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### **Model UN To Meet** At AHS in February

The annual meeting of the Model United Nations Assembly is scheduled for February 13 and 14 at John Adams. This year, however, will see Adams alone in this project, as other area schools have withdrawn their participation.

The Model U.N. offers students the opportunity to become personally involved with active deliberations of a world body attempting to solve complex problems and issues facing the nations of the world. They may participate in real debates in the area of international relations, thus gaining a working knowledge in this field. The student may also present his own ideas on the solution of problems of international importance.

The coordinating committee for the Model United Nations is headed by Mike Raymond and Paul Woo. Members of the committee are seniors John Seidl, Marvin Symcowicz, Dennis Thomas, and Howard Berman. Juniors are Joe Raymond, Dave Vance, and Bennet Traub.

The sponsor of this year's U.N. is Mr. Peter Holmgren, along with the Forensic Society.

Students wishing to participate as delegates to the John Adams Model U.N. should register in room 301 after school on November 4 - 8. In order to be a success, the U.N. must be supported by students. Anyone who has an interest in international affairs is encouraged to join.

Subjects for U.N. discussion this year are Biafra, Vietnam and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

### News In Brief

COLLEGE CONFERENCES Coming up is the Ball State con-

ference to be held November 20, at 2:30 in the Little Theater. Indiana University conference will be held November 18, at 10:30 in the Little Theater. THANK-YOU

To Junior U.S. History teachers for the great time in Dearborn last Friday.

JOHN ADAMS TOWER

### Student Council Notes

Several members of Student Council will "tell it like it is" at the PTA presentation, "Students Speak Out," December 4. A new student washroom across from the cafeteria was opened October 28. It was opened so that students can wash with soap and water before eating.

Visitors are welcome to come to any Student Council meeting. Any student may request an admit from the homeroom teacher. The Student Council requests each visitor to sit at the visitor's table.

The New Student Committee will be a standing committee of the Student Council. When a new student registers at Adams, a member of the committee will be called to the office to meet the person. Then the newcomer will be shown around the school. This promises to be a very worthwhile committee because it will make new students feel more comfortable in strange surround-

### 'Lark' Nears **Opening Night**

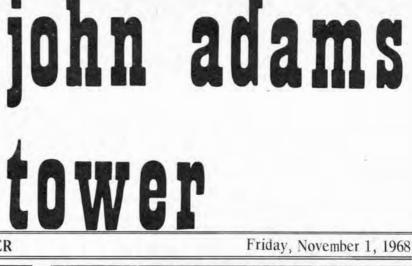
"The Lark" is well into rehearsal. The cast is looking forward to opening night, November 6, 1968. All lines are memorized, and the set is beginning to look just as planned.

Posters announcing the play have been placed all over school and South Bend.

For an evening in the France of Jeanne d'Arc, and a look at one of the greatest crimes of all times, plan to see "The Lark". November 6, 8 or 9, in the Little Theater. Tickets are seventyfive cents in advance, and \$1.00 at the door.

They may be purchased from any Drama Club or cast member.

The committee chairmen, chosen to see that all preparations are complete, are hard at work behind the scenes. They are: Karen King, Costumes; Eunice Jackson, Tickets; Craig Bridge, Lighting; Jill Kuespert, Publicity; Nancy Krouse and Louise Johnson, Set; Pat Moody, House; Donna Eskew, Make-up; Cheryl Kloote and Debra Ball, Properties. Posters and displays are being designed and executed by Karen Slutsky, with the help of Mr. Seeley.





John Brademas presents a check to FTA President, JoAnne Karn. Brademas Cites

#### Political Ethics "Considerations of morality and stem, it is often necessary to justice play a far greater role in the judgment of political leaders and interests."

than the layman often realizes," stated Congressman John Brademas last Wednesday at the annual Eagle Ethics Assembly of John Adams High School.

He continued, "Members of the House and Senate often risk the wrath of their constituents or of interest groups by voting their consciences on controversial issues they deem particularly important."

Brademas cited examples from John F. Kennedy's book, Profiles in Courage. His book presents a series of historical accounts of political fortitude by various American leaders.

Brademas urged the students to seek to carry out their principles by active participation in politics. He told them "not to shy away from politics, but to join the fray of give and-take, negotiation, and compromise, that are the essence of American political democracy."

