## Michigan City

## Michigan City Rallies To Dump Adams Red Devils Fritter Lead of 11 Points

**Visitors Capture Fifth** Victory by 65-59

#### **By Forrest Miller** Tribune Sports Writer

Michigan City's leading scorer benched with foul trouble more than half the game, lost an 11-point lead before rallying to defeat previously unbeaten Adams, 65-59, Friday night.

An Adams gymnasium basketball crowd of approximately 2,500 fans saw the Red Devils register their fifth victory against a single loss. The win was also the 19<sup>th</sup> straight Eastern **Division Northern Indiana** Conference victory for the defending champions.

Bob Lopp, the Red Devils 6-foot-1 senior forward who is leading his team's season scoring, drew his third fouled midway n the second quarter. He was benched until the start of the second half, then fouled out with 5:51 still to go in the third quarter. He scored eight points.

But guards Charlie Mack and Jim Foster took up the slack created by Lopp's absence. Mack finished with 19 points and Foster 16. The pair scored 12 in the Devils' fourth-quarter rally.

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South Bend Tribune Saturday, December 19, 1959

#### 22 For McKnight

Lee McKnight turned in a normal scoring effort for the Eagles, hitting 10 of 26 field goal attempts and two of three from the free throw line for 22 points.

Senior guard Larry Moore scored 11 points for Adams, but it was his ball-hawking and several interceptions which kept Adams in contention. He forced Michigan City into several errors, particularly in the second quarter when the Red Devils got only eight shots at the basket.

Center Ed Butler added 10 points for Adams.

Adams, which will take a 6-1 record into the Mishawaka holiday tournament Dec. 29, led in the opening minutes until a tip-in by Lopp tied it 9-9 with 4:12 to go in the first quarter.

The visitors quickly sped to a 15-9 advantage and were in front 23-16 at the end of the first quarter.

Michigan City				Adams			
	в	F	P		B	F	P
Lopp	3	2	5	Dairyko	1	0	0
Roland	6	0	2	McKnight	10	2	3
Johnson	2	5	1	Butler	5	0	1
Mack	9	1	2	Clemmons	0	3	4
Foster	6	4	з	Moore	5	1	0
Adams	0	1	1	Stout	3	2	3
Vayhinger	D	8	0	Stricklen	1	1	1
Nowatzke	0	0	0	Levy	0	o	1
TOTALS	26	13	14	TOTALS	25	9	13
Michigan City	·				36	47	65
Adams					33	46	59

Free throws missed: Adams [11]

Dairyko, McKnight, Butler, Moora J, Stout 3, Stricklen 2 Michigan City (5) - Lopp, Roland, Johnson, Mack, Foster Officials: Bob Dornte and Marvin Todd [Fort Wayne]

Adams Storms Back

Three minutes before halftime Michigan City held its widest margin at 33-22. But 90 seconds later Adams had stormed back to trail only 34-30.

With 5:21 to go in the third quarter McKnight's basket brought the Eagles even at 38 all. Moore drove in for a layup to put Adams in front, 40-38 with 4:55 to go in the quarter. The lead changed hands four times before Richard Roland's lavup as the gun sounded put Michigan City in front, 47-46.

Adams never again led, but the Eagles were in contention until the final 44 seconds. Mickey Stricklen hit a free throw to make the score 59-56, but he missed the bonus shot and McKnight fouled Michigan City's Robert Johnson in the scramble for the rebound.

Johnson hit both free throws and added a layup a few seconds later to put the Devils safely in front.

Michigan City hit 26 of 56 field goal attempts for a percentage of 46. Adams was accurate on 25 of 70 for 36 per cent. The Eagles had a bad night at the free throw line, hitting only nine of 20.

Adams won the B team game, 58-42. Bill Helkie had 19 for the winners. Jim Lane scored 16 and Jim Cooper 15 for the Pink Imps.

### Middlebury

# Miller Hits 32 Points To Upset Adams

South Bend Tribune Wednesday, December 30, 1959

#### By Forrest Miller Tribune Sports Writer

Middlebury, stalking its prey like the king of the jungle closing in on a wounded victim, pulled one of the season's major upsets Tuesday afternoon in the opening round of the Mishawaka holiday tournament.

Ernie Miller, a 5-foot-11 senior forward, sparkled for 32 points as the Middies stunned Adams, 64-59.

The host Maroons caught fire in the final quarter to defeat Peru, 45-41, in the opener.

Adams scored seven more field goals than did Middlebury, but the visitors from Elkhart County were deadly at the free throw line, hitting 28 of 33. Ernie Miller, whose 32 points was a new high in the Maroons' 2-yearold gymnasium, hit 12 for 12 at the charity stripe.

After leading most of the half, the Middies hung close until Adams' Lee McKnight drew his fourth and fifth fouls in the first 28 seconds of the fourth quarter.

When McKnight left with 7:32 remaining, and Adams leading, 51-47, the Middies had their big opportunity – and they made the most of it. McKnight's fifth foul was a charging violation as he drove in for his eight basket.



