

Eagles Seek Sectional Success

John Adams Tower
Friday, February 19, 1960

Adams vs. Lakeville In Sectional Play

Hoosier Hysteria, the magical term which describes all basketball fans in Indiana during the weeks of the sectional, regional, semi-final, and state championship games, is again making an appearance. Even as teams throughout the state are finishing their regular playing seasons, fans, team members, and coaches are looking forward to the state-wide competition.

Sectional ticket applications were available on February 15, 16, and 17. Receipts were then issued. The actual tickets will be available on February 22. Season ticket holders have first preference for tourney tickets.

The Eagles are pitted against Lakeville's Trojans in the lower bracket action of the first round of the Mishawaka Sectional Tournament next Thursday. The pairings were drawn last Wednesday morning.

Mishawaka's Cavemen are rated as the most likely stumbling block for the Eagles. Other teams given a chance to claim all the marbles next Saturday night are St. Joe, Central, Riley and Washington. At present no county team looks as if it may cause much trouble for any of the "big six."

Here is a short sketch of the regular season accomplishments of the six teams considered as threats for the title.

ADAMS: The Eagles have compiled a 16-3 season's mark and a 7-1 ENIHSC record with one game remaining. They have clinched at least a share of the conference title and have defeated every team that participates in the Mishawaka Sectional that is on their schedule. Led by Buddy McKnight and Ed Butler, Coach Warren Seaborg's crew has been rated with the state's best all season long.

MISHAWAKA: Bob Smith's Cavemen, the fastest improving team in the Sectional, have won 13 times in 19 games. Although the Maroons seldom score more than fifty points in any game, a tight zone defense has enabled them to walk off with many low scoring victories, including a 49-43 win over rugged Michigan City.

ST. JOSEPH: The Indians are currently riding on a 15-5 record. However, this is deceiving as many wins have come against county teams.

CENTRAL: The 7-12 ledger of Jimmy Powers' quintet has come from competition with the best teams in the state. In spite of their impressive record, the Bears seem to be reaching their peak as tourney time rolls around.

RILEY: The Wildcats are 9-10 on the season. They are the pesky type of team that is capable of giving any team trouble on any given night.

WASHINGTON: The Panthers, although only 5-14 for the year, have a wealth of natural talent. If they begin to live up to their potential, they could cause much trouble in the Sectional.

The winner of the Mishawaka Sectional will advance to the Elkhart Regional and if successful there, to the Fort Wayne Semi-State. The Fort Wayne winner will participate in the State Finals at Butler Field House in Indianapolis.

Sectional Pairings

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Riley

Central

Madison

No. Liberty

New Carlisle

Washington

St. Joseph

Greene Twp.

Adams

Lakeville

Wash.-Clay

Mishawaka

White's 34 Paces Romp By Indians

St. Joseph Senior Captures City Crown

**South Bend Tribune
Saturday, February 20, 1960**

By Tod Oliver

Tribune Sports Writer

A fired up St. Joseph's High School basketball team used a tremendous 27-point third quarter outburst and a 34-point effort by Dave White to overrun Holland. Mich., Christian Friday night, 80-63, at St. Joseph's.

The Indians led by only eight points 31-23 at the half, but hit 11 of their first 14 shots in the third period and ran the margin to 21 points before the end of the quarter. White dropped seven of nine shots in St. Joseph's torrid third. Twelve straight points during a three minute period helped.

Holland Christian had 4 players in double figures in a well-balanced scoring attack, but the Maroons missed 17 of 36 free throws. Tom Hess was St. Joseph's only other major scorer with 17 points.

St. Joseph's, which will carry a 15-5 record into next week's sectional, shot nearly twice as many times as Christian (72-38). The Indians hit 32 of their shots (44 per cent), 12 from right under the basket.

White's 34 points gives the 6-2 senior 491 for the 20-game season and the South Bend city scoring title.

White trailed Adams' Lee McKnight by one point going into last night's action, but outscored the Eagle ace by five in the regular season finales.

White received a standing ovation when he left the game late in the fourth period. He was mobbed by enthusiastic fans and carried off the floor after the contest.

