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Frosh Dance To Be Tonight

Musicians in State Contest

JOHN ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL musicians proved themselves again at the state contest. This was held February 15 at Butler University in Indianapolis.

Mr. Lewis, Mr. Ollman, Mr. Ansuini, Mrs. Leininger, and Mr. Hoover were said to be very happy with the performances of their students.

Fifty-five students received gold medals, signifying first place in the contest. Many others received silver, or second place medals.

Adamsites who attended Vespers are familiar with the voices of three of the winners. In vocal music, Dave Bray, Becky Lindsay, and Kathy McMillan took first places.

News Briefs...

FROSH

Have a good time at your freshman party. Remember it's from 7:30 to 10:00.

SAT & ACH

Good luck to all students taking SAT or ACH tests tomorrow.

SWARTZ

Which is a musical Rumpelstiltskin will be presented at 1 and 3 Saturday and Sunday at the I.U. Campus Theater.

SENIORS

57 school days left!

JUNIORS

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FRESHMEN pause for a picture while planning for "Happening '72", working on the dance are left to right first row Sally Strycker, Louise Murdock, Bill Hinkle; second row Mary Lou Fragomeni, Karen Kruyer, Cindy Hamilton, Patty Hamilton; third row David Fitzimmons, Thomas Brownell, and Janice Bussert.

Ivory and Joyner in the "Trials of Brother Jero"

"THE TRIALS OF BROTHER JERO" was presented last Friday and Saturday nights at St. Mary's College as the kick-off for the Black Arts Festival. The cast included two Adams juniors, Kevin Ivory and Mike Joyner, who played the roles, respectively, of a member of the congregation, and the Old Prophet.

The play itself takes place in coastal Africa in the 1940's or 50's. Brother Jeroboam is a self-styled prophet. Brother Chume has been picked as his successor, and Amope is Chume's wife, and the Prophet's lover.

The play is a satire of the ancient custom of men who set themselves up as "prophets", solely for the personal glory they will receive. Typical of these men is Brother Jero, who stakes out territory on a beach and wrests

it from his Old Tutor, who curses him with lust for the "daughters of Eve" which is eventually his downfall.

Jero builds a flock for himself and everything progresses smoothly. Eventually, Brother Chume's suspicions are aroused—even though his wife and Jero argue constantly, she gives him food and clothing, and Jero has forbidden Chume to beat her. Brother Chume, and re-establishes himself as the master.

"Jero" reaches the true problems of the twentieth century African. Through the performances of the three major characters, as well as the supporting cast, the reality of the African's frustrations are seen. This play is a well-chosen beginning for a successful Black Arts Festival.

A HAPPENING BREAKS OUT tonight right here in the Adams gym. It's "Happening '72", and will open at 7:30 tonight for the members of the freshman class. The Shaggs will provide the music. Coke and potato chips will be served. Tickets are a dollar and can be purchased from your homeroom representative.

People behind the scenes of the happening are members of the Freshman Cabinet. Pattie Hamilton and Tom Brownell headed up the poster and ticket committee, respectively.

Members of the cabinet who worked on tickets are: Chris Watt, Patti Van DeWalle, Craig Taelman, Pam Heck, John Lazara, Dennie Anderson, Todd Jordan, Pat McGann, and Patti Quimby. Others were: Scott Pelking, Elmer Robertson, Craig Shaffer, Pat Gibbons, Brad Dow and Jim Diedrich.

Freshmen that worked to get up posters included: Leslie Woodford, Craig Walter, Sally Strycker, Janice Bussert, Karen Kruyer, Bobbie Baker, and Jodi Jermano. Gail Livers, Paul Price, Jean Olson, Carla Sappington, Jill Skoving, Pattie Hamilton, Mari Lou Fragomeni, and Becky Dickens were also on the poster committee.

The dance tonight will begin at 7:30 and end at 10:00. School attire is acceptable dress. This event will be a success if the Class of '72 chooses to make it so. Come and hear the highly psychedelic Shaggs, and have a good time.



A SMILE from Denny Thomas as he and Mr. Roop review plans for Washington.

Denny Thomas To Go To Washington

TOMORROW, MARCH 1, will see Adams' senior, Dennis Thomas, off to Washington DC where he will participate in the Presidential Class for Young Americans. This program was established to grant American high school seniors an opportunity to observe and study the intricacies of the United States government.