Middlebury				Adams			
	в	F	P		В	F	P
Nelson	1	4	з	Dairyko	0	0	1
E. Miller	10	12	4	McKnight	8	3	5
L. Miller	3	5	1	Butler	4	з	4
Shrock	1	1	1	Clemmons	4	2	3
Hansen	3	6	3	Moore	7	1	5
Plank	o	1	0	Stout	1	0	0
				Strickien	0	0	1
				Levy	1	0	2
				Sink	0	0	1
TOTALS	18	29	12	TOTALS	25	9	22
Middlebury					35	46	64
Adams					33	49	59
Free thro	ws n	niss	ed:	Adams [6]	-		
<b>Butler</b> , Cler	nmo	ns 4	i, Le	evy.			
Middlebury	[5]	- Ne	oele	n, Shrock, H	lanse	in 3	
				Fort Wayne			

Officials: Lieberum [Fort Wayne] and Soh [Hammond]

### Lead See-Saws

Ernie's two free throws made it 51-49. The lead seesawed until Ernie Miller hit two free throws with 2:27 left for a 57-56 Middlebury lead. He had scored what proved to be the Middies' last field goal with 4:32 left. Middlebury scored its last 11 points one at a time as Adams fouled repeatedly trying to break up the Middies semi-stall.

Charlie Hansen was second in the Middie scoring column with 12 points while Lowell Miller had 11.

McKnight's 19 was best for Adams while Moore had 15. Adams hit 25 of 59 from the field for 42 per cent and Middlebury 18 of 41 for 44 per cent.

Mishawaka did not score for the first 3:49 and trailed 8-2 late in the first quarter against Peru. The Maroons went in front for the first time, 30-29, on George Luke's free throw with 19 seconds left in the third quarter.

Mishawaka padded its lead to 36-29 early in the final quarter and was in command the rest of the way. Bob DeBroka had 12 points for Mishawaka with Dick Nelson and Bud Magrane had 11 each.

### Peru

## Adams Victor Over Peru in Loser's Final: 71-64

South Bend Tribune Wednesday, December 30, 1959

By Milt Bock Tribune Sports Writer

In the consolation round Adams Eagles, sparked by the 22 and 21-point productions of Ed Butler and Lee McKnight, outclassed Peru's Tigers, 71-64.

### McKnight Used Sparingly

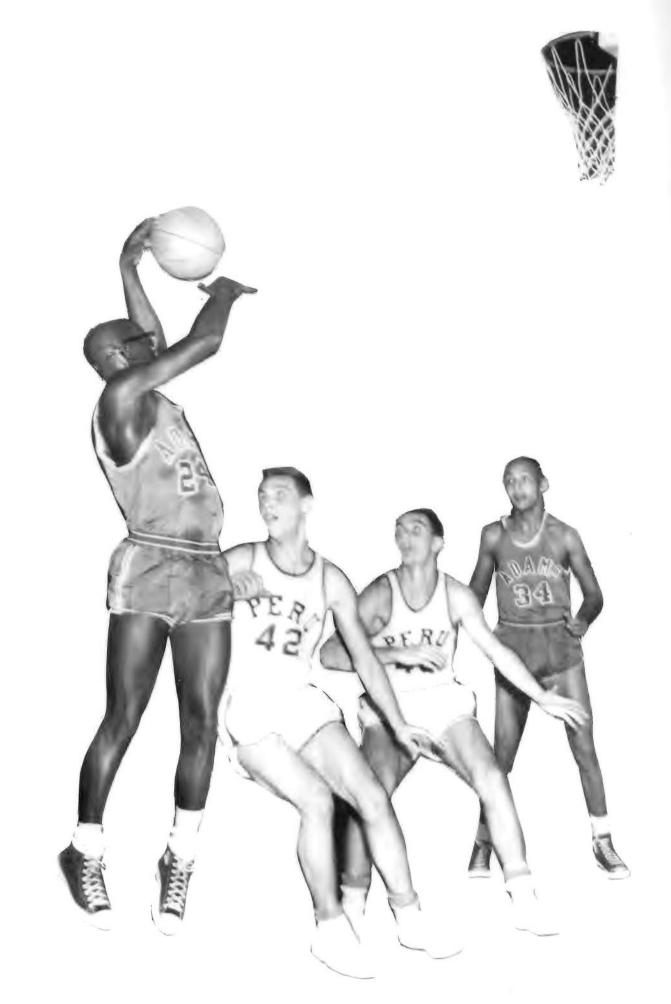
In the consolation match Adams' McKnight picked up two fouls in the first  $2^{1}/_{2}$ minutes and was used sparingly the rest of the way but still managed 21 points on five buckets and 11 out of 14 from the gift line.

With 3:48 remaining in the first period Peru held its last lead at 12-11, but successive goals by Butler and Dick Clemmons put the Eagles out front for keeps at 15-12.

