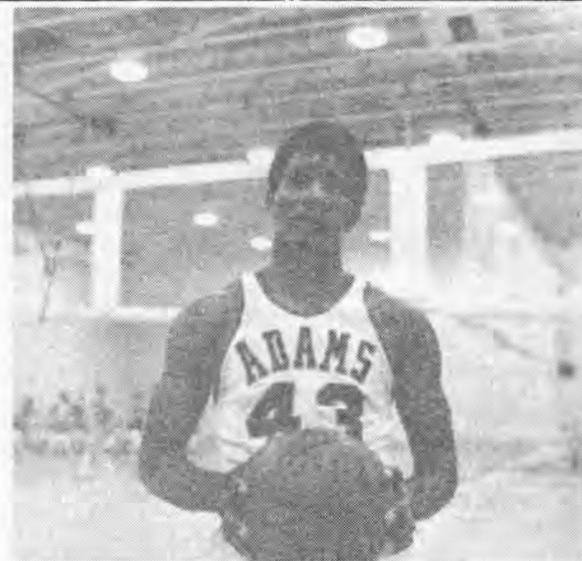
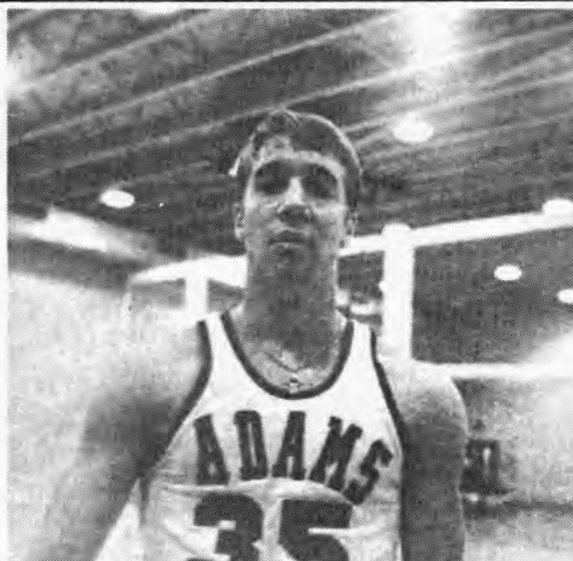
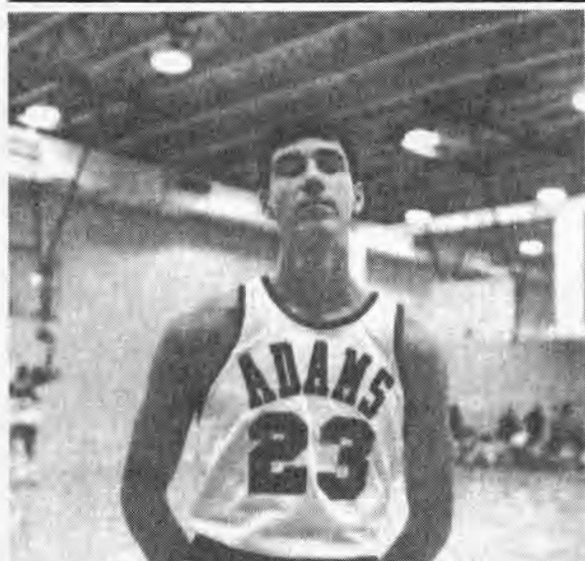


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Lettermen for the 1969-70 Adams basketball season are, left to right, Timm Barnbrook, Tom Ehlers, and John Alexander.

Hadaway Tunes Up Eagles

Hadaway Head Coach, Eagle 5 Faces

The Basketball Scene

By Jim Siberell

If any Indiana athletic teams in the past several years have shown any pre-season symptoms for success, certainly the Adams Eagles have in 1969. An undefeated B team of sophomores are all fighting for varsity positions as juniors, while several seniors are competing in their "now or never" final year of eligibility. There were also several "trees" (players six feet and up) who attempted to break into the lineup after the football season ended. Overall, the personnel situation is rosy, but the Eagles have plenty of sideline support from a new head coach, Dave Hadaway.