TO VISIT CONGRESSMAN

Having been especially selected for this project, Denny's week in Washington will cover a full scale of activities. His first stop will include a visit to congressman Brademas' office. Later in the week he will also witness Congressional hearings, as well as observing various departments of

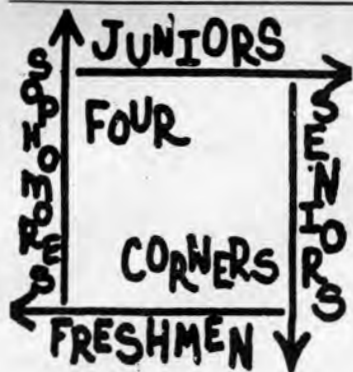
our government, including the departments of Justice, the Treasury, and the Supreme Court. A tour of the White House is also included on the agenda for the week. However, getting away from the White house, Denny will have the opportunity to view the world of the communications media by seeing a major newspaper and television station in action.

TO HEAR SPEAKERS

Throughout the week of learning Dennis will hear various speakers ranging from congressmen to ambassadors. At the weeks conclusion he will find himself as a participant in the National Student Body test.



IN SCHOOL the Tower Photographer catches the eye of Ken Ivory.



Is Mr. Steinke really going to sing, dance, and play his harmonica for his 3rd hour German class?

Here's another excerpt from the incredible flow of love poetry in the contest between the junior boy and girl; "My love is truer than the wind over a stiff fish."

When Jaunita Jones walked into class with an Indian dress on, Mr. Laurita asked where she parked her horse.

Is Frank U. Shearer ready for another T.P. job?

According to Mr. Crow, you can take a woman out of the country, but you can't take the country out of a woman.

How many people can mistake their gloves for a gym blouse? Does it happen often, Sherrill?

Mrs. Schultz asked Richard Davis what he had in his mouth. "Certs," he replied, "I have a sore throat." The class then proceeded to debate whether Certs was a breath mint or a candy mint. At any rate, it was decided that it wasn't a sore throat mint. Nice try, Richard! Too bad the class wasn't fooled.

Clod of the Week Award goes to Jan Hill. At a recent club meeting she dropped the napkins; then, when bending over to pick them up, she spilled her pop all over the club president's feet.

Bill Fitzgerald has such a strong attachment to the water, he has begun to raise goldfish in his locker. Wonder how Bill Stoler is going to like rotting fish around his coat?

When Mr. Reed asked Mark Bravin who should come first, his wife or his job, Mark replied, "It depends what the job is!"

Matt Busch, what did you learn in Mr. Griffith's health class the other day?

Why couldn't Romeo, Bill Hinkle get Juliet, Laury Rubin to bend? Do you know Mrs. Gleason?

Announcement: Laury, Louise, and Janet vote Cindy Hamilton dreidel of the year. The voting took place when the girls chorus went caroling, but now it has become public.

Judy Osmanski told me that eating ice cubes is caused by sexual frustration. Judy, why do you eat icecubes?

Could "Droopy Drawers" be Maureen Fehlig's nickname?

The only reason Laury Rubin had a cast on her arm was to get attention. It must have worked pretty well because she's getting another one in ten days.



Mr. HADAWAY'S DAUGHTER, Beth, and Peggy Martin show the half-yoga headstand.



PEGGY MARTIN and Don Taylor try the shoulder-stand.

Yoga Not for Gurus Only

Yoga is a crazy religious belief where its followers stand on their heads in the corner all day--right? Wrong!

In the United States, yoga is a wonderful type of exercise that anyone can do. You don't even have to be young or agile or on the gymnastics team. Yoga isn't even competitive--everyone sets his own pace and does just what he feels he can do. One of the really great advantages of yoga is that you're not out to practice so hard that you become exhausted. The very essence of yoga is relaxation.

Many adults and teenagers and children are taking up yoga to fight boredom, fatigue, stiffness, and flabbiness. Yoga instructions are now at such a demand that classes have been formed all across the country. Here in South Bend, the Y.W.C.A. offers classes for beginners and advanced. Mrs. Charles Hohman, a yoga instructor at the Y.W.C.A., visited several of the Family Living classes recently. She not only spoke on yoga, but also had several members of the class try various exercises. To show that children easily pick up yoga, three 4-year olds, Beth Hadaway, Linda Wolfram, and Monica Mueller, joined the session. Volunteers from the second hour class were Peggy Martin, Don Taylor, and Leslie Wolfram.

Mrs. Hohman started the volunteers out with a few Asanas, or

warm-ups. From there, the volunteers tried the plow, the cobra, the leg raise, the shoulder stand, and the ultimate in yoga positions, the yoga headstand.

