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STUDENTS REQUIRED TO ATTEND LANGUAGE CLASSES DURING SUMMER

One of the facets which the new language-oriented program will include is compulsory summer school. Every student will be required to attend so that he can get a better foundation in his chosen language. Courses will be offered in each of the languages which will be taught next fall.

Classes will run from June 12 to August 18, with the holidays being made up on Sundays since classes will normally be held on Saturdays. The tardy bell will ring at 7:30 each morning, and all tardinesses will be made up on Sundays.

Morning classes will last until 12 noon, and the students will get a half-hour break for lunch. If a student does not live within walking distance of school, he will probably have to bring a sack lunch, since the ladies in the cafeteria will be on their summer vacations. After lunch, classes will run until dismissal time at 5:00.

All seniors will be required to attend also, since graduation will be postponed until August 30. The reason is because the administration feels that the additional knowledge will help the students even more in their careers and college.

The week of June 12 to June 16 will be an orientation week. During this time each student will be able to select the language in which he chooses to major. Each different course of study will be explained in full, with the type of courses each will include. At the end of the week, when the choices are made, the decision will be irrevocable. Then the next week, the classes will begin.

A typical day will include—a class in foreign culture, a class in elementary grammar, and a class in public speaking (in the language of study, of course). Despite the fact that the classes will last so long, each class will have homework—about the same amount that we have now.

TOWER TO BE PRINTED IN SIX DIFFERENT LANGUAGES

The TOWER, in keeping with the academic changeover, will make some changes of its own next year.

The newspaper will continue to be published weekly but it will have six pages instead of four. The news will be printed in six languages: French, German, Spanish, Chinese, Hebrew, and Russian. One page will be allotted to each language.

The new system will make necessary several changes in the Tower organization. There will be six page editors, each specializing in one language.

Some of the news will appear on each of the pages. Other articles will be of interest to students studying one of the languages and will appear only on the page in that language.

Because some of the news must be translated into all six languages, there will be a great need for students with proficiency in

two or more languages to work next year on the TOWER. Students who wish to be considered for these jobs should contact a member of the present TOWER staff.

Planutis Named Head Coach At U. of Illinois

Word reached the TOWER office late yesterday afternoon that Mr. Jerry Planutis has been named head football coach at the University of Illinois. His duties will begin immediately in the area of recruiting players for future Illini teams.

Coach Planutis replaces Pete Elliot, one of three Illinois coaches involved in a recent slush fund scandal. Elliot resigned his post on March 19 and Dr. David D. Henry, President of the University, offered Planutis the job the following day.

After coaching his 1966 team to an undefeated season, coaching offers have come from all over the country to Coach Planutis. Until accepting the Illinois position he had turned down over a dozen such offers.

When asked why he accepted the Illinois post and not any of the others, Planutis said, "Although I regret leaving South Bend, and particularly Adams, I see a tremendous challenge at Illinois."

Planutis' successor here at Adams has not, of course, been named, but undoubtedly one of the present assistant coaches will take over next season if Adams has a football team. Perhaps under the new system, inter-school competition in sports will be impossible.

Oklahoma Production Staff Begins Work

The production staff for the musical "Oklahoma!" to be presented May 4, 5, and 6 by members of the music organizations, has been announced. Committees are now being formed, and plans are being made by the chairmen. Work will be getting under way late this week or immediately following vacation. Members of the production staff include:

Student Director Sally Weiler
Stage Manager Warren Taylor
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Walsh Resigns As Tower Sponsor; Laiber Named As Replacement

Next year the John Adams TOWER will have a new sponsor. Miss Mary Walsh, the present sponsor, will hand in her resignation at the end of this year. She claims that running a paper which is printed in six languages is too big a job for one person to do, especially along with teaching business classes. Besides, Miss Walsh cannot speak any foreign languages—this would present a problem.

Miss Walsh feels that the responsibility of being TOWER sponsor is a very important one, and that only a very responsible person can handle it. With this in mind, Mr. Joseph Laiber has been named as her successor.

Mr. Laiber's task will not be an easy one, but he, with his know-how and determination, should be able to do his job well. He will continue to teach his health classes next year. Mr. Laiber will attend college this summer and take crash study programs in the six

Lunch Hour To Be Closed & Divided By Class & Language

Along with the entirely new academic system being instituted at Adams next year, there will be a new lunch room system. The lunch periods will be closed and divided into four groups by class.