Coach Hadaway has been involved in South Bend basketball since 1959 when he coached German Junior High. He also spent four years at Greene Township High and one season at Lakeville as the assistant basketball coach, before coming to Adams. At the B team level, he "enjoyed watching kids work at something, in disciplining themselves, learning fundamentals, and being better citizens." Concerning his appointment after Don Barnbrook's resignation last year, Mr. Hadaway says he was "elated at his selection," and believes that Adams has "the best people to work with anywhere."

There has been much conjecture in past weeks about how good the '69 Eagle is in comparison to other schools. Coach Hadaway is probably doing some pre-season dreaming, too. But if he is, he's not dreaming aloud because, as he pointed out to this reporter, other teams may pick up the giant killer role and then "boom!"

However, he stated that "taking the whole corporation into account, South Bend basketball has been down the last two or three years. This year the quality will be improved," and the city should have "3, 4, or 5 good ball clubs."

Coach Hadaway has created guidelines for Adams basketball success in 1969 and in future years. Prior to the opening of the October 7 practice, he had encouraged the kids to get into shape, particularly over the summer. "They have worked hard all summer--hard work on their own...I am proud of their dedication." The long range goals involve "building interest in the lower level" of basketball, primarily in the junior high and elementary schools in the John Adams district. The coaching department has arranged visits and clinics to these schools to help Adams in the sport by "building from the grass roots."

In an interview, he stressed the importance of enthusiasm in basketball. Coach Hadaway said that the enthusiasm by "all the kids out" geared the Eagles to the "right track of enjoying and improving basketball." But he also emphasized the significance of student support. The success of the Adams team this year is "predicated on the way the student body supports us." From the response to the new year from the coach, players, and students, this season could be the Year of the Eagle.

Editor's note--Dick Wilson, a feature writer for the Tower, will predict the outcome of each Adams game. Throughout the season, he will also give the students a variety in his column by having guests pick the winners.

The time is here that seventy-five percent of the student body has been waiting for since last year: the basketball season. From the tip-off against St. Joe until the final game is over, the Eagles will have one thing in mind. That will be a trip to Hinkle Fieldhouse in March. Whether Hadaway & Co. reach this objective or not, it almost a sure thing that the Eagles will put up a whale of a battle for the sectional and N. I. C. titles.

Next Wednesday, the St. Joe Indians will visit the Adams gym and expect to win their third consecutive sectional crown starting with a win over the Eagles. But the 1969 champs are in for a surprise: a possible first loss to Adams. The Indians have about half of last year's team returning, but graduation hit their ranks hard. Although St. Joe will not have a Dennig or a Fredlake, they will be tough. Central will also be equally tough. The Bears will be exceptionally scrappy since this is their last year and they would like nothing more than a sectional title in their final year of play.

Other area teams to watch will be Michigan City and LaSalle. The Red Devils are again eyeing the state championship and with Doug Adams at the helm, anything can happen. Adams (of South Bend) has traditionally been the spoiler of the Devil record when the game is played in the Eagle gym, and a dedicated performance in 1969 may extend this jinx. On the other hand, the Lions pose a bigger

threat. As freshmen they handed the Eagles their only loss of the season. At the time, the Adams frosh consisted of those juniors now playing varsity.

As for predicting the outcome of the state tournament, now is far too early to even begin to speculate. But there are some strong ball clubs in the state to be wary of. From the northern part of the state, Adams, City, Warsaw, Kokomo, Marion, and Gary West all have intentions of being "Numero Uno." Farther south, Richmond, Indianapolis, Shortridge, Vincennes, Evansville North, and possibly Indianapolis Washington should also be tough.