"Compromise," he added, "is not synonomous with giving up principle. Even as in a church body, so too in our political syreconcile differing viewpoints An honorarium check for \$75

was presented to the congressman for speaking at the assembly. He, in turn, presented this check to the Future Teachers Club (FTA) of Adams.

## **Seniors** Lead Sophmore Classes

Sophomore English classes had the distinct pleasure of playing hosts to senior instructors last week.

Two seniors taught each class, every hour of the day. They continued this for one week, beginning October 21.

Reactions in the sophomore class to the election unit was mixed. One sophomore girl felt that her class had not had enough preparation for the subject. Another said that the problem was in the sophomore class itself. She thought that any sophomore should have a working knowledge of the major issues of the day.



Howard Berman and Chuck Beaver fulfill requirements by teaching Mrs. Weir's third hour English class.



(kneeling), Dona Eskew, Coral Martin, and Jill Kuespert.



by Ernie Szansz

From The Editor's Desk

The 1968 football season seems to have given the Adam's student body a new sense of pride. Our pep assemblies are no longer quiet, our Booster club is no longer empty, and at games our football players are no longer backed by a deafening silence. They are being encouraged by cheering boosters. We have improved from the past, we have constructed a present, and we have laid a foundation for the future. YOU, the student have instilled this concrete pride in your hearts. You have joined the Booster Club. a dedicated organization which spends hours painting hall signs, selling rosters, and planning so diligently for the future. Our teams, whether they be football, track, cross country, swimming, wrestling, tennis or basketball, are enecouraged on to victory.

The 1968 football season, however, ends this weekend, but the end leads to a new beginning, the 1968 Basketball season. Will your spirit end with the end of football season, or will you maintain your pride throughout the basketball season? It's all up to you -- "be it as you will."

#### **BIOLOGY II CLASSES** STUDY ARBORE TU or mishaps became an everyday

Biology II classes under the direction of Mr. Ernest Litweiler are finding actual experience to be the best teaching method. These classes are studying the science of ecology, nature study, to obtain a better understanding of their environment.

Each class period the students explore a natural wooded area known as an arboretum. This area is specially designated for the study of nature.

Each September these classes begin by learning to classify all manner of life by certain characteristic traits. An area several feet square is marked off by each student who then classsifies and charts every object, the living, the doubtful and the inanimate.

Very little equipment is used by the classes, which are basically discussion and observation. One project, however, was to test the productivity of the soil in South Bend. Soil samples were obtained from several places and brought back to the classroom for testing. Ph readings and other tests were conducted as well as testing for such things as stony, sandy, or rich soil.

Later the classes took an instrument known as a biterlick winkschlaprobe to determine the number of trees of a certain species and diameter per acre. When man violates nature; minoccurrence. Tragedies range from mosquito bites and run nylons to Dennis Downey's encounter with an angry bee. Another class found itself stranded under the Twyckenham viaduct during a sudden shower. Female members of the class have their own problems with nature. Screams such as "an arachnida (spider) is attacking me" are not unusual.

During a typical class period members of the class were collecting, numbering and classifying all the small animals, insects, and the like to be found in the area. While the class worked, Mr. Litweiler would interrupt to lecture on, "Species of a worm, nightcrawler, molluska," and then continue by pointing out the special characteristics of each specimen.

The pride of this year's classes was the discovery of a tree, a bladder nut, in the arboretum. This tree is very rare in the midwest. Experiences such as these prompt various reactions. "When you're free, it's easier to learn, and you can get away from classrooms pressures," says Becky Henslor. "It's interesting and a lot of fun because it's different," added Donna Troutman. "It can get expensive though, I ruin a pair of nylons every time," is Sara Zoss's rueful comment, "but I

> 6th hour Biology II class uses a little manuvering to reach their outdoor classroom, the arboretum.

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### PANEL PREDICTS NIXON WINNER

Nixon is the one to win the presidential election on November 5th, was the overwhelming (2 to 1) decision of the last panel discussion on the presidential candidates. The selection of Nixon to win is not based on whom the panelists wanted as such, but on the basis of who has the best chance to win.

The panelists were senior Charlie Appel, senior Dan Gregg, and sophomore Stuart Wolfarth. Others, who also have participated in previous discussions, were senior Mike Ball, junior John Mc Donald, junior Joe Raymond, freshman Les Szasz, junior Dave Vance and moderator Szasz.