Eagles Come From 12 Points Behind To Nip North In 69-64 Thriller For Title

*John Adams Tower
Friday, February 26, 1960*

For the first time in their 20 years of basketball history, the Eagles of South Bend Adams reign as champion of the ENIHSC. By virtue of their 59-64 thrill-packed victory at Fort Wayne North Side last Friday evening, Coach Warren Seaborg's charges wind up their campaign with an 8-1 league ledger, one game better than that of second-place Michigan City.

The Adams roundballers completed their most successful overall season with a 17-3 slate while Coach By Hey's Redskins finish with a 9-11 mark for the year and a 3-6 conference slate.

Larry Moore stuffed home a rebound shot with 2:23 remaining of play to break a 60-60 tie and give the South Benders a lead that they never relinquished. A free throw by Dick Clemmons expanded the margin to three points, but a bucket by Ron Cummings sliced the advantage to 63-62. After Buddy McKnight added a charity toss, Clemmons scored the biggest two points of the night, a beautiful driving layup to push the difference back up to four points. Ed Butler's two free flips with 23 seconds left put the game on ice.

After the Eagles jumped off to a 3-0 lead in the opening seconds of action, North poured in 15 points without a return to take a 15-3 advantage. From the time that Sam Dairyko dropped in a jumper with 1:05 to play in quarter number one, the ENIHSC champions were unable to hit the scoreboard.

As the second period began McKnight caught fire and so did the Eagles. The senior forward's three-point play put the Eagles on top for the second time in the game at 27-26 with 54 seconds remaining in the half, and the South Benders, who hit 9 of 14 shots in the second period, held on to a 29-28 superiority at the intermission.

North raced to a 36-31 margin at the outset of the third stanza. At this point big Dave Stout was inserted into the Adams lineup and with Stout rebounding well and McKnight and Butler doing the brunt of the scoring the Eagles recovered to take a 48-44 advantage going into the final eight minutes.

With 6:18 to play the Eagles upped the count to 56-48. But with Larry Soucie leading the way North kept pecking away at the lead until Soucie's bucket tied the count at 60 all with 2:45 left.

All in all the score was knotted seven times, and the lead changed hands on 12 occasions.

Buddy McKnight, playing a brilliant all-around game, led the Eagles with 29 markers. Butler followed with 20, and Clemmons contributed 10 to the Adams attack. Jim Lang had 15, Ron Latham 14, and Cummings 12 for North Side.

Adams Cagers Claim First ENIHSC Crown

John Adams Tower
Friday, February 26, 1960

The 1959-60 Eagles have set just about every team record for an Adams team that they possibly can. When they defeated Fort Wayne North Side last Friday, they won the first ENIHSC championship that an Adams team has won. Never before in the 19 years of Adams round-ball teams has an Eagle team finished higher than second. It stands to reason that the 8-1 conference record established by the Eagles is also a new Adams mark. Their overall season's record of 17-3 sets two more records and ties another. This represents the best record of an Adams quintet and the greatest number of wins during any Adams season. The 17 wins also ties the most wins by any Adams team, tournament included. This latter record was probably broken by the Eagles yesterday. (The TOWER went to press Wednesday morning.) . . . However, there are two more records that the Eagles would like to break and could break by winning the Regional. These are the longest winning streak by an Adams team and the farthest that an Adams team has advanced in the tournament. The previous longest winning streak is eight games and the Eagles are currently riding a six game streak. No Adams team has ever won a Regional.



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The Eagles had several outstanding performances in the great team victory at Fort Wayne. Buddy McKnight was outstanding, scoring 29 points, playing well defensively, and passing beautifully. In fact McKnight's pass to Dick Clemmons for a layup on the end of a fast break was one of the prettiest seen this year. Clemmons also did an excellent job of running the offense from his guard post and contributed 10 points. Ed Butler scored 20 points and played well during the final period to help spur the Eagles on to the win. Dave Stout came off the bench in the third period and did a tremendous job of rebounding when it was greatly needed.

Lakeville
Sectional Tournament

Adams – Lakeville

82-57

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Had Coaches Irvin Pratt of Lakeville or Warren Seaborg of Adams elected to leave their respective scoring stars, Roland Miller and Lee McKnight, in the game all the way, either or both may have set a tourney individual record.