The freshmen will have 20 minutes, sophomores 30 minutes, juniors 45 minutes, and seniors will have one hour for lunch.

Beside being divided by class, the lunch room will also be divided into six sections by language. This plan is to encourage students to become accustomed to speaking their foreign language in everyday activities.

Adams Chosen As Experimental Center in National Program

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John Adams has been selected as one of 43 urban high schools which will be converted to a language oriented curriculum.

Beginning next fall, students will be divided into six groups on the basis of language study. The six languages students may choose are: French, Chinese, Spanish, German, Russian, and Hebrew.

Students will take all their courses in their chosen language and will be separated from students in other language groups. This means that students in the French group, for example, will also taken math, science, and social studies courses in French.

The plan will bring many new teachers to Adams since few teachers in the math, science, social studies, or business fields are proficient in all six of the languages. There are also few Chinese teachers, for example, who are qualified to teach math, science art, and history.

The new system will have many effects beside the increasing of language skills. The program will tend to divide the school into six small units separate from one another and joined only by the fact that they share the same building. This is a step away from the trend toward large, impersonal high schools.

New homeroom assignments for next year will be made for all present Adams students. Homeroom groupings will be by language and grade rather than by alphabetical order of last names as they are now.

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71 STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Twenty-two seniors and 49 juniors were inducted into the Adams chapter of the National Honor Society at their annual ceremony held March 23.

These students, representing five percent of the senior class and ten percent of the junior class, were selected by a vote of the entire faculty from the top one-third of each class.

This year the votes were tabulated by computer. The faculty selection was on the basis of leadership, service, and character shown by the students.

Names of students selected were not revealed until the induction ceremony. Parents of the new members were requested not to inform the students of their selection.

The new inductees and their parents were honored with a tea in the library after the induction.

Seniors selected are: Linda Baird, Paul Berebitsky, Jan Carpenter, Charlene Chong, Doreen Donnelly, Jim Ehlers, Sue Gentner, Carolyn Hacker, Julie Hendrickson, Holger Henn, Nancy Katz, Patricia Keith, Kathleen Kelly,

Ross Klahr, William Kryder, Janet Nelson, Karen Peterson, Morris Shapiro, Randall Smith, Beverly Taylor, Sherill Taylor, and James Widner.

Newly inducted juniors are: Scott Andrick, James Barnbrook, Susan Bock, Carol Buzolitz, Louisa Danch, Nancy Erickson, Peggy Feferman, Michael Fitzgerald, Sharon Fox, Janet Gebhardt, Suzanne Gregor, Philip Hamilton, Cathy Havel, Karen Kamp, Patricia Keating, Janet Keith, Elizabeth Koehler, Linda Lane, Christine Larson, Patti Lefkow, and Susan Liste.

Other juniors are: Linda Magee, William Manuzak, Pamela Martinov, Christopher May, Robert Miller, Barbara Natkow, Brenda Nelson, Joan Nugent, Marlene Otter, Karen Parseghian, Gregory Pawlowski, Neva Powers, John Prescott, Esta Reisman, Dennis Rothermel, Mollie Sandock, Susan Sommer, Mary Steinhof, Craig Steinke, J. Robert Stoll, John Tirman, Michael True, Judith Veris, Lynnette Walker, Linda Watt, Sally Weiler, David Woo, and Susan Worland.

Theme Named for Junior Class Dance

"Portrait of My Love" is the theme that the Junior class has selected for its dance. The dance will be held in the gym on April 23, from 8:30 to 11:30.

Eddie Jarrett and his band will provide the music. Tickets, which will be sold in the homerooms by junior cabinet members, are priced at \$2.50 per couple.

Junior Class officers are: Mark Beaudway, president; Kathy Miller, vice-president; Karen Kamp, secretary; and Judy Veris, treasurer.

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Walsh Resigns Tower

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Miss Walsh has been with the TOWER for twelve years and has done an outstanding job. She says that she has enjoyed her connection with the paper and with the fine students who have worked on it. She regrets only that the paper has had such limited support from the students. Miss Walsh wishes Mr. Laiber success and the best of luck.