But the N. I. C. shapes up to be one of the crucial clashes in the state, and a winner here could experience the same state-ranking that Washington did in the football season. Anything could happen week to week, but a vague projection of the outcome shapes up like this:

1. Michigan City
2. Adams
3. Elkhart
4. Central

1969 Varsity Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place
Nov. 26	S.B. St. Joseph	Here
Nov. 29	S.B. Clay	There
Dec. 6	Ft. Wayne Central	Here
Dec. 12	Goshen	Here
Dec. 13	S.B. LaSalle	There
Dec. 19	Michigan City*	Here
Dec. 20	Muncie South	There
Dec. 26-27	Holiday Tournament	
Jan. 9	Mishawaka*	There
Jan. 10	Gary Roosevelt	Here
Jan. 16	S.B. Central*	Here
Jan. 17	Nappanee	There
Jan. 23	LaPorte*	There
Jan. 24	Warsaw	Here
Jan. 30	S.B. Riley*	There
Jan. 31	Penn	There
Feb. 6	Washington*	Here
Feb. 13	Elkhart*	Here
Feb. 14	S.B. Jackson	There

* Northern Indiana Conference Games



The 1969-70 Basketball team



T. C. Jamison and Ed Haak go thru drills

Wesley Dixon : An Editorial

By Wesley Dixon

Adams may be starting five Juniors for the 69-70 season, which will kick off Nov. 26, Wednesday.

There are no standouts just as last season when they went 21-0, for the juniors their High School record is 40-1, losing to LaSalle in their freshman year. Last year they went 21-0 beating teams such as Michigan City, Elkhart, Gary Roosevelt and Muncie South.

This year Adams has one of the toughest Home Schedules in the State playing teams like Michigan City, Elkhart, Muncie South, Gary Roosevelt and Central. Adams has only two Seniors on the team this year with a chance that both could break into the starting five.

So far this year Adams has been hindered with injuries. T.C. Jamison has had ankle trouble, Jerome Mincey has pelvis trouble, Tim Scheu has back trouble, Ed Haak has feet trouble as does Tony Lawrence. That's about it for injuries this year, but I would say that that's enough.

The Adams whole basketball staff has been changed with Coach Barnbrook resigning, thus B-Team Coach, Dave Hadaway moving up to Varsity. Coach George Griffith is moving up to B-Team and Oliver School's eighth grade Coach Bill Scott is moving over to Freshmen Coach.

John Adams B team basketball coach George Griffith is currently beginning his fifth year in coaching. Mr. Griffith graduated from Ball State University in 1964 after participating in basketball and soccer throughout his four years. During 1964 and 1965, he did graduate work at the University.

His first coaching position was in South Bend, at Nuner Junior High, where he handled basketball and baseball in the school's varsity seasons. Besides serving as a classroom teacher in Family Living and Health, he has been assistant baseball coach and freshmen basketball coach at Adams for the past two years. With the resignation of Don Barnbrook, and the subsequent elevation of Coach Hadaway to the Eagle top spot, he was assigned to fill the vacated B team position.

Coach Griffith had his initial look at the '69 team on October 7 and considers the future B Team as "very presentable," although it will be "almost impossible to equal what Coach Hadaway did last year." If any success can be predicted from past performances, Mr. Griffith should have little difficulty in establishing a winning season. Also, as in the

circumstance with the varsity coaching transition, he will be coaching primarily the same team for consecutive seasons. One of the major difficulties that ninth or tenth grade players encounter is a "lack of consistency" in basic fundamentals. With the same group of athletes, the new B team coach may be able to eliminate many crucial technical errors in the season. If for nothing else, this situation ideally should allow him to pick up where his 68-69 freshmen squad left off.

Today, many school athletic programs appear beset by difficulties. Coach Griffith referred to "the behavior of small groups of students" as a prominent cause of this "decentralizing of athletics." The incidents at school field during the football season and other educational disorders at area high schools suggest that the sports program around South Bend could be threatened. But Mr. Griffith doesn't believe that the situation at Adams adheres to this conflict. "It is not altogether true at Adams." Sports participants here "have responded to this problem better than any group of athletes in the city."