By quarter's end Adams had fashioned a 21-14 lead as Butler tallied eight of his 22 markers and Clemmons added five of his 10-point total. By outscoring the Tigers 15-6 through the second round Coach Warren Seaborg's squad piled up a comfortable 36-22 halftime lead. They were never seriously threatened despite occasional spurts by Coach Bob Biddle's Tigers.

Cor	ISOL	atio	n F	inal			
Adams				Peru			
	B	F	P		в	F	P
McKnight	5	11	4	Scott	6	2	1
Butler	8	6	1	McPherson	9	1	3
Clemmons	4	2	1	Exemeyer	4	0	4
Moore	4	2	1	Constable	5	1	2
Stout	1	0	0	Grandstaff	0	0	з
Dairyko	0	2	0	Moon	0	2	0
Stricklen	2	0	1	R. Newhouse	1	0	4
Levy	0	0	1	Arwood	3	2	1
TOTALS	24	23	9	TOTALS	28	8	18
Adams					36	52	71
				Adams [12] -	22	44	64
McKnight, 3	3, Bu	tler	4,	Clemmons 2, 1	Dairy	ko 2	
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Middlebury				Hishawaka			
	в	F	P		B	F	P
Nelson	3	1	1	Nelson	1	0	0
E, Miller	4	4	0	Magrane	2	0	1
L. Miller	2	2	4	Luke	2	2	3
Shrock	5	0	1	De Broka	5	0	3
Hansen	1	1	з	Willoughby	3	1	2
D. Miller	1	0	1	Taylor	4	1	0
				Yaw	0	0	1
TOTALS	16	8	10	TOTALS	17	4	10
Middlebury.					19	30	40
Mishawaka.					17	26	38
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## LaGrange

# Adams Wins In Illinois

South Bend Tribune Sunday, January 3, 1960

The Tribune's Special Service

**LAGRANGE, ILL.** – Lee McKnight, Adams High School's 5-11 scoring star, dumped in 34 points Saturday night as the Eagles won their eighth basketball game of the season, beating LaGrange, Ill., 66-60.

After taking a 20-10 first quarter lead, Adams lost most of the margin in the second period but was deadlocked, 46-46 as the contest entered the final eight minutes of play.

McKnight went to work in the last quarter hitting six of his 15 baskets and a free throw for 13 of Adams' 20 fourth-period points. The sharpshooter has connected for 247 points in the 10 Adams games. The Eagles have lost twice.

Dick Clemmons, Ed Butler and Mickey Stricklen helped McKnight in the scoring with 15, 10 and 10 points respectively.

The Eagles opened the game on a hot note, hitting about 50 percent of their shots in running up their 10point lead. But, LaGrange battled back with 21 in the second period and held Adams to 11 markers in the third to send the game into the final quarter 46-all.

Led by McKnight, Adams caught fire again in the final stanza and outscored the Illinois quintet, 20-14.

Adams				LaGrange			
	в	F	P		B	F	P
Butler	3	4	4	Persen	2	1	1
McKnight	15	4	з	Blang	4	0	2
Stout	0	0	4	Warte	4	4	1
Clemmons	4	7	з	Ruggins	9	1	4
Stricklen	4	2	3	Bohn	4	8	2
Johnson	0	o	0	Bolem	0	0	1
Dairyko	0	0	0				
Levy	0	0	0				
TOTALS	26	17	17	TOTALS	23	14	11
Adams					33	46	66
LaGrange					31	46	60

McKnight Hits 34 As Eagles Earn Victory No. 8

### Mishawaka

# Adams and Central Top ENIHSC Foes

Butler Hero As Eagles Top Maroons South Bend Tribune Saturday, January 9, 1960

Mishawaka Beaten 49-43 As Ed Scores 19

By Bob Towner Tribune Sports Writer

Big Ed Butler went on a third quarter scoring splurge and the 17-point cushion it produced came in mighty handy as he and his Adams Eagles teammates outlasted a resurgent Mishawaka Maroon squad 49-43 in an ENIHSC basketball game Friday night in the Mishawaka gym.

The victory lifted the Eagles to a nifty 9-2 overall record and 2-1 in the conference while the loss reduced the Cavemen to 7-5 for the season and also 2-1 in the league.

Some 3,000 fans looked on as the 6-4, 175-pound Butler took personal command in the third round to ram home 15 of his 19 points and hoist the Eagles into what appeared at the time to be a comfortable 41-24 lead.

The 8-minute rampage, however, was only one of the several unusual developments in the contest.

Lee (Buddy) McKnight, Adams' high scoring senior forward, carried a 24.7 point average into the game but wound up with a meager seven markers as the result of the Maroons' collapsing zone. McKnight got his only field goal with 3:52 left in the game.

### The Right Time

Butler, too, picked the right time for his scoring heroics. While he was dropping and tipping them in from directly beneath the boards, the Cavemen were in a scoring eclipse collecting a total of five points in the period.