PTA Sponsors Special Evening Language Classes for Parents

Since all Adams students will be studying completely in foreign languages next year, the PTA has decided to give all parents a chance to study the languages also. It is hoped that the parents who take advantage of these classes will not only learn a lot, but will also carry on many discussions with their sons or daughters at home; this will help to make the speaking of the foreign language more automatic for the students while they are in school.

Classes will be offered in German, French, Chinese, Spanish, Hebrew, and Russian. They will be divided into two major divisions, those in session on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; and those held on Tuesday and Thursday.

The three-day a week classes will begin at 7:00 p.m. and end at 8:30, while the two-day a week classes will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run until 8:45; the lengthened class will make up for the third day.

The curriculum will include elementary grammar, conversation, culture, and native recreation.

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PROGRAM OF STUDENT EXCHANGE TO BE BROADENED

The John Adams AFS Committee is happy to announce that in accordance with the expansion of the foreign language study program at Adams, the foreign exchange student program will also be expanded.

In order to provide the additional funds which will be needed to finance this expansion, another huge AFS drive will soon be initiated. Each homeroom is being

asked to sponsor at least one money-raising activity. The goal is being set at \$300 per homeroom.

Another problem arises with the prospect of from six to twelve foreign students—that of housing. Few people have shown an interest in having an exchange student live with them for a year. The volunteers for housing must increase, or it may not even be possible to have one or two students from abroad, let alone six or more.

Besides receiving more foreign exchange students, Adams also plans to send many more students abroad. The top fifteen juniors in each language will have the opportunity to go abroad. The top five in each language will be given the chance to attend school for a whole year in a country in which their language is spoken.

The other ten in the top fifteen people in each language will have the chance to spend the summer abroad in a country where their

language is spoken.

This expanded exchange program will not be financed entirely by Adams and the South Bend Community School Corporation, but by the United States government. Adams and the other 42 schools in the United States which are trying this language program next year will receive federal subsidies to finance their exchange programs.

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Parents To Study

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Attendance will be taken, and since these classes are on a volunteer basis, parents will be able to drop out during the first two weeks. If they drop out after the first two weeks, they will receive automatic F's. At six-week intervals, they will receive report cards which must be taken home and signed by the son or daughter who is taking the language.

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Demerit System To Be Established

Another new feature of next year's new language system will be the formation of a demerit system; it is important for each and help it succeed.

First, any student caught speaking English will be issued five demerits. Students have been known to forget homework assignments, but the demerit system will act as a cure for this sometimes chronic forgetfulness. Any student not

able to present a finished assignment at any time will receive from one to five demerits, upon the discretion of the subject teacher.

A student who accumulates over 100 demerits in a month will be given extra work to erase the marks. If a student fails to work off his demerits or accumulates over 200 demerits in this time period, he will be placed on temporary probation and will be given a definite date by which time he must have worked off all the demerits he has accumulated.

Any student who is constantly receiving demerits and makes no visible effort to work them off, will be put on probation and may face suspension.

Classroom demerits may also be issued if the subject teacher feels a student is not completing the required work satisfactorily, or if classroom discipline is a problem.

This demerit system will undoubtedly take a little getting used to, but it is hoped that by its use the students may better realize the importance of such education and will make more effort to help it succeed.

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Diamondmen Await Mishawaka and First State Tournament

Nine returning lettermen, pitching depth, hitting, and speed all combine to make the prospects look good for Coach Len Buczkowski's second season as head Adams baseball mentor. The Eagles will take the field for the first time this season next Tuesday when they will host Mishawaka. Adams downed the Maroons last year.

For the first time in history, a state baseball tournament will be held this year. The tourney will begin on May 29 at 64 sectional sites, one



TRACK LETTERMEN: Kneeling, Hardy Lanier, Cubie Jones, Ron Collins, Tom Walls, Jack Driver, John Jackey, and Phil Hamilton. Standing, Coach Poe, Kevin Walter, George Wilkins, Scott Campbell, Larry Williams, Tom Taylor, Pat Hartwick, John Daugherty, and Coach McLaughlin.

of which will undoubtedly be South Bend's Bendix Park. This will give the Eagles something besides the City Tourney title to shoot for.

But before tournament competition begins, the team will try to improve on last year's 7-10 season record.

Pitching should make a big contribution to doing this. This year's staff includes Bob Storm, Doug MacGregor, Rick Sayers, Greg Pawlowski, and Jim Kryder, among others. The catching position is still being fought for, but looks strong at this point.