Miller scored 32 before retiring with 1:05 to go. McKnight had 31 when he went out with 1:45 in play. The individual mark for a Mishawaka sectional, set last year by Dave White of St. Joseph's, is 33. Don Schlundt scored 37 for Washington-Clay in the South Bend sectional of 1951.

Sam Dairyko and Larry Moore helped Adams with 16 points each. Gary Modlin had 11 for Lakeville, which closed its season with a 15-7 record. Miller's 32 included 12 of 13 from the free throw line.

The Trojans trailed only 46-38 late in the third quarter before fading out of contention. They had held their only lead at 8-5 in the first quarter.

Adams' 29-point fourth quarter was a Mishawaka tournament record, bettering the 28 set by Washington Wednesday. The Eagles 82 points also topped by one the team scoring mark set by Central last year.

Adams hit 42 per cent from the field, 34 of 82, while Lakeville's 16 of 53 was good for 30 per cent.



Adams				Lakeville			
	B	F	P		B	F	P
Dairyko	7	2	2	Patrick	0	2	4
McKnight	13	5	4	Gregg	1	0	3
Butler	4	2	4	Modlin	3	5	0
Clemmons	2	1	4	Miller	10	12	3
Moore	7	2	3	Heckaman	1	0	4
Stricklen	0	0	2	Fuchs	1	1	1
Stout	1	1	1	Peters	0	0	0
Levy	0	0	0	Worm	0	0	1
Sink	0	0	0	Workman	0	0	0
Johnson	0	1	1	Annra	0	0	0
TOTALS	34	14	21	TOTALS	16	20	16
Adams	.....15			32	53	82	
Lakeville	.....12			20	41	57	

Free throws missed: Adams [8] - McKnight 3, Butler 2, Clemmons, Stout, Sink, Johnson. Lakeville [10] - Gregg 3, Modlin 4, Miller, Heckaman, Fuchs.

Officials: Stan Dubis [East Chicago] and Bill Larkin [Winamac].

There's Defense Too – Ed Butler of Adams politely blocks a shot attempt by Lakeville's Gary Modlin during Thursday's first game in the Mishawaka sectional basketball tournament. Watching are Dave Gregg of Lakeville (54), Lee McKnight of Adams (24) and Sam Dairyko of Adams (32). Adams won 82-57. Photos by Tribune Staff Photographer

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Photos by Tribune Staff Photographer

"It has its shortcomings though," admits Smith. "When we converge on one man, it leaves the center open. Ed Butler of Adams scored 19 points and that beat us."

Adams				Mishawaka			
	B	F	P		B	F	P
Dairyko	6	0	2	Magrane	3	1	0
McKnight	4	1	3	Nelson	1	1	0
Butler	9	2	3	Luke	3	2	3
Clemmons	2	0	1	De Broka	2	1	2
Moore	5	0	0	Willoughby	1	1	0
Stricklen	0	0	0	Yaw	1	4	0
Stout	0	0	4	Banzle	0	0	0
Levy	0	0	0	Taylor	0	0	0
Sink	0	0	0	Boulanger	1	0	0
Johnson	0	0	0	Minzey	0	0	0
TOTALS	26	3	13	TOTALS	12	10	5

