at its semi-annual Honor Breakfast on February 3, at 8:00 a.m. in the cafeteria.

Sandy Janovsky gave the invocation. Mrs. Charles Wills, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in South Bend addressed the guests. Other honored guests and speakers were the following: Mr. Russell Roth-ermel and Mr. Thomas Keiser, faculty advisor of the National Honor Society.

Vicki Ostrander and Cathy Fischgrund were general co-chairmen assisted by Irene Ingalls, Carol Ann Schiller.

Schiller, Marijane Ritter, Sue Valentine, and Marleta Simpson.

JA COMPANY SELLS JEWELRY

Jewelette, a Junior Achievement company, sells Magic-Melt (an ice melting compound) and jewelry. Jewelette is composed of fifteen achievers who put together, box, and sell the merchandise. There are advisors, a president, vice-president, production and sales managers, secretary, and a treasurer. The company sold stock, bought a charger, and purchased raw materials. Jewelette is sponsored by the Northern Indiana Public Service Company.

Class of '60 Begins Adams Hours Project

At 9:00 a.m. on January 30, under the leadership of Dan McCoy, senior class vice-president, 20 members of the Class of '60 gathered at the U. S. Naval & Marine Corps Training Center. Their objective was to launch the first project of the year to earn Adams hours. Adams hours is the donation of time by Adams seniors to a worthy cause or charity.

The group divided up into teams of two, with their New March of Dimes canisters, departed for various shopping centers throughout South Bend. Their job was to approach shoppers for contributions and to sell lapel crutches. The group worked until 1:30 p.m. when they returned to the reserve center.

The 20 seniors who contributed their time and efforts for a total of 90 hours are the following: Sandra Daddio, Kathy Dunbar, Sue Gobdel, Bob Golomb, Bill Grey, Pat Grimm, Kent Hedman, John Hemphill, Irene Ingalls, Sandy Janovsky, Dan McCoy, Tom Meilstrup, Dave Mickelsen, Terry Miller, Vicki Ostrander, Frank Piechowiak, Sam Purdy, Barry Rummel, Dave Soslowsky, and Sandy Weaver.

RFE Sponsors Contest

Radio Free Europe has announced its 1960 Truth Message Contest. Winning messages will be broadcast behind the Iron Curtain to 76 million people in captive nations.

In 25 additional words or less, the applicant should complete the following sentence: "I believe the most important thing people behind the Iron Curtain should know is . . ." Messages should include the applicant's name, street address, town and state. They should be mailed to Crusade for Freedom, Box 10-S, Mt. Vernon 10, New York, no later than April 30.

Each entry submitted by an applicant must be mailed separately.

There are 256 prizes in all; the top prizes are six all-expenses-paid trips to Europe for two.

Boosters Sell Berets

A second gross of red berets has ordered and received by the Booster Club. These were ordered to meet the ever-increasing demand by Adams fans for the berets.

The chapeaus will be sold at the auditorium door for \$1 each by members of the Booster Club before and after school.

PERSEVERANCE

"In order to see the rainbow, one must weather the storm."

Sometime in our lives, all of us have displayed perseverance. Starting when we constantly teased our mommies for "just one more cookie," we have persisted in trying to achieve something we greatly desire.

Now most of us are very persistent in teasing constantly for a drivers license, a convertible, or something else we wish for ourselves, but are we persistent in working toward an important goal that is hard to achieve? For instance, good grades. In September we all had the best intentions of raising our marks, but by the time report cards were issued, it appeared that most of us weren't very persistent in our ambition.

The things in life that improve our characters or help make the world a better place in which to live are the things that are the hardest to achieve. For that reason, we must work even harder and never lose sight of our goal, whatever it may be.

Probably most of us don't achieve our ambitions because we simply forget them as the days pass by. With such a simple reason as this, we should apply a practical solution to solve the problem. Try writing your ambition on a piece of paper and tacking it on your bulletin board or some other conspicuous place where you'll see it every day. Probably you'll fail in your ambition two out of three times, but the third time is the most important—the time when you succeed. If you concentrate on the time you succeed and take pride in that time, you'll find yourself succeeding more and more.