"Considering the hard fought battle at the Republican Convention for the nomination for president, do you think Richard Nixon deserves the nomination?"

Les said, "Of course." He said that Nixon ran in all the primaries, while his opponents refused to run against him. He took his campaign to the people. John admitted that Richard Ni-

xon worked hardest for his party, but said that the Republicans didn't offer a qualified man. Charlie pointed to the fact that

the Republicans made a strong comeback in '66, and that it was due to the work of Nixon. During the convention he was just collecting for old favors. Rockefeller, Nixon's main rival at the convention, on the other hand didn't work for the party, and, in fact, hurt it in the '64 election.

Mike added that the Republicans had no choice, for Reagan was too inexperienced, and Rockefeller

### **NHSPBegins Busy Year**

There are few experiences more rewarding than helping another person to learn. The Neighborhood Study-Help Program, aprogram designed to help disadvantaged school children, affords valuable training for both student and teacher.

Several NSHP centers accommodate grade school children from South Bend and Mishawaka. The tutor-student ratio is, ideally, one to one, which promotes friendship as well as increased individual attention. The sessions are generally an extension of school and a time to help with homework. Often, however, this time is used for discussion of child's interests. Adult the supervisors are on hand to enforce discipline if needed, but usually most of the children realize that they are there to learn. The program is now supported by a grant from the Rockerfeller Foundation; however, the tutor work is purely on a voluntary basis.

Note: The Tower Staff extends it's apologies to the Central Students who were offended by the Letter to the Editor in the October 18 issue of the Tower. We sincerely hope you will understand that a letter to the editor expresses the opinion of one person, not the opinion of the Tower Staff or the Adam's student body.

was not liked well enough. "What is Nixon's campaign strategy? How does it work and what results does it have?" was the next question posed.

Dan replied that Nixon was quiet on the issues. He doesn't want to jeopardize his good position with any controversial issues.

Dave added that Nixon is expressing his views on everything except Vietnam, because he doesn't want to imperil present peace talks.

"Nix is 'cooling it' because the Republicans bungled up the last two elections. He doesn't want to make any mistakes now," Mike said.

According to John, Richard Nixon in '64 said that it is the duty and responsibility of a candidate to engage in a debate. He is doing in '68 what he told the Democrats not to do in '64.

"Do you believe that Nixon's campaign is run too much like a big political machine, and that Nixon is not personal enough?" Ernie was soon corrected by Mike and the rest of the panel on the use of the word "machine." They felt that Nixon doesn't have a machine as political machines are thought of in the conventional sense, but he does have a smoothly-run, well-organized "organization".

Mike replied that this time around, Nixon isn't out "kissing the farmers pigs. He is running a conservative campaign."

Les added that Nixon is so well organized because he wants everything to turn out perfect. He doesn't want to chance any mis-

takes. Dave commented that the Republicans are so well united within, that they give the impression of a big machine. The Democrats, on the other hand, are so divided that in comparison it again gives the Republicans a

> machine image. "Why does Nixon refuse to debate?" Ernie inquired.

Some obvious answers about the '60 election were brought out. Dan, however, expressed his opinion that the candidates should let the public know where he stands on all issues, including Vietnam. He felt Nixon wouldn't hurt our chances of peace.

Mike, however, felt that Nixon was taking a responsible position, because a candidate making undiplomatic statements might well scare the North away from the peace table.

Other questons and comments included law and order, where, in short, the panel agreed that Nixon would be somewhat tougher, and ethics of the candidates. Joe felt that Nixon shouldn't have accepted money in the past for no particular reason, but most of the other panelists said that if someone gives you money, "why not take it? It's only a contribution."

The three panel groups on Wallace, Humphrey, and Nixon confirmed what the experts predict. Wallace will be rejected, Humphrey has little chance to win, and it seems that Nixon is the one. But no one will know until November 5.

#### **BECKY TELLS**, **OF LIFE'S TAPESTRY** by Becky Lindsay weaving.

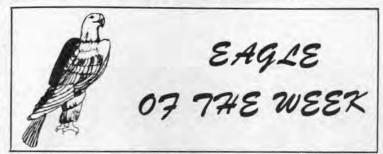
Living life is like the weaving of a tapestry. The loom is supplied, but the choice of the colors and the pattern must be decided

upon by you alone. This work of art begins the day you are born. As the days go by, you weave continuously, but sometimes without diligence and purpose.