Perry Perciful, Larry Wharton, Ed Szucs, and three pitchers named above who aren't hurling at the time should be the group the infielders are chosen from.

Outfield help will probably come from Gary Gibboney, John Kaiser, Mike Kominkiewicz, Mickey

Female Swimmers

The 1967 John Adams Girls Swimming Team began their season on March 14 when they visited the Jackson girls. The meet was so close that the outcome was not decided until the final event of the day, the 200-yard freestyle relay, was swum. Jackson's win in this event gave them a 45-32 victory over the female Seagles.

The next two meets turned out better for Adams, however. Two nights later they downed Riley in their own pool and then on March 21, they beat them again in the Adams pool, 49-28.

In the latter meet Adams won six of the nine events. Sue Eberhardt was a double winner, while Kathy Kessler, Cathy Ward, Sue Stanz, and the 200-yard medley relay team also won.

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The 1967 varsity and B-team team baseball schedule:

Tue., Apr. 4	— Mishawaka
Wed., Apr. 5	— LaSalle
Thu., Apr. 6	— St. Joe
Tue., Apr. 11	— at Michigan City
Fri., Apr. 14	— at Jackson
Sat., Apr. 15	— at Niles
Tue., Apr. 18	— Riley
Fri., Apr. 21	— at Washington
Sat., Apr. 22	— at Culver Military
Tue., Apr. 25	— Central
Fri., Apr. 28	— at Goshen
Mon., May 1	— Michigan City
Tue., May 2	— at Bendix
Wed., May 3	— at Riley
Mon., May 8	— Elkhart
Wed., May 10	— at LaPorte
Fri., May 12	— Mishawaka
Mon., May 15	— Central at Bendix
Wed., May 17	— Goshen
Thu., May 18	— St. Joe at Bendix
May 23-26	— City Tourney
Mon., May 29	— Sectional begins

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Golfers Looking for Pars, Birds, and Eagles

Bremen and Niles will be the first two teams to test Coach Veryl Stamm's 1967 varsity golf squad. Bremen will host the team on April 11 and Niles visits the Eagles home course, Erskine, two days later.

Captain Les Mawson and Mark Williams, the only two returning lettermen, head the list of varsity hopefuls this year. Others hoping to win a place on the five-man team are Lee VanBuskirk, Mike Seitz, Terry Tulchinsky, John Gray, and Lyn Zeiger. All of these boys played on last year's B-team.

Weather permitting, these diviters plus about forty others will tee off during spring vacation next week at Erskine in hopes of turning in one of the five lowest totals and winning a varsity berth.

Captain Mawson has one complaint about the golfing situation at Adams. He said, "In my four years here at Adams, I've never seen a spectator at a golf meet." Mawson feels the team will perform better in front of spectators and urges all students to attend the meets.



CHECKING ON Captain Les Mawson's golf stance, right, are Mark Williams, left, and Coach Stamm, center.

The team will be trying to better last season's 15-6 dual match record, second-place finishes in the Kaeppler Memorial and the sectional, and a tenth-place finish in the state tourney.

Before tryouts for the team have even been held, varsity hopefuls feel these records can be improved upon during this season.

Last year, the squad got off to a fine start by winning seven

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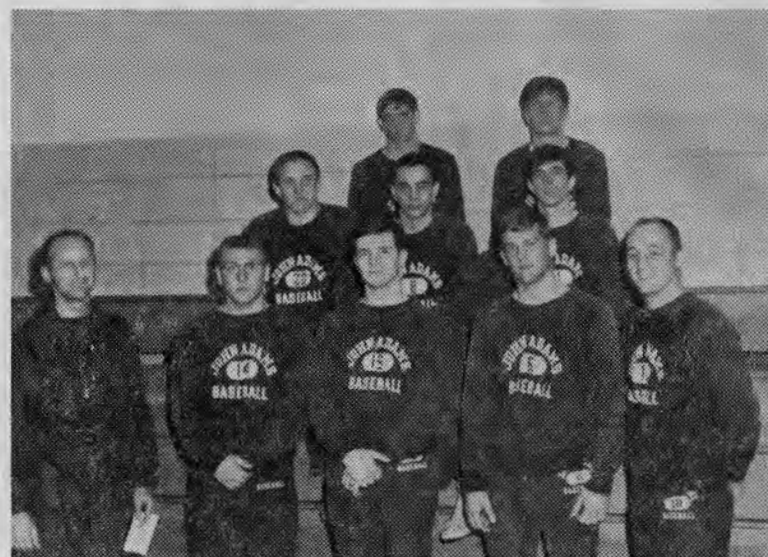
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Cindermen Win First Meet, Future Bright for Team

If the results of the first track meet of the year can be used as an indication of what's to come the rest of the season, Coach Neil McLaughlin's first John Adams track team will be one of the top teams in the conference as well as in the northern part of the state.