Adams10 28 42 55
 Mishawaka11 22 24 34

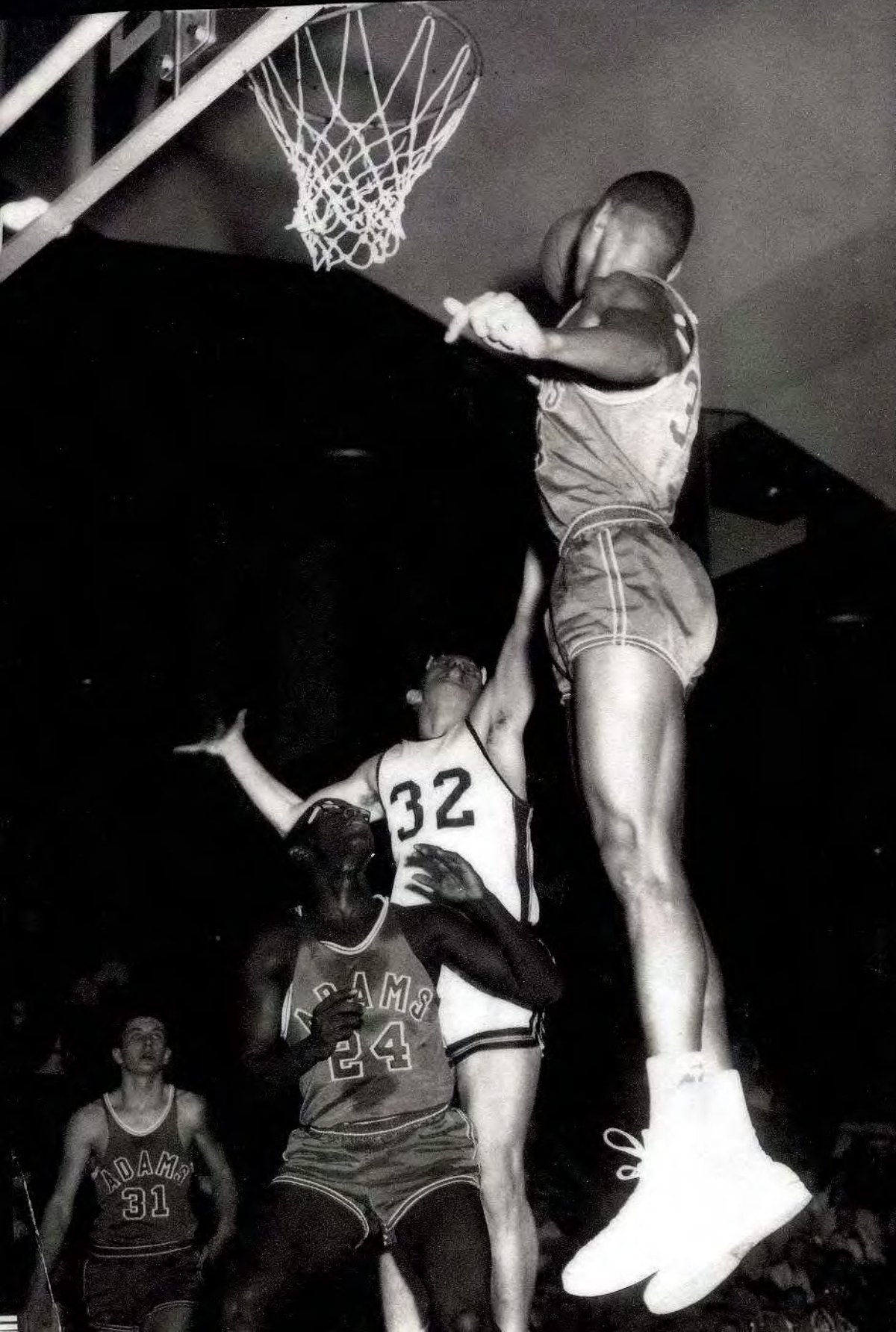
Free throws missed: Adams [4] - Moore 2,
 Sink 2. Mishawaka [12] - Magrane, Nelson 5,
 DeBroka, Willoughby 2, Yaw 2, Boulanger.

Officials: Stan Dubis (East Chicago) and Bill
 Larkin (Winamac).

Lakeville - Sectionals



Mishawaka - Sectionals



South Bend Teams Await Semifinals

Mishawaka and County Quintets Out

Adams, St. Joseph's Gain Saturday Round of Four

South Bend Tribune

Friday, February 26, 1960

By Forrest Miller

Tribune Sports Writer

Mishawaka's Saturday sectional semifinal is again a South Bend affair.

Favored Adams Thursday blazed to two easy victories and St. Joseph's routed Greene to complete the lower bracket semifinal. The Eagles and Indians meet Saturday afternoon after Wednesday's upper bracket survivors, Central and Washington, clash at 1 o'clock. Winners will battle it out at 8:15 for a berth in the Elkhart regional tournament.