The Maroons appeared headed for oblivion when Dick Clemmons' free throw made it 42-24 at the start of the final round. But George Luke's sixth of eight baskets, a looping hookshot, ignited the fuse and the Mishawakans stormed back with a full court press.

John Willoughby and Dick Nelson collaborated for three quick buckets and the Cavemen were 10 points in arrears at 42-32 with 4:54 to go. McKnight then sandwiched in his lone fielder and two of his five free throws before Luke and Bud Magrane added three buckets to set the score at 47-38. John Taylor added three markers in the waning seconds and Nelson his seventh goal while Moore was getting the Eagles final points on two free throws for the final 49-43 count.

### In Front To Stay

Adams moved in front to stay at 10-8 with 2:30 left in the first quarter. They were out front 14-10 at the end of the round but the Cavemen pulled to within one point at 20-19 shortly before the half which ended with the Eagles on top 24-19.

While they were outshot from the field 19-18, the Eagles connected on 13 of 18 charity tosses whereas the Maroons could hit only five of 15. The Cavemen finished with a .351 average from the field, 19 of 54 attempts, while Adams hit an even 35 percent on 18 of 52 efforts.

Adams				Mishawalos			
	в	F	P		B	F	P
McKnight	1	5	1	Nagrane	1	1	1
Dairyko	з	0	0	Nelson	7	0	1
Butler	8	3	3	Luke	8	2	4
Clemmons	з	3	3	Willoughby	2	1	0
Moore	з	2	з	De Broka	0	0	1
				Taylor	1	1	з
				Minzey	0	0	0
TOTALS	18	13	10	TOTALS	19	5	10
Adams					24	41	49
Misbawaka.					19	24	43
Free thro	ws	mis	sed:	: Adams [3] -			
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### Penn

# Adams Cops 10<sup>th</sup>, Downs Penn Cagers

South Bend Tribune Sunday, January 10, 1960

The John Adams Eagles marched to an easy triumph over Penn High School. 64-46, in Saturday night basketball action. The high-flying Eagles now boast a 10-2 mid-season mark. The loss leaves Penn 5-8.

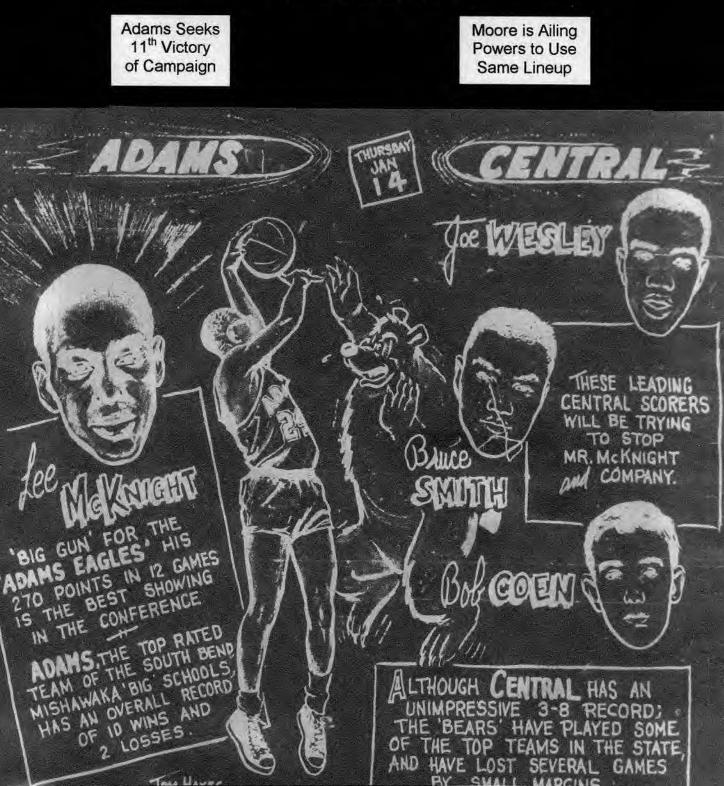
Sparked by Lee McKnight's 16, which is considerably below his usual high, the Eagles led throughout. Teammate Dick Clemmons dropped in 12 points and Sam Dairyko contributed 10.

Penn was led in scoring by Dick Besinger who had 12, followed by Charles Hartz and Bill Edgerton with 11 and 10.

Adamo				Penn			
	8	F	P		в	F	P
Moore	4	1	3	Sorgenfrel	1	5	5
McKnight	7	2	3	Wisser	1	0	1
Butler	0	7	3	Besinger	4	4	3
Clemmons	4	4	4	Hartz	3	5	4
Stricklen	1	1	1	Edgerton	4	2	3
Dairyko	5	0	2	Gunn	1	0	0
Johnson	1	2	2	Hoefle	0	2	4
Stout	1	0	2				
Levy	0	1	1				
Sink	0	0	1				
TOTALS	23	18	22	TOTALS	14	18	20
Adams					34	55	64
				[South Bend]	21 and	31	46

# **Bears Test Soaring Eagles**

South Bend Tribune Thursday, January 14, 1960



## Bears Test Soaring Eagles

South Bend Tribune Thursday, January 14, 1960

## Adams Seeks 11<sup>th</sup> Victory of Campaign

Can Adams end Central's fiveyear regular season domination over its city basketball brothers tonight?