This is when you must take the time to stop and plan your future. You realize that the pattern which you have been weaving has nothing to it, no style whatsoever. Oh, how you wish you could go back and begin again! You find, however, that you can't go back and you know that you must continue

At this realization, you begin to weave better colors. The pattern improves and begins to take on a beauty so great that mistakes of the past are barely noticeable. You realize that, although life is short, and the time you are allotted to make your tapestry passes quickly, it is never too late to contribute something of your-

self for the good of mankind. When you pass from this earth, this tapestry, your life's work, is what you will have to show on your day of judgement. Make your tapestry as beautiful as you possibly can, for it will live on forever, showing the color and the pattern of your life.

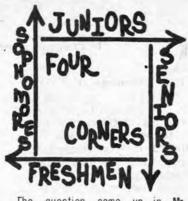




"I would like to see more people get involved in school activities," says senior Patty Casper. "Otherwise, you miss out on most of the fun of high school." Patty, obviously living up to her words, occupies her spare time with numerous school activities. This year she is serving as historian for the Future Teachers Association and an active member of the local Y-Teens groups.

To keep her senior year on a happy note are her positions as president of Girls Chorus and attendance secretary of the Mixed Chorus. To acquire a little practice for her future occupation as a nurse, Patty joined Adams' Red Cross Youth.





The question came up in Mr. Reed's class about having mock presidential elections. "I'll run for secretary," called out Mike Longfellow.

Ronnie Reisman has trouble with abbreviations - he thinks that the D.C. in Washington D.C. stands for "British of Columbia." Sure, Ronnie.

Only Rick Colbert can call up Republican Headquarters and ask for information on Wallace.

Does Rhonda Neff's chin look like a Hockey puck, Esther Goldsmith? Or else why did you hit it with your hockey stick?

Who was it who got her locker T.P.'d?

Why did Gary Travis get a round of applause in Sociology class - - is this our first "A" Gary?

Hey, what's this about Maureen Engle having a birthday party during "A" lunch? How about that present, Maureen?

Who is it that likes to throw pennies in sixth hour Sociology class? Would you happen to know, John Ray?

Okay, seniors, we understand that at some time in your lives, everyone has a nickname, but why must you resort to ones such as Animal, Beardman, Raspberry, and Puppydog?

Come on, at least you could have thought of something original, like Frog-eyes!

There are certain seniors who still don't know where their rooms are - for instance, Marty Katz, Nena Zeiger, Connie Fisher, and Sheila Neff. Hey, Bert Fleming, how are your crutches?

John Adams General Hospital has just added a few more patients; Stephanie Ganser, Marcia Futter, Jenifer Huff, Bert Fleming, Nick Siomos and other patients keep good attendance.

How was your cake Mr. Friend? Your class is going to miss you.

Tim Otter. . . No Republican cam-paigning in Mrs. Sullivan's class from now on.

Four Corners has failed to announce the outcome of the bicycle race(or was it tricycle race) between Steve Collins and Harry Price in Mrs. Sullivan's Tour de France. They really looked professional.

Rogie Scheer, we won't tell anyone what happened this week.

Little Nance Smith has got to be the only girl at John Adams High School with freckles on her knees.



one of his student's speeches.



Goblins and goodies lent a Halloween atmosphere to the pediatrics ward of Saint Josephs Hospital yesterday when the members of Red Cross Youth gave a Halloween party.

Members of the club, dressed in costumes of their own invention, entertained while the small patients munched the cookies and cider provided for them. Becky Lindsay sang to the piano accompaniment of several other members. Those children able to walk played "pin the nose on the pumpkin" while others sang, played guessing games, and visited with the girls. Masks and candy favors took the place of tricks and treats.

The club will begin the construction of a large furnished doll house next week. This house will be made entirely by hand and will be presented to the children's ward of one of the local hospitals upon completion. Through the cooperation of the student body members would like to collect such items as soap and razor blades for servicemen in Vietnam.

Members also work in connection with the local Red Cross chapter house, addressing mail, stamping envelopes and doing other necessary odd jobs. For themselves they sponsor field trips to areas of local interest, along with fund raising projects such as bake sales. Meetings are held every other Thursday in room 129 under the sponsorship of Miss Giannuzzi. Membership fees are fifty cents.