The same four teams made up last year's semifinal games, although they were paired differently. Usually Mishawaka or one of the St. Joseph County teams make it to the semifinals.

Central and Adams own regular season victories over their Saturday opponents, the Bears by 71-55 over Washington and Adams by 65-53 over St. Joseph's.

Adams had no trouble winning its 18th and 19th victories Thursday. The Eagles bombed St. Joseph County champion Lakeville, 85-52, in the afternoon, then returned to blast the host Maroons out of the tournament, 55-34, at night.

St. Joseph's shellacked Greene, 73-29, in the Thursday night opener.

Adams, Bears Favored Fives

Mishawaka Meet Finale Begins At 8:15

***South Bend Tribune
Saturday, February 27, 1960***

By Forrest Miller

Tribune Sports Writer

Defending champion Central and current favorite Adams were choices to repeat regular season victories over city rivals Washington and St. Joseph's respectively this afternoon in the Mishawaka sectional basketball tournament semifinals.

The championship game tonight will start at 8:15 with the winner meeting the Columbia City sectional winner in the opening game of the Elkhart regional next Saturday.

Central is seeking its fifth sectional championship in seven years. Since 1953 the Bears have monopolized the championship picture. Mishawaka, out of the running this year, won in 1955, and Adams took the crown in 1958. That title was only Adams' second in history.

No Title Since '38

Washington has not won a sectional title since 1938 while St. Joseph's, a comparative new school, has never gained a regional berth. The Indians were favored in 1958, but lost the deciding game to Adams.

Central gained its semifinal berth by defeating Riley Wednesday. Washington advanced with a pair of victories over St. Joseph County teams - New Carlisle and North Liberty.

Adams routed Lakeville and Mishawaka on Thursday while St. Joseph's advanced with an easy victory over Greene Twp.

St. Joseph
Sectional Tournament

Favored Adams Ousted by St. Joseph In 53-51 Thriller

Central Tops Panthers

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Sunday, February 28, 1960

Finish with 19-4 Mark

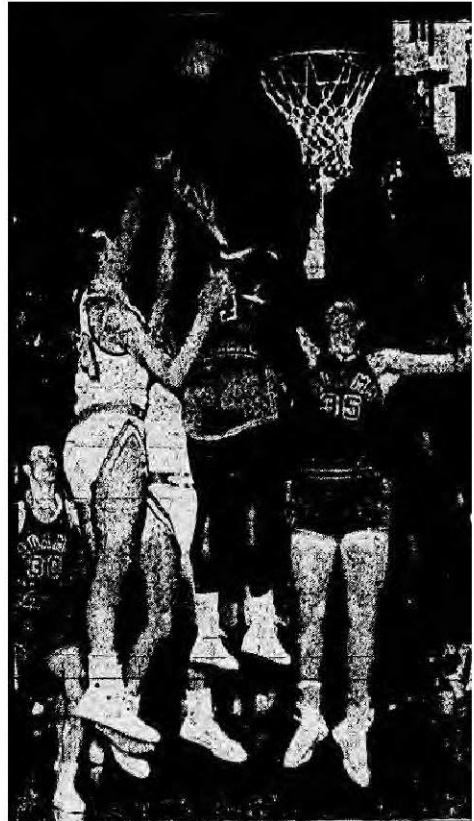
Adams, which closed its season with a 19-4 record, hit 18 of 58 shots for 31 per cent. St. Joseph's 19 of 58 was good for 33 per cent.

McKnight scored 27, including nine of 13 free throws, in his high school basketball finale. Dave White, playing with two fingers taped, hit 25. White cut his fingers on the backboard during Thursday's victory over Greene Twp.

St. Joseph's				Adams			
	B	F	P		B	F	P
Hess	2	6	5	Dairyko	0	0	0
T. White	4	3	2	McKnight	9	9	2
O'Meara	0	5	2	Butler	0	3	4
Schneider	0	0	1	Clemmons	3	0	3
D. White	12	1	3	Moore	6	1	5
Papai	1	0	3	Stricklen	0	0	0
Buyse	0	0	0	Stout	0	0	1
Kintz	0	0	2	Johnson	0	2	1
TOTALS	19	15	18	TOTALS	18	15	16
St. Joseph's	.....14				24	38	53
Adams	.....11				24	34	51

Free throws missed: St. Joseph's [8] - T. White 4, O'Meara, Schneider, D. White 2, Adams [13] - Dairyko 2, McKnight 4, Butler 2, Clemmons 2, Moore, Johnson 2.