Davy Crockett once said (And you all know who Davy Crockett is!) "Be sure you're right, then go ahead." I wish to amend that statement to "Be sure you're right, then go ahead—again and again and again."

--L. E.

Why Publicize Vandalism?

The wave of vandalism which has recently spread through South Bend is of great concern to all of us. Our first impressions may be that only deep, intense animosity could promote such acts, and that even the vandals gain nothing from these vicious displays of useless destruction; for we find it hard to believe that any person could be so ruthless as to demolish property simply for thrills.

However, when the situation is more closely examined, it is obvious that these law breakers are gaining something which they and all men must have. They are gaining recognition. Newspapers, radio, and television give him the publicity and attention which they seek.

There is no easy way to suppress these delinquent acts; however, a positive approach to the "publicity problem" might help. If it were as easy for a youth to gain recognition for his honorable acts as it is his dishonorable ones, he might spend his leisure time doing admirable deeds.

INEXPERIENCE

By June Breining

Oh, I will go with carefree laugh—
A lilting song,
And you will smile a sad, wise smile,
Knowing I'm wrong.

Then I'll come back with drooping
head,
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You, Too, Can Prevent Locker Decay!—A Public (?) Interest (?) Bulletin

Have you ever stopped to look at a locker? Really notice it, I mean. Recently I became fascinated with this newly developed science, and after much careful study, I am ready to reveal my findings.

The first and most beautiful locker is that of a freshman. This locker is a joy to behold. Books are neatly piled on the shelf with the largest on the bottom and the smallest on the top. Gym clothes are neatly folded in plastic bags. Nothing but the basic essentials of learning can be found in this compact little model of efficiency.

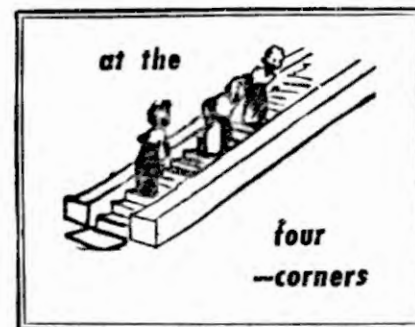
The sophomore locker follows the same basic pattern as the freshman's, only the pile of books no longer has a pyramid shape, the gym clothes are no longer in the plastic bags, and bits of paper can be found in the darkest corners of the floor. This condition grows continually worse during the junior year when books are piled in any old fashion, gym clothes are shoved into a wrinkled pile, and the floor of the locker is covered with a carpet of test papers, old Towers, and Kleenex.

Finally, we reach the locker of one of our illustrious seniors. On the inside of the door hangs a fairly large mirror. This mirror is hung in such a fashion so that everytime the locker is closed, the mirror drops to the floor. Since it is a very substantial mirror, it doesn't break; it just adds another branch to the tree of cracks now growing in the center of said object. This really isn't as bad as it sounds. The only difficulty in this is that one gets the impression he has three eyes whenever he looks into the mirror, but in a month or so the mirror will finally break and the owner's troubles will be over—starting again seven years later! The books, by the way are piled precisely so that they fall out onto the floor or the owner's head exactly three and 3/7 seconds after the locker is opened. On the floor are the remains of every test and notebook taken so far this year.

Another outstanding conclusion I have drawn from this study is that it is possible to tell the location of a locker just by the contents. For instance, the locker right inside the door is much more convenient for the owner's friends than their own, so in it can be found seven coats, four scarves, fourteen boots, and thirteen mittens almost any winter's day. The locker at the bottom of the stairs to the girls' dressing room usually will contain nine pairs of shorts, seven blouses, three sweatshirts, four shoes and five socks! But most amazing of all lockers is that located at the Four Corners. In it are at least two of every textbook issue, four notebooks, a pencil case, three mittens, and an old apple core, besides the accumulation accredited to all the above lockers.