Before the season started, the answer would have been a firm, "no."

But the Eagles, a pleasant surprise to Coach Warren Seaborg after 10 victories in 12 games, may have the weapons necessary to hand Central its ninth defeat tonight. The Bears have won three. Tipoff is at 8.

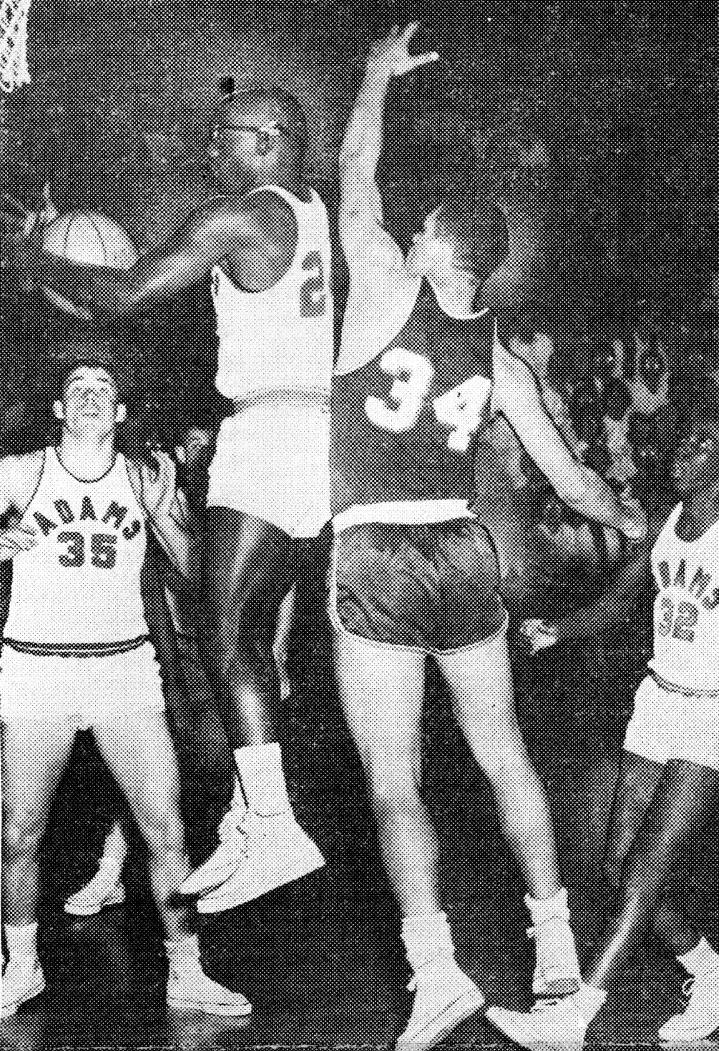
## Moore is Ailing Powers to Use Same Lineup

Adams hopes for victory have dimmed slightly with the report that regular guard Larry Moore is hobbling with an in-grown toenail. He has been undergoing treatment this week, and will be in the starting lineup "if he's able to walk at all," according to Seaborg.

Joining McKnight, Butler and Moore in the starting five will be forward Sam Dairyko and guard Dick Clemmons. If necessary, Seaborg can put more height into his lineup by inserting Dave Stout and Jack Johnson, both 6-4. Central's starting five is taller than is Adams, and the Bears are probably the better rebounders.

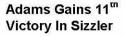
## Has Scored 100

Moore is Adams' No. 3 scorer with 100 points. Forward Lee McKnight is leading the Eagles' attack with 270 points in 12 games for a 22.5 average. Center Ed Butler has 164 points for a 13.6 average.



# McKnight's 35 Sinks Central Again

South Bend Tribune Friday, January 15, 1960



**By Forrest Miller** Tribune Sports Writer

Too much Lee McKnight! From a Central point of view this sums up the story of the Bears' 63-56 basketball loss to Adams Thursday night.

If you're an Adams fan, McKnight's 35-point scoring spree was only justice being done in a spectacular manner. Before Thursday Central had not lost a regular season game to a city foe in five years, and last night's triumph was only the third over the Bears for Adams Coach Warren Seaborg in 10 seasons on the job.

McKnight, a left-handed, 5foot-11 senior, boosted his season scoring figures to 305 points in 13 games. Adams has won 11 of these. The mark was a career high for McKnight, but was considerably short of the Adams gymnasium and school record of 48 set by Jerry Thompson in 1953.

### 21 In First Half

The Adams star had 21 points during a sparkling first half during which he hit nine of 14 shots. He finished with 13 of 27 from the field and nine of 12 at the free throw line before fouling out with four seconds to play.