Officials: James Buckley [Whiting] and Stan Dubis [East Chicago]



How About That, Ref? Buddy McKnight of Adams has a grasp on wrist of St. Joseph's Al Papai during a rebound battle in the Mishawaka sectional tournament semifinals Saturday afternoon. No. 35 is Dave Stout of Adams. St. Joseph's upset the Eagles, 53-51, and earned the right to meet Central Saturday night.

Photo by Tribune Staff Photographer

**St. Joseph
Sectional Tournament**

Favored Adams Ousted by St. Joseph In 53-51 Thriller

Central Tops Panthers

**South Bend Tribune
Sunday, February 28, 1960**

Tied at 44-44

By Forrest Miller
Tribune Sports Writer

Two free throws by Tom Hess and a typical 17-foot jump shot by Dave White in the final minute boosted St. Joseph's to a 53-51 upset over favored Adams Saturday afternoon in the Mishawaka sectional basketball tournament semifinals.

Sophomore reserve Calvin Edwards, recently promoted from the B team, pumped in four second half field goals as Central ousted Washington, 63-52, in the afternoon opener.

Adams, which had whipped the Indians without too much trouble during the regular season, got off on the wrong foot and was faced with an uphill battle.

St. Joseph's blazed to a quick 8-1 lead, was in front, 12-4, late in the first quarter. It was an uphill battle nearly the rest of the way for Adams. The Eagles pulled even for the first time, 24-24, when Buddy McKnight dropped in two free throws only a second before the first half ended.

A free throw and field goal by Larry Moore nudged Adams in front, 27-26, early in the third quarter. St. Joseph's tied it at 29-all, and took the lead for good on one of Dave White's jumpers with 4:09 to play.

With 3:42 remaining two more free throws by McKnight pulled Adams even again, 44-44. Tom White then dropped in two baskets, one a tip-in, to push St. Joseph's in front, 48-41.

Larry Moore hit a 10-footer with 1:27 to go. Dick Clemmons was fouled, missed the free throw, but McKnight tipped it in for a 48-48 tie with 56 seconds left.

McKnight was called for charging on the tip-in and Hess hit two big free throws with 52 seconds to go. Moore missed two shots at the basket before St. Joe regained possession. White's 12th field goal gave the Indians a 52-48 cushion with 33 seconds left.

Moore again pumped in one of his favorite 10-footers and it was 52-50 with 17 seconds remaining. With only two seconds left Hess drew his fifth foul, and Ed Butler stepped to the free throw line with a one-and-one.

He hit the first but missed the second which would have tied the score. Moore fouled Dave White as the final gun sounded and after several minutes of looking for White and a basketball, the St. Joseph's senior scored the meaningless 53rd point.

Sideline Slants

*South Bend Tribune
Wednesday, March 2, 1960*

Saturday was Warren Seaborg's 39th birthday and a sectional title would have been the best present the Adams coach could have received.

Some inconsiderate fans were unhappy with Ed Butler, the 6 foot 4 inch senior center who missed a free throw with two seconds to play. Butler could have tied the game against St. Joseph's.

Butler was only one member of the Adams squad that picked a poor time to play a bad game. The Eagles made too many mistakes to win.

At least one coach, Bob Smith of Mishawaka, had a real compliment for Butler after the Eagles had whipped Mishawaka Thursday night.

"If it hadn't been for Butler, we would have beaten you. That boy is really tough," Smith told his good friend Seaborg in the Adams dressing room after the game.

The Maroons twice proved they were able to cope with Eagle scoring star Buddy McKnight. During a regular season game McKnight hit one of 15 shots and added five free throws for seven points. But Butler's 19 pulled Adams to victory.

Thursday McKnight hit four of 22 shots plus one free throw for nine points. Butler scored 20 and was tremendous on the backboards.