Mrs. Hohman announced that classes will begin at the "Y" in March. There will be a beginners and advanced class for women and, just added recently, a class for men taught by a student of yoga from India. Classes run from 7:30-8:30 Thursday for beginning women, followed by the men's class from 8:30-9:30. Classes are eight weeks long and cost \$8.00.

If you want to take yoga just to learn to sit on a bed of spikes--forget it! But if you want to conquer flabbiness, stiffness, and fatigue, yoga is for you! And remember, you don't have to be a guru or a swami to take yoga--anyone can do it.



DON TAYLOR and friends Beth Hadaway and Monica Mueller demonstrate the basic yoga sit.

In Praise of Chuckholes?

by X. A. Warnell

As one travels from the State of Michigan into the illustrious State of Indiana, you hit the Valley of the Chuckholes.

One could come to Indiana with a brand new car and after going through all of the chuckholes you would need another new car. It was heard through the grapevine that the major car builders in

Detroit are greatly considering using U.S. 31 as a testing ground. The chuckholes have caused people to lose oil pans, mufflers, hubs, shocks, and their minds.

Some chuckholes are so big that you could take a bath in them, while others are used by squirrels to store their nuts in for the winter.

The people of the state of Indiana should be proud of the beautiful chuckholes that cover our streets and highways. The chuckholes should make a beautiful tourist attraction. I can see it now; "Come to the land of a thousand chuckholes and see your car totally demolished."

MINI THOUGHTS

To profit from good advice requires more wisdom than to give it.--John Churton Collins

City life: Millions of people being lonesome together.--Henry David Thoreau

Some fellows pay a compliment like they expected a receipt.--Kim Hubbard

A cynic is just a man who found out when he was ten that there wasn't any Santa Claus, and he's still upset.--James Gould Cozzens

Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else.--Will Rogers

The future is hidden even from those who make it.--Anatole France

ADAMS ALUMNI...

Tirman Enjoys College Life

John Tirman, '68 graduate of Adams and Editor-in-Chief of the '68 Album, feels he has made the wrong decision in choosing Indiana University as his college. He says, "It's too big for me personally." He especially dislikes the size of the classes at I.U. where his smallest numbers 225. He can see how a large university could be advantageous for some, but sees no personal advantage.

He doesn't find college work too difficult if one keeps up with assignments. He thinks anyone can handle the work. The major difference between his college studies and high school has been the tremendous amount of reading required in college. He wishes more reading had been required in high school; he feels everyone can handle this type of assignment.

John has always been interested in politics, and at I.U. he has noticed "a very interested political scene" and an interesting relationship between the national political scene and that of the university. Many campus policies which concern all students, such as open guest hours, have been debated, and John has taken a great interest in the student government.

He prefers dorm living to that in a fraternity house. He feels a fraternity doesn't supply the same advantages as it did years ago. He also disagrees with the idea of pledging. Since he plans to remain at I.U. only one year, hoping to attend college in the East next fall, he views dorm life as more suitable.

John thinks South Bend and Adams especially provides an atmosphere which promotes maturity. Generally speaking, he believes that those students from

this school or city act in a more sophisticated manner, and this has been an advantage. Educationally speaking, he isn't certain whether Adams is a superior school because he hasn't had an opportunity to adequately compare Adams to other high schools.

In some ways, his high school experience has deterred his college progress. Since he studied only when forced, this attitude toward study habits has prevailed somewhat in his college studies.

In college it is not possible to get along as was previously possible in high school. He also feels the counseling system in high schools in general should be improved. There are not enough counselors for the number of students. For a boy especially, the choosing of a college is an important decision, which will be a major influence on his life, and the high school student should have adequate counseling.

After visiting Adams this year, he noticed that the teachers are more outspoken since he has graduated. They have become human beings instead of teachers, which sometimes carries almost inhuman connotations for students. He also noticed a lack of identification at individual classes this year.

John urges everyone in high school to plan to go away to college if possible. In high school many relationships with other students are very superficial, while at college one really knows his friends because he is living with them. He feels that anyone who does not attend college is limiting himself; this experience is so valuable. It is inevitable to not only meet many different kinds of people, but to become a better person because of it.