Central had a miserable night from the field, and only some fancy free throw shooting prevented the game from becoming a rout. The Bears connected on only 14 of 60 shots, a 23 per cent average, but were accurate on 28 of 35 charity tosses while absorbing their ninth defeat in 12 games.



The victory boosted the Eagles to a 3-1 mark in the Eastern Division Northern Indiana Conference. The Bears, who have a Saturday night date at Adams against top-ranked Muncie Central, stand 2-2 in the ENIHSC. **Butler Scores 11** 

While McKnight was the scoring hero, approximately 3,200 Adams gymnasium fans saw a steady rebound performance by center Ed Butler and his replacement, Dave Stout.

Butler finished with 11 points and did a fine job under both boards. He drew his fourth foul with 45 seconds left in the first half and sat out the first 11 minutes of the second half.

Top scorer for Central was guard Bob Blohm, whose 20 points included 10 of 11 from the free throw line. Blohm's running mate at guard, Bob Coen, couldn't find the range from the field.

#### South Bend Tribune Friday, January 15, 1960



The Bears' leading scorer over the season, Coen, hit only one of 12 shots, but added eight of 11 free throws for 10 points. The Bears' front line of Bruce Smith, John West and Joe Wesley collected only 17 points.

Smith fouled out with 3:03 to play and Blohm departed with only 32 seconds left.

Two free throws by Blohm gave Central its only lead at 2-0. After ties at 2-2, 4-4 and 8-8, Adams collected a three-point play by McKnight and was in front to stay.

Early 24-9 Margin

McKnight led the way as Adams roared to a 24-9 advantage. For one period of seven minutes and eight seconds overlapping the first two periods, Central did not score from the field.

Coen and Blohm paced a Central rally that cut Adams' lead to two points, 31-29 and 33-31 late in the second period. Adams held a 39-31 halftime lead.

During the second half Adams never led by more than nine nor by fewer than five points. The Eagles finished with a 36 per cent shooting mark on 36 of 66 attempts, and hit 13 of 26 free throws.

Adams				Central			
	8	F	P		в	F	P
Dairyko	1	0	2	Smith	2	1	5
McKnight	13	9	5	West	1	2	2
Butler	4	3	4	Wesley	4	0	3
Clemmons	3	3	3	Coen	1	8	1
Moore	2	0	4	Blohm	5	10	5
Stricklen	0	0	1	Greene	1	4	1
Stout	1	0	2	Singleton	0	з	2
TOTALS	24	15	21	TOTALS	14	28	19
Adams					39	48	63
Central				8	31	41	56
Free thro	ws	mis	sed:	Adams [11]	-		
McKnight 3	3, B	utle	5,	Clemmons, M	loore	, Sto	ut.
Central [7]	1 - V	Vest	W	slev. Coen 3	Bic	hm.	

Greene,

Officials: Fee and Criswell [both of Monticello]



### Gary Roosevelt

# 98-Point Spree Routs Adams

Roosevelt Romps Over Host Eagles South Bend Tribune Thursday, January 21, 1960

McKnight Gets 27 Butler 21 for Losing Team

### **McKnight Hits 27**

#### By Forrest Miller

Tribune Sports Writer

Someone happening to pass the Adams High School gymnasium as the final gun sounded Wednesday night might have received the impression the Eagles had just scored a thrilling one-point victory.

The enthusiasm generated by the Adams fans inside was equal to such an event.

All the Eagles had really "accomplished" was escaping the humility of having 100 points scored against them. Gary Roosevelt missed three shots at the basket in the final minute and had to be content with a 98-64 rout of Adams.

The visiting Panthers, warming up for a Saturday night date at Gary with defending state champion Crispus Attucks, were in command of this one from the opening whistle.

### Nine of First 12

Hitting nine of their first 12 shots, 20 of 35 in the first half, and 42 of 83 (51 per cent) for the night, Roosevelt rolled to its 13<sup>th</sup> victory in 14 games. The state's No. 4 team was beaten by city rival Froebel in overtime.

Two Adams gymnasium high school records safely survived the battle. The combined score of 162 points missed by one of equaling the 163 total rolled up by Lakeville (87) and New Carlisle (76) in the first round of the 1956 sectional.

The 98 points scored by Roosevelt was the highest on record except for the 112 rolled up by Central's 1957 state champions in a 112-46 rout of Fort Wayne North, Feb. 16, 1957.

Six Roosevelt players scored in double figures, but Adams' one-two punch of Lee McKnight and Ed Butler both improved their averages. McKnight hit 27 and Butler 21. Loran Thompson led Gary with 22 while Mannie Newsome had 21. Both are 5-foot-11 guards who repeatedly darted around the Adams defenders for easy baskets.

The Panthers leaped to a 7-0 lead and held a 19-6 cushion late in the first quarter. Adams cut the game to 21-13 at the end of the period.

From a 21-17 margin early in the second quarter, Roosevelt hit 12 points without return and led 39-17 two minutes before halftime.

### **Fast Break Clicks**

A well-oiled fast break propelled the visitors to a 45-26 half time lead and to a 72-45 third quarter margin.