While Saturday afternoon marked a disappointing climax to Seaborg's best season in 10 at Adams, a 19-4 record far exceeded pre-season expectations of anyone.



*Lakeville, Mishawaka
Sectional Tournament*

Eagles Trounce Lakeville, Mishawaka

Lakeville

Adams High's Eagles began their quest for their third sectional basketball title in history with an 82-52 triumph over Lakeville's Trojans, last Thursday afternoon, February 25.

*John Adams Tower
Friday, March 4, 1960*

As expected, a tight scoring duel took place between Roland Miller of Lakeville and Buddy McKnight of Adams with Miller winding up on top 32-31. Sam Dairyko canned 16 points and played an outstanding all around game for the Eagles.

Both teams had difficulty finding the scoring range early in the game, but Adams managed a 33-28 lead by halftime, and ran its margin to 53-41 at the third stop, before turning the game into a rout in the final stanza.

Mishawaka

In the second afternoon game, Mishawaka barely edged out a win over a stubborn and very determined Washington-Clay team by a 39-37.

St. Joseph's trampled Greene 73-29 in the first evening game.

Adams followed with a 55-34 conquest of Mishawaka. The Cavemen managed to hold the high-scoring McKnight to nine points, but could not stop Ed Butler and Dairyko, who took up the slack with 20 and 12 markers respectively for Adams. Both were also demons off the backboards throughout the contest. Also outstanding for the Eagles were Larry Moore, who scored 10 points, and Dick Clemmons, who played a good, steady game while directing the attack from his guard post.

Mishawaka started fast by jumping off to a 5-0 lead and led 11-6 with about 1:00 left in the first quarter. However, two baskets by Butler closed the gap to 11-10 at the end of that stanza.

Adams quickly poured ten straight points through the nets at the outset of the second period to gain a commanding 20-11 lead. The Cavemen soon staged a rally sparked by George Luke's three buckets, and pulled to within six points of the Eagles at 28-22 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Adams, paced by three buckets apiece by Dairyko and Moore, outscored the tourney hosts 14-2 as they widened their lead to 42-24. The onslaught continued in the final stanza until, with 3:54 remaining, Coach Warren Seaborg cleared his bench.



St. Joe Tips Adams Wins Tourney Title

John Adams Tower
Friday, March 4, 1960



St. Joseph's Indians reign as 1960 Mishawaka Sectional Titleists by virtue of their 58-52 conquest of Central, Saturday night.

The Adams Eagles were ousted from the Mishawaka Sectional Tourney, Saturday afternoon, by a St. Joseph's team whom they had beaten without too much trouble earlier in the season. The 53-51 score truly indicates the closeness of the contest as the Eagles threatened throughout the entire game but could never build up a lead of any consequence.

The Eagles could not find the scoring range early in the game and were hurt further when center Ed Butler was forced to sit out a good portion of the contest with four personal fouls. Buddy McKnight, however, played his usual fine game while tallying 27 points in his final appearance in an Adams uniform. Dave White led the St. Joseph's attack with 25 points.

The Indians jumped off to a 12-4 lead in the first quarter and led 14-10 at the first stop. Adams tied the score at 24-all by halftime, and took a 29-28 lead early in the third stanza on a basket by McKnight only to have St. Joseph's move to a 38-34 advantage at the end of that period.

St. Joe moved to an eight-point margin in the final eight minutes, but the Eagles fought back to tie the score at 48-48 late in the game. Two free throws by Tom Hess and a field goal by Dave White gave the Indians a 52-48 lead. Larry Moore then scored for Adams to make the score 52-50. Hess fouled Butler with two seconds remaining to be played. The senior center hit his first attempt but missed the second and the Eagles went down to their fourth defeat in twenty-three starts.

South Bend Central advanced into the championship game by defeating Washington 63-52 in the afternoon.