Officers for the club are Mary Sonneborn, president; Julie Eufemi, secretary-treasurer; and Cheryl Morfoot, program chairman.

Candid Camera

Wow, It must be funny!

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**GirlsVariety** Football, baseball, cross-country, basketball, track--boys have

all the fun! Sports Club headed by Mrs. Shirley Miller and Miss Susan Gan-

ser offers a wide variety of sports for girls. So far, the club's 65 members have had a chance to participate

in lifesaving, intramural volleyball and are presently involved with gymnastics. Splash parties are held several

times a year and tennis will be offered in the spring. During the winter evening recreation will be held in the new gym. This will offer the girls a chance to participate in several sports in the same evening.

GSC also sponsors three interschool teams for Girls. The first of these, an inter city softball team, made its advent this fall for the first time. The team finished its season as league champions with a 2-0 record.

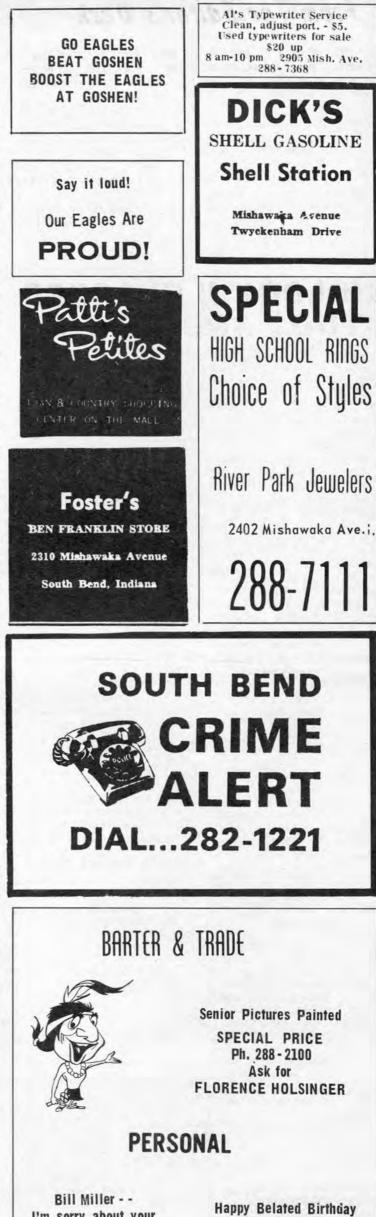
The volleyball team will begin practice in late February. The team will be composed of four strings; the top two will compete interscholastically. Last year Adams concluded their season in a three way tie for fourth place. This activity is under the sponsorship of Miss Ganser.

Mrs. Miller will supervise the girls swim team. The team also begins practice in late February and competes interscholastically. Last year the team finished second in the city.

An awards banquet will be held in the spring to honor the club's most outstanding memembers. The officers of the Girls Sports Club are Netta Green, president; Colleen Morfoot, secretary; Jackie Stewart, membership chairman; and Mary Benish, social chairman.

Take a deep breath and make a

big wish!



I'm sorry about your broken collar bone! Too Bad.

**To Jim Sanders** From Ronnie

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# **CLAY DOWNS ADAMS FOR FIRST TIME 13-7**



#### Tony Lawrence lines up prior to touchdown reception.

### **Eagles Face Winless Goshen in Grid Finale**

#### by Jim Siberell

of their abilities. The real argu-

ment for these losses lies on the

other side of the scrimmage line-

in, the Clay defense. The Colon-

ial eleven were big; the Adams

line gave up to 15-30 pounds per

man to Clay. One Clay senior

tackle looked like he'd just es-

caped from the zoo. But they are

the victors and must be given the

**Goshen Tonite** 

In some respects the season can

be called a frustrating one. But

Adams can only look forward to

the game tonight. Poor Goshen.

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Last Saturday, Adams dropped ters. They thought that when Saya 13-7 decision to Clay at School ers or Madison was thrown for a Field. The Colonials set their loss that it was a representation offensive pattern on the first series, that being a determined running game with an occasional pass play. They took the opening kickoff and marched 74 yards in 6 minutes to score.