Adams often lost the ball without getting a shot. The Eagles hit 21 of 57 shots from the field – 37 per cent. Adams, 11-3 for the season, plays at LaPorte Friday.

Roosevel	t			Adams			
	6	F	۴		8	F	P
Williams	6	1	3	Dairyko	1	0	1
Triplett	6	0	2	McKnight	10	7	3
Jordan	5	2	4	Butler	8	5	3
Newsome	8	5	1	Clemmons	0	3	2
Thompson	10	2	1	Moore	3	7	4
Jones	0	0	1	Stricklen	0	0	1
Crump	3	4	4	Johnson	1	0	0
Clayton	0	0	1	Stout	0	o	0
Lacefield	0	o	1	Levy	0	0	1
Pierce	0	0	0				
Anderson	2	0	2				
Glover	2	o	0				
TOTALS	42	14	20	TOTALS	21	22	15
Roosevelt					45	72	96
					26	45	64
				Roosevelt [8			
Triplett 2,	Jon	lan,	New	some, Thom	psor	4.	
Adams [8]	- M	cKn	ight	3, Butler 2, 0	lem	mon	9/
Moore 2. Officials:	Ra	y Ne	me	th [South Ben	nd] a	nd	
<b>Carber Can</b>	ton	[EN	char	t].			



## Adams Trips Central

John Adams Tower Friday, January 22, 1960

The high-flying John Adams Eagles came up with their biggest win of the year, and their eleventh in thirteen outings this season, with a 63-56 conquest of the South Bend Central's Bears in a game played on the Adams home floor.

Central jumped off to an early 2-0 lead on a pair of free throws by Bob Blohm, but Adams immediately retaliated with two quick baskets by center Ed Butler to go ahead 4-2. The Bears managed to tie the score at 8-8 with about three minutes left in the first quarter. Buddy McKnight then connected on a three-point play to push the Eagles in front 11-8 and Central trailed thereafter.

After the Eagles had gained their largest advantage of the evening at 24-9, Central rallied to pull within two points at 33-31 late in the second period. But again McKnight was Mr. Johnny-on-the-spot for Adams, canning six straight points without return to send the Eagles to the dressing room with a 39-31 halftime lead.

Although Central cut the Adams lead to five points several times in the final stanza, fine teamwork on the part of the Eagles preserved the win. With four seconds remaining in the game and the win safely tucked away for Adams, McKnight was retired to the bench via his fifth personal foul.

McKnight led all scorers with 35 points and big Ed Butler followed with eleven markers. Blohm paced Central with 20 points.

## Adams Trips Central

John Adams Tower Friday, January 22, 1960



Coach Warren Seaborg and his Adams Eagles can be justly proud of themselves after their outstanding performance against Central's Bears. This marked the first time that an Adams team has beaten the Bears in nine seasons and the first time a city school has turned the trick in regular season action since Washington did it in 1955.

This was a great team victory for the Eagles. Dick Clemmons did an excellent job of running the offense from his guard post, Ed Butler and Larry Moore were towers of strength off the backboards before running into foul trouble, and Sam Dairyko did an outstanding defensive job on John West.

However, the real shining light was Buddy McKnight. The senior sensation played the best game of his four-year varsity career. He poured in 35 points, hitting 13 of 27 shots, 9 out of 14 in the first half, from the floor, and he rebounded superlatively.

Needless to say he is FROM AL'S selection as Eagle of the Week.... On numerous occasions it seemed that officials Bob Fee and Mauris Criswell made calls that caused the 3200 fans to violently disagree. Highlight of the unusual calls was a four-point play by McKnight. However, this was an excellent call. As McKnight was fouled well after hitting his shot and then was allowed to shoot the one and one.

A check of the records leads one to believe that Criswell is attempting to bring the technical foul back to basketball this season. He kept true-to form by whistling one last Thursday night.

## **High Flying Eagles to Visit LaPorte**

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John Adams Tower Friday, January 22, 1960

### Eagles Gather Five Wins in Seven Tries

The Adams Eagles, sparked by the fine all-around play of center Ed Butler, gained their ninth victory in eleven starts this year with a 49-43 win over the Mishawaka Cavemen. The game was played on January 8 in the Mishawaka gym.

The Eagles continued their winning ways with an easy 64-46 conquest of the Penn Kingsmen in a game played January 9 on Penn's home court.

During Christmas vacation the Eagles split even in four outings. On January 2 they traveled to Lyons Township High School of LaGrange, Illinois and handed the host school a 66-60 defeat.

In the Mishawaka Holiday Tournament on December 29 the Eagles lost to Middlebury's Middies 64-59 in the afternoon and beat Peru 72-64 at night. Michigan City also licked the Eagles on December 18 by a 65-59 count.

On December 14 the Eagles traveled to Nappanee and trounced the Bulldogs 75-40.