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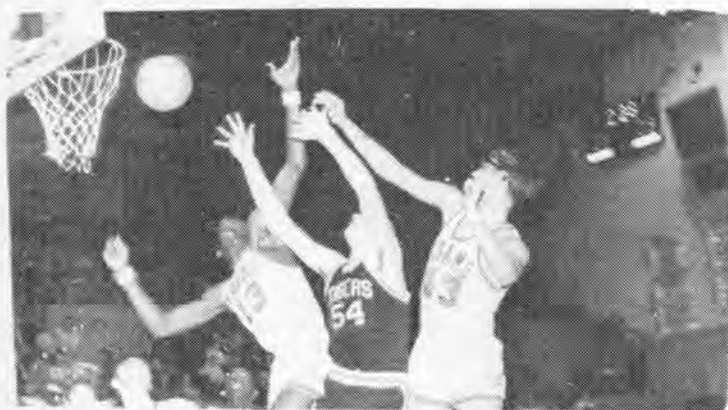
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SEAGLES SEVENTH IN STATE KOKOMO WINS



Mike Newbold shoots off-balance.



Richard Davis and Mike Newbold close in on a Jackson player.

Eagles End Regular Season With 63-53 Win

by Jim Siberell

Barring a Wednesday quarter-final upset, Adams will attempt to secure a berth in the South Bend Sectional title game tomorrow. The last Eagle Tourney championship came in the 1966-67 season, when this year's seniors were sophomores. Wednesday, Coach Don Barnbrook's Eagle 5 met the Mishawaka Cavemen in the second game of the upper bracket in the '68-69 Sectionals, hosted by Notre Dame. The results of that contest cannot be detailed in this column because of the printing deadline of the "Tower."

Panthers or Indians

Assuming a Wednesday Eagle victory, tomorrow's basketball activity features Adams and St. Joe (or Washington) and a game matching Thursday's quarter-final victors. On November 22, Adams dropped a 54-52 decision to tomorrow's likely opponent, St. Josephs. Statically, the Eagle 5 committed 19 turnovers and managed a cool 33% shooting average, although holding a point advantage for nearly the entire game. The Indians have been improving steadily, as displayed by a February two point loss to the state's #2 ranked team, Marion. Offensively, the St. Joe attack is paced by Tom Dennig and Dale Lesicki, each carrying 16-18 point averages throughout their 20 game schedules. Another impressive figure on the Indian 5 is Paul Fredlake, who garners an "A" rating in assists and playmaking, as do the others in scoring. St. Joe's "A" rebounder is again Lesicki the team's static leader. Overall, the St. Joe strength rests in Fredlake and Lesicki, two players whose performances must be limited for an Eagle victory Saturday.

Washington's strength

Washington, at the other ex-

treme in strategy, possesses an attack entitled Mike Davis. On January 31, the 5 foot 9 inch Panther guard gunned for 31 points in their victory over a visiting Eagle 5. Again, Adams lead on several occasions, once by 5 points, but failed to maintain the advantage. Although Davis certainly rates "A" in scoring and on defense, the individual effectiveness of the other Panthers drops considerably from Davis standards.

Adams has had several apogees in this basketball season. Although victories over Clay, Riley, and Jackson were highly credible, impressive performances were also exhibited in contests involving Central (73-72), Ft. Wayne, and Elkhart. Also in defeat, the Eagles have seen the likes of Isaih Whitfield, John Ritter, Garvin Robertson, and Jerry Tetzlaff—some of the impressive opponents.

Hopefully, Davis, or Lesicki will feel the dejection of losing tomorrow. Adams will presumably play Saturday, and will certainly need a team effort for a semi-final win.

FINAL NIC STANDINGS

Michigan City	7 1
Goshen	7 1
Elkhart	6 2
LaPorte	4 4
Riley	3 5
Central	3 5
Mishawaka	3 5
Adams	2 6
Washington	1 7

KURT'S KOMMENTS

By Kurt Heinz

Last weekend eleven swimming and twelve wrestling state champions were crowned and for the first time in quite a while none of them were from South Bend. South Bend, once the sports capitol of the state is thus far having one of it's worst year's against state competition.

South Bend sent six men down to last week's state wrestling championships at Southport and the closest they came was a third place by Central by Central's Tom Davis.

In swimming South Bend's chances rested on Clark and Fitzgerald of Adams, Howie Haines of Jackson, and the Nagy brothers of Riley. Clark and Fitzgerald were the only ones who came close and neither of the Nagy boys placed. The reason for the swimming defeat appears to be that a number of southern swimmers who swam amateur last year are now swimming in high school meets instead.