The promotion of Coach Griffith, and the instilled "winning at-

titude" of this year's basketball players suggests that the B team will again complete another successful campaign.

The Freshman Coach

"I consider myself extremely fortunate to work with Dave Hadaway and George Griffith" were the words of freshmen basketball coach William Scott. This is Mr. Scott's first year at Adams, where he is replacing three year coach George Griffith who is presently B team coach. Scott, is not new to coaching or athletics, having coached wrestling, football, baseball, basketball, and track. Many of his teams have been undefeated such as one of his baseball teams that did not lose a game in five years. In high school, Mr. Scott lettered in football, track, baseball and was captain of the football team his senior year. Upon graduating, he attended college at MSU and Western Michigan. He received his diploma at graduate school and later went into the Navy as an athletic specialist. Before coming into the South Bend corporation, Scott coached all sports in Michigan for ten years. For the past four seasons, Mr. Scott coached track and basketball at Oliver Jr. High. At Oliver, his teams have won several city titles in both sports.

Presently, Mr. Scott is married, has two children, is a first year math teacher here at Adams, and is also the new head of the track team.

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B Team Anxiously Awaits St. Joe

At 6:30 next Wednesday, John Adams will open their B team basketball season. The two participants will be the reserve teams of Adams and St. Joe. The B team game will precede each varsity game, with the tip off ninety minutes before the varsity go into action. Like the squad under Coach Hadaway, the Beagles face a tough schedule, playing teams throughout the state.

Under the direction of a new B team coach, Mr. George Griffith, the Beagles are expecting a highly successful season. Stepping up to B team coach from directing the freshmen is a big step for the five year Adams coaching veteran. He will be filling the shoes of Mr. Hadaway and will

have many responsibilities to fulfill. Among these are defending four consecutive city B team titles, defending the N. I. C. championship, and equaling the 1968 reserve record of 21-0. This writer feels that the new coach and the team can uphold all of these standards and end the year with a perfect season. Mr. Griffith also has shown a great deal of confidence in the team.

The team will consist mostly of sophomores but a few juniors will be dropped from the varsity to fill in the gaps. Last year as frosh, these same hardwooders established a 15-7 record. Those losses can be attributed to small size and inexperience, but the '69 squad should be considerably

stronger. Over the summer, each of the boys has grown, gained weight, and improved in ability. Of the sophomores, Les "Woody" Woodford, Eugene Vargo, Joe Fragomeni, and Gibb McKenzie will be the work horses of the team. Last year, Gibb took the top scorer award by nudging out Woody in total points. With the shooting of these two plus the rebounding of 6'4" Eugene Vargo at center, the Beagles are well equipped for the new season.

The rest of the sophs include Ron Bates, Page Glaze, George Rice, Bill Sullivan, and Karl Heinz at guards. The forwards will be Craig Walters, Larry Zurat, and Bernie Williams.

Team depth may be the principal

strong point of the reserves this season.

Besides Adams, other top B teams in South Bend to watch will be Riley, Central, and LaSalle. The toughest of these should be LaSalle's Lions, coached by Terry Miller. Two years ago, Miller's team nipped a highly touted Eagle frosh team, 39-38, to clinch the city crown. This year, Mr. Griffith will be set on revenge when these two foes collide.

From the area surrounding South Bend, Warsaw, Michigan City, and Gary Roosevelt will all carry potent reserve squads. Each game may be a toss-up to decide at this point, but the crucial contests will all be played in the lair of the Eagle.

Scott Brings Experience to Adams as Frosh Coach

By Les Scasz

With the conclusion of a successful football season, the prospects for a successful basketball year look just as good. Mr. Griffith, although moving up to the B team coaching position at Adams this year, has paved a fine tradition for our freshmen basketball teams at Adams. Mr. Scott assumes the new role of that position.