### Both Quintets Hold 3-1 ENIHSC Records

The cagers of Coach Warren Seaborg, currently riding a five-game winning streak, travel to LaPorte this evening to take on a rugged Slicer five. The teams are tied for second place in the ENIHSC with 3-1 marks. LaPorte is 9-3 for the season, while the Eagles are 11-2.

Bob Rensberger's Beagles also visit LaPorte tonight.

The frosh of Don Truex host St. Joseph on Tuesday and travel to Central on Thursday.

Coach Mo Aronson's matmen wind up their dual meet season as they host Riley Tuesday.

The Seagles under Bob Scannell are in action as they play host to Riley Monday night. LaPorte

# Michigan City Upset, Adams Triumphs

Eagles Grab First Place Tie: 60-57 South Bend Tribune Saturday, January 23, 1960

McKnight Scores 28 To Help Capture 12<sup>th</sup> Victory

The Tribune Sports Writer

**LAPORTE --** South Bend Adams rallied in the final half to rip LaPorte's Slicers, 60-57, in an Eastern Division Northern Indiana Conference high school basketball game here Friday night.

The triumph, coupled with Michigan City's surprise loss at Mishawaka, put the visiting Eagles in a tie for the ENIHSC lead with Michigan City. Both teams boast 4-1 conference records.

LaPorte's star junior center, 6-foot-4 Ron Reed, went out of the game after 40 seconds of the third quarter with a left knee injury. He was taken to Holy Family Hospital for treatment, and it appeared he would be absent from the line for two or three weeks.

### **Eagles Move Ahead**

Adams took the lead for keeps at 54-52 with 3:27 remaining on Ed Butler's field goal and marched to its 12<sup>th</sup> victory in 15 games.

Lee (Buddy) McKnight was again the strong man of the Adams attack, dropping in a dozen field goals and four free throws for 28 points. Butler contributed 15 and Mickey Stricklen added 11 as LaPorte fell to its fourth loss in 13 games and took its second defeat in five ENIHSC tilts.

The first half was a see-saw affair. The lead changed hands four times and the score was tied five times in the first quarter. LaPorte led all the way except for three deadlocks in the second. Both teams had identical shooting performances in the initial eight minutes, canning eight goals in 16 shots.

#### Widest Margin for Adams

Adams went ahead at 35-34 on a field goal and two free throws by McKnight in the third period and then built is biggest margin at 40-34. Dick Clemmons hit just as the third period ended to give Adams a 48-45 edge going into the last quarter.

The score was tied at 48-all, 50-all and 52-52 before Butler's basket nudged Adams in front. Between them Clemmons and Butler bagged four free throws to make it 58-52 with 1:16 left. Bruce Wilkinson got LaPorte's last five points on a pair of goals and gift toss.

Wilkinson topped LaPorte scoring with 21 points. Bill Slaughter contributed another 11.

Adams made it a clean sweep winning the preliminary game between the reserve teams, 45-35.

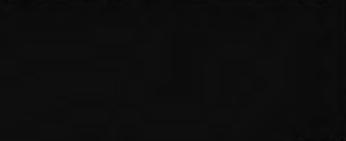
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## Eagle Cagers Whip Rugged Slicer Five

John Adams Tower Friday, January 29, 1960

Buddy McKnight, Mickey Stricklen, and Ed Butler paced a secondhalf upsurge that enabled the John Adams Eagles to defeat a rugged La-Porte Slicer five 60-57 at the LaPorte Civic Auditorium last Friday night. The win, coupled with Mishawaka's conquest of Michigan City, moved the Eagles into a tie for first spot in the conference. The Eagles are now 4-1 in loop action and 12-3 overall.

McKnight pumped in ten points and Stricklen contributed seven more as the South Benders roared from a 33-29 halftime deficit to a 48-45 third-quarter advantage.



Butler scored six markers in the last three minutes and fifty-seven seconds, including the winning basket with 3:29 remaining in the contest that gave Adams a 54-52 lead. This bucket and a pair of free throws by the Eagle center sandwiched around two charity flips by Dick Clemmons made the Eagle advantage an insurmountable 58-52 with only 1:17 left in the contest.

The game was tied eight times in the first half before the Slicers broke away to their four-point lead at the intermission. LaPorte also led 20-19 at the first stop.

McKnight led all scorers for the evening with 28 points followed by LaPorte's Bruce Wilkinson with 21. Butler contributed 15 to the Eagle attack, while Stricklen scored 11, inincluding five of five from the field.

## Gary Roosevelt

## **Powerful Gary Team Hands Eagles Loss**

The John Adams Eagles suffered their third loss of the season last Wednesday night, January 20, via a 98-64 trouncing at the hands of the Gary Roosevelt Panthers.

The Eagles simply could not match the speed and deception of the visitors from the steel city and trailed throughout the entire game. The nearest that Adams could come was a 19-13 deficit near the end of the first quarter. John Thompson and Emanuel Newsome led the Gary attack with 23 and 20 points respectively. Buddy Mc-Knight had 27 for Adams and Ed Butler followed with 21 markers.