If you ever find yourself wandering around the halls without a thing to occupy your mind, or a terrific problem to ponder, try to figure out the maximum number of articles, rang-

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Well, here goes another semester! For the freshman, it means that 1/8 of his high school days are over, and that he can apply the lessons learned in his first semester to the 3 1/2 years that await him in high school. To the sophomore, perhaps it means "almost to the half way mark" and he, too, is preparing to cultivate his acquired "savoir faire" this semester, so that next year he can assume his earned role as an upperclassman. To the junior, this semester shall be all-important. In his hands rests the leadership of the Adams student body of tomorrow; in spite of the good-natured teasing, in the junior rests the hope of the senior, to carry on good policies begun and continued by senior leaders this year. To the senior, this semester is happy, sad, wonderful, and awesome, all rolled up in one. This is the last, the final stretch of four wonderful years.

Now on to a lighter subject: Overheard in Mr. Laiber's class: What's the best way to drive in fog?"—John Nelson—"On the road." Mr. Laiber—"What do you do when the brakes fail?" J. N.—"Stop the car and get out!" Various Adamsites were asked the question: "Who is the most ralupop person you know and why?" NOT KNOWING that ralupop is "popular" spelled backwards. Here are some of the zanier replies: Pete Firststein—"He's such a lady-killer!" Kathy Miller, because she has so many clothes I can borrow!" Mr. Kosana—He invented the Kosana Bug!" Jim Fischer, because he taught me how to hunt rats!" Marilyn Alberts, because she has that Pepsodent Smile!" Jerry Hobbs—because he's a child prodigy!" . . . Some of the following are remarks overheard at the honor breakfast: (Do they merit straight A's?) "Please pass the gunk—I mean the GOOK!" "Is the 'S' in 'scrambled eggs' capitalized?" "Hey, can we have a candle for Ann's roll?" "Why, is it cold?" "No, it's her birthday!" "Oh, I've laughed my food all the way down!" More statements heard and made by Adams seniors working on Adams Hours: "I'm sorry, I don't have any pennies." "Dan, would you like a nut-crunchy?" "Hey, man, that's no fair—you have foam on your 7-Up." . . . Gus, egg-salad sandwiches are no substitute for cookies!" . . . All interested aspirants CONTACT Mr. Wizard. Inflation has raised his 11¢ a day classes to 11 1/4¢ . . . It has been reported that one prominent A. H. S. faculty member readily admits that her grandfather was an elephant . . . BEWARE, ADAMS STUDENTS: The Tower Staff announces its declaration of WAR against Mr. Wizard's son. Sincere congratulations to Mrs. William Henry Meyer, Jr.—our former Miss Farnier—on her recent marriage! All the happiness in the world! . . .

Girds and Gubble Bum

That miraculous substance called Gubble Bum entered my life when I was five. While Trick or Treating I obtained this substance in the form of a pink square wrapped in paper. At first I was at a loss as to what the little square was used for. But it didn't take my curious little mind long to find out!

I cautiously unwrapped the square and then put it in my mouth. Slowly I began to chew. I couldn't seem to get the idea that I was just supposed to chew the Gubble Bum. I kept eating it instead. This addiction made my parents very worried, because there never was enough Gubble Bum to fill me up.

After many, many boxes of Gubble Bum I finally caught on to the idea of CHEWING. No wonder I couldn't do it before. I'd been chewing my tongue instead of the gum! (I mean Bum!)

Finally, I mastered the art of Gubble Bum Chewing. Then I felt that I was really a man (I mean woman) of the world! HOWEVER, I suddenly notice that OTHER PEOPLE could blow Gubbles, too! This gave my curious and infuriated little mind a new obstacle to overcome; onward and upward to greater heights I soared as I learned to blow Gubbles (I mean Grow Blubbles. No, I mean Glow Brubbles . . . well . . .)

Even blowing those big Gubbles soon bored me, and I started to discover some other wonderful uses for that miraculous substance! Mother stopped my scientific projections when she interrupted my take-off from the garage roof equipped with my Gubble Bum Balloon Ship. But I wasn't fooled! I discovered that my Gubble Bum is handy for stopping people from ringing the front doorbell, and it's really great to stretch for a rope. An' the very best discovery of all was the one that helped mommie. I took the Bum and used it like a nail. You know, to put pictures on the wall, and other constructive uses like that. Really, truly, Gubble Bum has lots and lots and lots and lots of uses!