"It should be a good year," replied Mr. Scott when asked about the 1969-70 schedule. "We have good size and speed on the team. When asked about the starting line-up, Coach Scott said it was still too early to name the first five but he was able to name the initial eight candidates. Only R. Balok seems to be assured of a starting role at center. The other top choices are either Burgett, Patterson, Austin, Hill,

Marshall, Robinson, or Howell. In the next few days, there should be a lot of fierce activity in practice to decide the possession of these spots.

The toughest opponents seem to be about the same again this year for the Freshmen. In tournament play this year, the defending champion Eagles were defeated by Schmucker. It was a close game last year, and now, in the '69-70 season, the freshmen want revenge. Other tough opponents for Adams seem to be Washington, Central, and St. Joe, to mention a few.

The Eagles have a tough schedule ahead of them, but they have fine playing material and an excellent new coach in Mr. Scott, to cope with the problem. We are looking forward to a fine performance from our freshmen

basketball team and see no reason why the freshmen should not

1969 Freshmen Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 18	Mish. Marian-H	4:15
Nov. 20	Mishawaka-T	4:00
Nov. 25	Mish. Schmucker-H	4:15
Dec. 2	Mish. Grissom-T	4:00
Dec. 4	S.B. St. Joe-T	6:30
Dec. 9	S.B. LaSalle	4:15
Dec. 11	S.B. Jackson-T	4:15
Dec. 16	S.B. Riley-T	4:00
Dec. 18	S.B. Washington-H	4:15
Jan. 6	S.B. Central-H	4:15
Jan. 8	S.B. Clay-T	4:15
Jan. 13	Mish. Marian-T	6:30
Jan. 15	Mishawaka-H	4:15
Jan. 19-22	Freshmen Tournament	
Jan. 27	Mish. Schmucker-T	6:30
Jan. 29	Mish. Grissom-H	4:15
Feb. 3	S.B. St. Joe-H	4:15
Feb. 5	S.B. LaSalle-T	4:30
Feb. 10	S.B. Jackson-H	4:15

return as the champions of the city tournament.



Coaches Dave Hadaway, George Griffith and Bill Scott pose before practice.

Seagles Open Dec. 5

By Rick Colbert

This year's swimming team will again represent the past performances of John Adams swimming squads.

The team will be lead by the co-captains, Jeff Lichtenfels and Jeff Clark. Lichtenfels finished in the diving finals of last year's State meet; he also swam regularly in the 50 yard freestyle. Jeff Clark also has the past experience of competing in the state finals. Last year he represented Adams in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle events.

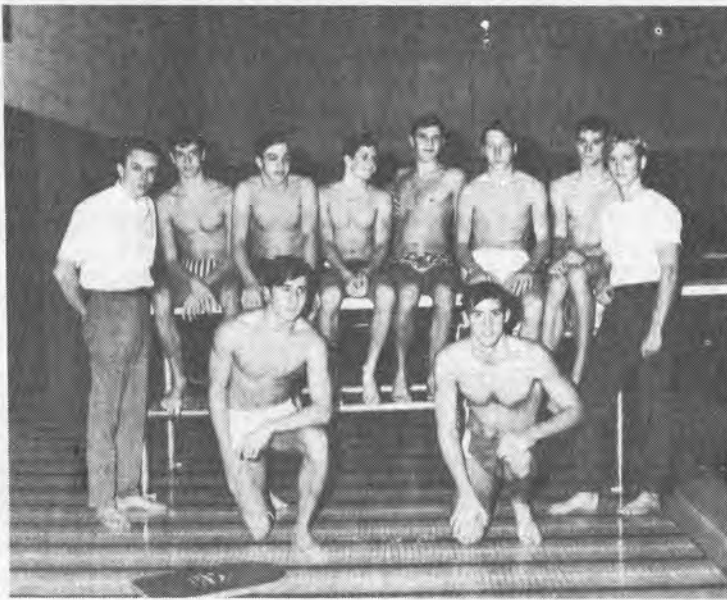
This year's team will be composed of the following seniors: Tom Nova, Jay Eckenberger, Denny Daniels, Doug Pichard, Jim Peltz, and Rick Allen.