Greatest Adams Five Ends With 19-4 Mark

John Adams Tower
Friday, March 4, 1960



A GREAT Adams team was knocked out of the Indiana State Basketball Tournament. This was an Eagle team made up of fine young men who performed well not only on the basketball court, but also, as a whole, off the court. They were eleven gentlemen who reflected the excellent guidance and example afforded them by Coach Warren Seaborg. But, as happens to all teams, good or bad, the Eagles had an off day against St. Joseph's Indians. However, in spite of the fact that Adams came out on the short end of a 53-51 count, each of the eight Eagles who participated in the contest put everything that they had into their play, and **no more** can be asked of any athletic team or performer. Possibly the one characteristic that made the 1960 Eagles so outstanding was the fact that they played and acted as a team. Never was there a bit of the dissension that can spell ruin for any team because one player wants to outshine the rest. As on any team each of the five starters had a specific task to undertake. At one forward was Buddy McKnight. He was the team's leading scorer, finishing with 554 points and a 24.1 average per game. But in addition to his point-producing, McKnight was also a key rebounder and a brilliant passer. The four-year star at Adams had an excellent attitude toward basketball. He played the

sport because he loved it, and never once could be seen disputing a call of an official or displaying any sign of a temper on the court. At the other forward was Sam Dairyko. Dairyko was the team's best defensive man and usually drew the assignment of guarding the top scorer on the opposing team. Two of Dairyko's best performances came against John West of Central and Jerry Burkhart of Washington. Big Ed Butler held down the center position. Butler was the second leading scorer, an excellent shooter, a brilliant rebounder, a good passer, and a top-flight defender as he blossomed into a full-fledged star in one season of varsity competition. But more important than his playing ability was the fact that Butler was a gentleman every second that he was on the playing floor. Manning one guard post was Larry Moore. He was the third leading scorer and was an outstanding rebounder in spite of the fact that he played a backcourt position. At the other guard position was Dick Clemmons, a greatly underrated ballplayer. Clemmons was the "take charge guy" of the Eagle attack, running the offense from his outcourt spot. An excellent passer and a fine ball-handler, he led the team in assists and was constantly called upon to break the opposition's pressing defense with his dribbling ability.

Eagles Revise Adams Cage Record Book

John Adams Tower
Friday, March 11, 1960

Adams High's Eagles have completed a record breaking season. Coach Warren Seaborg's charges smashed almost every existing team record at Adams and many individual marks.

The cagers compiled a season's record of 19-4, the best in the school's history. The 19 wins were also the most by an Adams team in a single campaign.

There were two big events that highlighted the season. First, was the 63-56 conquest of Central's Bears. This marked the first time in nine years that an Adams cage team had defeated Central. A second and perhaps a greater highlight was the winning of the ENIHSC title. This marked the first time in the history of Adams basketball that an Eagle quintet has won the conference.

Another first was recorded by the Eagles this season. Never before had an Adams team defeated all five of its twin-city rivals in one campaign.

Buddy McKnight was the team's leading point producer. The senior forward countered 554 points in the 21 games for an average of 24.1 per game. McKnight also reigned as the 1960 ENIHSC scoring champion with a league average of 24.5. In his four years at Adams, McKnight amassed a record total of points scored in a career.



As a team, the Eagles shot an excellent 40% from the floor. Big Ed Butler set a school record for field goal accuracy in one season as he connected on 55% of his field goal attempts. Also shooting excellent percentages for the Eagles were Sam Dairyko at 43% and McKnight at 40%.

From the foul line, the Eagles connected on 60% of their attempts. McKnight was the most accurate foul shooter, hitting 70%. Also hitting a high percentage of foul tosses were Butler at 64% and Dick Clemmons at 62%.

Another interesting statistic is the number of errors each player committed. Dairyko proved to be the starting five with the surest hands. He made only 17 errors. Butler and Moore were next in line with 36 errors apiece.

Butler led the squad in rebounds with 160. He was followed by McKnight with 126 and Larry Moore with 103.

Adams Cagers Admire Trophy Spoils

South Bend Tribune
Wednesday, March 30, 1960



These three Adams High School basketball stars admire their individual trophies following their highly successful 19-4 season. The large trophy on the table is the Eastern Division Northern Indiana Conference championship award. Left to right are Buddy McKnight, winner of the most valuable player award and the free throw awards; Ed Butler, Kiwanis Award winner and Dick Clemmons who was selected captain for the season just ended by Coach Warren Seaborg's players.