Prevent Locker Decay

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ing in size from a slide-rule to a heavy parka coat, that may be possibly contained in 6 cubic feet, and the relative position each must assume. (Keeping ever in mind the fact that your answer must be divided by 2, 3, or even 4 locker-sharers), and if successful, you shall find yourself forever in debt and gratitude of all mathteachers, locker designers, and need-I-mention-the-last-and-largest category . . . ?

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WHAT IS A SCHOOL LUNCH?

Let Me Tell You What It Is:
In the Primary Grades it is a threat:
"You can't go out to play until you eat!"
In the Elementary Grades it is a contest:
"My plate's clean first; can I have my seconds now?"
In High School it is a tool for asserting new-found sophistication:
"I simply cannot consume these many morsels!"
In the Faculty Corner of the lunchroom it is a wail:
"I can't eat this; I'll get fat! (—I mean fatter!)"
In the Kitchen of said lunchroom it is a worry:
"Oh, will THEY like it today?"
But, as good springs out of every evil, to the Manager IT RISES AS A C-H-A-L-L-E-N-G-E!
"How can I make it on this budget?!"
—Dave Zeiger

WHAT IF

Steve Leader were Steve Follower?
Sharon Heyde were Sharon GoSeek?
Kenny Able were Kenny Unable?
Mary Horn were Mary Tuba?
Don Wise were Don Dumb?
Jim Fischer were Jim Hunter?
Sandra Marrs were Sandra Saturn?
Doug May were Doug Can't?
Mary Tubbs were Mary JuiceGlasses?
Steve Sheets were Steve Blankets?
Mary Rose were Mary Dandelion?
Tom Newcomer were Tom Oldgoer?
Julie Shephard were Julie Flock?
Barry High were Barry Low?
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Ann Price were Ann Retail Cost?
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Helen Hill were Helen Valley?
Agatha Knight were Agatha Day?
Gary Church were Gary Steeple?
Bonny Jacks were Bonnie Queens?
Jack Champagne were Jack Root-beer?
Jim Champagne were Jack Lemon-aide?
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Mary Wisemen were Mary Dumb-women?
Bill Butler were Bill Maid?

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Cagers Squeak Past Cats In 62-60 Game

Larry Moore picked off a stray Riley pass and drove half the length of the court to score the ensuing layup and give the John Adams Eagles a 62-60 win over the host Wildcats last Friday night in a game marred by the excessive whistle tooting of officials Ernie Sohl and Carter Caton.

The game was tied 16-16 at the end of the first period and 31-31 at the halftime intermission.

Near the end of the third stanza field goals by Sam Dairyko, Moore, and Buddy McKnight shot the Eagles into a 45-40 advantage. However, the 'Cats battled right back and baskets by Rod Sipe and Bill Nelson cut the lead to one point at the third stop.

Granart's two pointer at the outset of the final eight minutes gave the host team a 46-45 edge before Adams paced by Dairyko and McKnight raced to its biggest bugle of the game at 59-52 with a little over three minutes to play.

With a minute and a half remaining to be played, Joe Northern sank a ten-foot jumper to place the 'Cats in front 60-59. The Wildcats then went into the deep freeze, setting the stage for Moore's heroics.

The home team had but one more chance but big Ed Butler took care of this with a brilliant steal with only five seconds remaining on the scoreboard clock. Butler, who was fouled on the play, sank a charity toss after the final gun to make the final score 62-60.

McKnight led all scorers with 24 points and Moore added 14 more for the Eagles. Bob Davidson and Nelson led Riley with 14 apiece.

FROSH FALL TWICE

The Adams frosh basketball team was beaten in a home game against St. Joseph on January 26. The score was 41-38.

On January 28 they were beaten by Central 52-36. The game was played at Central.

Some of the boys seeing action for the frosh are Steve Shock, Ron Roberts, Mike O'Neal, Mike Teeter, Bob Neal, Gary Downey and Gary Dominy.

Matmen Place Third In Conference Meet

The Eagle matmen gave a fine account of themselves as they finished third in the NIHSC meet held in East Chicago last Saturday. Central won its thirteenth straight title and Elkhart placed second.