#### **Field Position**

In the first half, Adams had exceptional field position on two occasions. After the Eagles had gained a first down at their 45, Sayers was thrown for one of several losses and Ed Freel was forced to punt. Some 10 minutes later, a pass to OLD Reliable Jim Smith gave Adams a first down deep in Clay territory at the 35. The Eagle quarterback received pressure from the Colonial line and fumbled to kill the drive.

#### **Eagles Move**

With a 13-0 score, a determined Adams' eleven started something in the final period as the majority of the Eagle fans turned their attention to the field and began cheering their team.

The Eagles put togegher a sustained scoring march of 70 yards, starting at their own 30 yard line. Every yard of the drive was accomplished by passing, with Sayers gaining more confidence in each completion, as likewise did his receivers.

#### Clay Won

Some of the Eagle boosters were critical of the show that was presented by Adams in three quar-



### **Riley Downs**

#### Beagles by Wesley Dixon

On Monday October 28, at 4 pm Adams hosted Riley and was defeated 13-6.

Adams kicked off to Riley and recovered a fumble. This gave the Beagles good field position but they failed to gain. Riley took the ball upfield and scored on a 30 yard pass. This made it 7-0. The Beagles started a 50 yard drive, then Bob Butch threw an interception which was fumbled in the end zone area and recovered by Adams to put them on the scoreboard. They failed to convert the extra point. Riley scored later in the contest to ice the game. This made the final score 13-6.

### FROSH BEAT LASALLE

On October 23 the Adams Freshmen rallied from a 13-0 deficit to defeat the upset-minded LaSalle Frosh 25-13. This made final Eagle record 7-1.

LaSalle scored the first two times they had the ball. Their first score came on a 40 yard run by Dan Pinkert. Shortly after that LaSalle scored on a 40 yard pass from Pinkert to Ferris King. The Eagle defense then dug in to set up the first Adams score, a two yard run by Joe Fragomeni. On the final play of the first half, Pat McGann made the score 13-12 on a 13 yard run.

In the second half Marty Katz scored on runs of 55 and two yards and Steve Hardy ran one extra point to give Adams a 25-13 victory.

This victory gave the Frosh an opportunity to participate in the playoffs. The Frosh won a coin toss with Washington and St. Joseph. They met Mishawaka Marian for the championship yesterday.

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Last Saturday a thousand fans filed into School Field fully expecting to see Adams run over Clay. This feeling of overconfidence was extemplified in last week's Tower's Booster Club ad which read "Clay Colonials:No Sweat." After Clay took a 13-0 lead no one was worried. Everyone was sure that the Eagles would come back with two last minute touchdowns. When the game finally ended Adams had not run over Clay, nor did they score two last minute touchdowns. It was not until after the game when everyone realized what had happened and no one believed it; Adams had lost to Clay.

After last week's performance, a loss to Goshen tonight is within the realm of possibility. However, the Eagles have gone through a rough week of practice. A victory tonight is necessary to avoid slipping below the 500 mark for the season. It is the last game in an Adams uniform for the Seniors and I doubt if they will blow this one.

The winter sports teams are anxiously waiting to take over the Adams spotlight. The swim team began practice the first week in October and the Basketball team has been working out since mid-October.

Adams	over	Goshen
LaPorte	over	Mishawaka
Elkhart	over	Central
Michigan	over	Riley
City		
St. Joseph	over	Washington

# Harriers **End Season**

by Dave Haskin

The John Adams Cross-Country team had another rough week when they finished ninth in the LaPorte Invitational held at La Porte.

In the Invitational, Chesterton's Steve Wynder finished first, but the Chesterton team finished second behind Highland. Highland had 60 points and Chesterton had 73. Adams had 247 points in their ninth place finish.

#### **Chesterton Wins Regional**

In the Regional, Wynder paced his Chesterton teammates to victory by again finishing first. Michigan City finished second with 104 points as compared to Chesterton's 64 points. Dale Mais of Adams, in an off-day, finished 25th, with John Jensen in a fine race, finishing 27th. Adams had 161 points in their seventh place finish.

Adams was up against some very stiff competition. Chesterton should go on to take the state championship. Highland and Lafayette Central Catholic also have fine teams, It should also be noted that Adams improved their performance over last year's ninth place finish in the Regional against equally tough competition.

It's been a unique season for the Harriers. A wrap-up of the season will appear in next week's TOWER.