Frosh Finish 15-7; 2nd In Tourney

by Karl Heinz

The 1968-69 Adams Freshmen Basketball team under the supervision of Coach George Griffith finished the season with a record of fifteen wins and seven losses. The Frosh had one specific bright spot when they won seven games in a row only to fall one game short of their hopes by losing to Schmucker in the St. Joe Valley Tournament championship game. During this streak the Frosh beat Riley, Mishawaka, Schmucker, and LaSalle for the second time, as well as beating Jackson and avenging an earlier loss to Washington. This year's Frosh was hardly ever getting any luck. The Eagles were losers in five out of games in which the difference three points or less. The Frosh were disappointed to lose to Central and Marian twice, but were pleased to defeat Mishawaka three times, and Riley, Schmucker, LaSalle, and Clay twice.

The Frosh improved throughout the year. In the first half they won five and lost four and averaged 41 points to their opponents 39 points. In the second half of the season the Frosh won ten and lost three while averaging 43 points a game to the opponents 30 points. The change in defense occurred mostly because of the assistance B-team coach Dave Hadaway gave Coach Griffith.

The stars for this year's Freshmen were Les Woodford and Gib McKenzie.

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Clark Finishes Second In 50 and 100 Freestyle

by Kurt Heinz

Last weekend, Coach Don Coar and twelve swimmers traveled to Bloomington for the state meet knowing they were a heavy underdog to repeat as state champions, but hoping for some miracle—such as Columbus, Southport, and Kokomo not showing up. But unfortunately those three teams did show up as did three more who finished ahead of our seventh place Seagles. Kokomo who always has been a state power, but has never won the championship, won the team title with 42 points, Southport was second with 38 points, followed by Columbus 33, Speedway 28, South Bend Jackson 16 1/2, Bloomington 17 1/2, and Adams 16 1/2.

No Suprise

Everyone—including Adams Coach Don Coar—picked Kokomo to take the title at the start of the season. So, it was not much of a surprise last week when Kokomo did win because upsets rarely happen in the swimming world. You can basically take the sectional times of each swimmer and figure out where he will place in the state meet. The Seagles knew what to expect and need not be disappointed in their performance.

Clark Second Twice

Jeff Clark was the Seagle standout of the meet finishing second in both the 50 and 100 yard freestyle. Clark swam the 50 in 22.8 which was good enough to tie him with Bill Armstrong but was half a second slower than winner Paul Klotzbler of Ben Davis. In the 100 freestyle Clark couldn't catch Roger Ridenour of Kokomo who set a new state record in the event. Clark who is now a junior should be a contender for the top spot in both of these events in next year's meet.

Three weeks ago Bill Fitzgerald said "I'll be lucky to place in the 200 free but should get a second or third in the 400 free". Fitz was almost exactly correct as he placed sixth in the 200 free and got a third in the 400 free. The 200 free was won by Roger Ridenour who beat Fitz by 7.2 seconds. He swam the 400 in 4:05.5 but that was not enough to beat Rick Roberts of Kokomo who won with a 3:51.6 time.

Adams had two other ribbon winners in John Ford and Jeff Lichtenfels. Ford finished sixth in the

butterfly and Lichtenfels did the same in the diving. Lichtenfels returns next year and should be able to finish much higher in next year's meet.

Records Remain Unbroken

Probably the only consolation for Adams is that both records set last year by Mike Fitzgerald remained intact. The Seagle dynasty may be over, but it will be a while before you won't see someone from South Bend Adams in the record book.

Beagles End Perfect Year

by Wesley Dixon

It is not often that one can say his school finished the season undefeated let alone be a part of that team. It is heard to put into words the feeling of the B-team after finishing off Jackson 41-35, culminating an undefeated 21-0 season. It is not necessary to mention the key players in last Friday's victory because it was a team effort. The effort that everyone gave throughout the year, the effort which brought us all the way to the end of a perfect season.

Such names as T.C. Jamison and Tony Lawrence will always be associated with this team. Most of all let's not forget the man that knew the abundance of talent but had to assimilate it—our own Coach, Dave Hadaway. It is somewhat saddening now that the season is over, but hopefully this team effort will bring even bigger and better things for John Adams in the coming two years.

Gymnasts Lose; Muncie Wins

Last Tuesday in the Adams gym, Ron Muncie became the first Adams student in history to capture a first in a gymnastics meet. Muncie won the tumbling event and picked up seconds in both the trampoline and the free exercise. Elkhart won the meet by a score of 100-54. The gymnasts have yet to win a meet, but are improving every week as is evidenced by Muncie's first.

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