Adams had two individual champions, more than any other school except Elkhart. Co-captain Marv Cogdell remained undefeated by decisioning Arden Floran of Riley 5-2 for the 122-pound crown. Co-captain Tom Maggart beat Ron Vargo of Washington 4-2 for the 129-pound title.

Don Smothers finished second in the 97-pound class as he was decisioned 9-2 by Bob Scott of Elkhart.

Other high Adams finishers were Steve Mellinger, third in the heavy-weight class, and Dick Joossens, fourth at 114 pounds.

On January 27, the Eagles finished their dual meet competition with an 8-3-1 record by defeating Riley 25-21.

Adams winners were Smothers, Cogdell, Maggart, Eric Nelson, John Bella, Doug Hostrawser, and Mellinger.

Seagles Beat Riley; Busse Sets Record

The Adams Seagles scored their second victory over Riley in eight years January 25. The final score was 55-31. The Seagles now have a record of 8-1-1. Jim Busse set a new meet record for the 100-yard breast-stroke.

Adams results:

40-yd. freestyle—1. Klaer, 3. Condon.

100-yd. butterfly—1. Davis, 2. Callum.

200-yd. freestyle—1. Brandley, 2. Toepp.

100-yd. backstroke—2. Hartke.

100-yd. breaststroke—1. Busse, 2. Hammes.

100-yd. freestyle—2. Brandley.

Diving—1. Welch, 2. Hoyt.

Individual Medley—3. Callum.

Adams won both relays.



Officials Ernie Sohl and Carter Caton, who worked the Riley game, more than lived up to the old adage "whistle while you work" as they tooted 48 fouls. . . . An interesting sidelight about tomorrow night's game with St. Joe will be a scoring duel between St. Joe's Dave White and Buddy McKnight, currently running one, two in the area scoring race.

— A —

An unsung hero of the great success that the 1959-60 Eagles are having is Dick Clemmons. The senior guard is not the flashy type of player that makes the headlines, but is a steady, top-flight performer on the court. Clemmons is the "take-charge-guy" of the Eagle offense, setting up the plays with his fine passing. In fact Clemmons has been averaging about four or five assists per game which is outstanding for a high school player. In addition, as of late, Clemmons has provided a steady scoring punch for the Eagle attack.

— A —

Sam Dairyko is FROM AL's selection of Eagle of the week. The junior forward came off the bench in the second-half to spark the second-half drive which netted the victory against Riley. Dairyko pumped in nine points, hit four of five attempts from the field, and played well defensively.

ENIHSC STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.	GB
ADAMS	5	1	.833	
Michigan City	5	1	.833	
Mishawaka	4	2	.667	1
Central	3	2	.600	1½
Washington	3	2	.600	1½
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Swimmers, Wrestlers To Compete Tomorrow

Coach Warren Seaborg's basketball squad will have a tough assignment tomorrow night as they tangle with the St. Joseph Indians of Dick Hendricks on the Adams court. The Eagles are 13-3 on the season, while the Indians are 12-4.

Bob Rensberger's Beagles will also be in action tomorrow night against St. Joe. The B-game will immediately precede the varsity game.

The frosh of Don Truex travel to Elkhart North Side for a game Thursday.

Bob Scannell's swimmers have a busy weekend in store for them. Last night they traveled to Gary Mann for a dual meet, tomorrow they compete in the city meet, and Monday they host Hammond High.

The matmen of Mo Aronson will host the Sectional Wrestling Meet to be held at Edison tomorrow. First and second place winners will advance down state.

Bees Drop Contest In Double Overtime

The Beagles lost a heartbreaker in a sudden-death overtime to the Riley Wildcats 30-28 last Friday night. Frank Mock led the Bees with eight points.

Regulation time ended with the scoreboard showing a 26-26 tie. In the first overtime each team scored a basket, making it 28-28.

According to the rules the second overtime is regarded as sudden-death—the team that gains a two-point lead first wins the game. Adams won the jump, but missed the shot. Riley then got the rebound and Jim Singleton scored the winning basket.



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