Their first effort of the 1967 season produced a quadrangular indoor victory over Calumet, St. Joe, Michigan, and Gary Wirt. The Eagles total of 97½ points easily outdistanced second-place Calumet's 70.



BASEBALL LETTERMEN: Row 1, Coach Buczkowski, Mic Spainhower, Gary Gibboney, Doug MacGregor, and Coach Griffith. Row 2, John Kominkiewicz, Larry Wharton, and Perry Perciful. Row 3, Rick Sayers and Bob Storm.

Although the season is still young, bettering last year's dual meet record of 8-1-1, second-place conference finish, and third-place sectional finish all seem real possibilities.

Coach McLaughlin replaced Clyde Remmo this year and Mr. Daniel Poe took over the position of assistant from Mr. David Hada-way. The two new coaches saw 15 returning lettermen report for the team's first practice about a month ago.

In that quadrangular meet,

matches before losing their first of the year to LaPorte. As last year, the toughest competition should come from LaPorte, Warsaw, and Niles.

Warsaw and Niles are both given good chances to win the state titles in their respective states. The Eagles will meet both teams at the start of their season. On April 13, they will host Niles, and on April 15, they will play in the Culver Military Invitational in which Warsaw, Culver, and Riley, along with Adams, will make up the field.

The 1967 varsity golf schedule:

Tue., Apr. 11	— at Bremen
Thu., Apr. 13	— Niles
Fri., Apr. 14	— Lakeland
Sat., Apr. 15	— Culver Invitational
Thu., Apr. 20	— Elkhart-Mishawaka
Mon., Apr. 24	— Penn-Bremen
Tue., Apr. 25	— LaPorte at Goshen
Thu., Apr. 27	— Central-Riley
Mon., May 1	— St. Joe
Tue., May 2	— Washington at City
Thu., May 4	— Elkhart at Mishawaka
Tue., May 9	— Goshen-LaPorte
Thu., May 11	— Riley at Central
Tue., May 16	— City at Washington
Fri., May 19	— Sectional at Elkhart
Tue., May 23	— Kaeppler at Riley
Sat., May 27	— State Meet

sprinter Ken Butts and jumper Larry Preston were the only double winners.

Butts took first place in both the 60- and 220-yard dashes, while Preston was winning the high jump and broad jump events.

Other Adams winners were Hardy Lanier in the 440, Phil Thompson in the 880, Kevin Walter in the two-mile run, and John Jackey in the pole vault.

Both the mile and half-mile relay teams also turned in victories. The mile relay team was made up of Phil Thompson, Hardy Lanier, Pat Hartwick, and Larry Williams. Ken Butts, Ron Collins, George Wilkins, and Tom Walls combined in the shorter race.

Other Finishers

Other top Eagles finishers were Herman Humes, second and third in the hurdle races, Ron Collins, second in both the 60-yard dash and the broad jump, and Tom Walls and George Wilkins, second in the high hurdles and the 220, respectively.

Scott Campbell and Paul Shapiro took second and third places in the shot put, Jack Driver finished third in the mile, Bill Manuzak took a fourth in the two-mile, and George Grayson took third in the high jump.

Tonight the team will travel to LaPorte to take on the tough Slicers. The remainder of the 1967 varsity track schedule:

Thu., Apr. 6	— at Goshen
Wed., Apr. 12	— St. Joe
Fri., Apr. 14	— Mishawaka
Tue., Apr. 18	— at Penn
Sat., Apr. 20	— Elkhart
Mon., Apr. 24	— Goshen Relays
Thu., Apr. 27	— Central
Tue., May 2	— Washington
Sat., May 6	— Conference
Tue., May 9	— Riley
Sat., May 12	— Sectional
Wed., May 17	— at LaSalle
Sat., May 19	— Regional
Tue., May 23	— City Meet
Thu., May 25	— Frosh Meet
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