Juniors this year will be Dave Feldman, Gary Doetsch, Pat Hinkle, Guy Gullikson, Greg Balka, John Hall, Ralph Zablocki, Pat Hickey and Ken Wilkinson.

There will be one freshmen competing regularly with the varsity, Dan Casa Santa.

The 1969-70 Swim team has some very good experience and also a great deal of potential. If hard work and determination win out, the swimming team may certainly be as good as past Adams efforts in the sport.

It's hard to project, but easy to look back, and anyone who remembers the Busses, the Wachs, the Condons, the Hauflaires, the Fitzgeralds, the Poulins, or the Scheers knows that.



The 1969-70 Seagles

1969 Swimming Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Dec. 5	Michigan City-H	7:00
Dec. 9	Penn-T	4:15
Dec. 11	LaPorte-H	7:00
Dec. 16	LaSalle-T	4:30
Dec. 19	Elkhart-H	7:00
Dec. 20	Frosh-Soph Meet - Jackson	
Jan. 6	Munster-H	7:00
Jan. 9	Central-Wash. pool	4:15
Jan. 13	Culver Military-H	7:00
Jan. 15	Washington-H	7:00
Jan. 21	Hammond-H	7:00
Jan. 28	Riley-H	7:00
Jan. 24	Jackson-H	2:00
Jan. 27	Mishawaka-H	7:00
Jan. 30,31	City Meet-Washington	
Feb. 6,7	Conference Meet-Wash.	
Feb. 13,14	Sectional Meet-Wash.	
Feb. 20,21	State Meet-Bloomington	

Tom Stites assumes the new swimming coaching role following Don Coar's retirement last spring. He is a first year math instructor and a rookie swim coach. The former Central star has a varied approach to coaching, including a utilization of the intervals training program. Stite's philosophy on swimming is simply "To win."

The team is not as strong as Adams teams before, but it has good depth and a great deal of experience. It looks like a hopeful season ahead for the John Adams Seagles.

1969 Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place
Nov. 26	S.B. St. Joseph	Here
Dec. 3	Michigan City	Here
Dec. 5	S.B. Central	There
Dec. 10	Penn	Here
Dec. 12	Michawaka	Here
Dec. 17	LaPorte	Here
Dec. 20	Holiday Tourney	Riley
Jan. 7	Elkhart	There
Jan. 9	Gary Roosevelt	There
Jan. 14	S.B. Clay	There
Jan. 16	S.B. Washington	There
Jan. 21	Niles (Michigan)	There
Jan. 23	S.B. Riley	Here
Jan. 31	Conference Tourn.	Riley
Feb. 5,7	Sectional	Adams
Feb. 14	Regional	
Feb. 21	State	Southport

Wrestlers Aim for N.I.C. Title

By Bob Nyikos

Editor's Note: This season, Senior Bob Nyikos will be writing varsity wrestling for the TOWER. Bob has also contributed articles during the football season, and his endeavor to describe the action in the sport he is involved in should be acknowledged, and respected, by

be trying to fill the heavier weight classes. We will be attempting to fill the 175, 185, and heavyweight positions with inexperienced personnel, including Mike Bergren, Tim Madison, Dennis Burns, Mike Kiley, and Trent Orfanos.

If we can fill these weight classes and fill a few smaller sizes with Bob May and Terry Ditsch, we should have a successful season.

The teams to beat this year seem to be LaSalle, who are always tough and Washington, another team that is annually very hard to beat, and of course Central and Clay.

With support from the student body and cheerleaders, this year could be very successful. As in baseball, very few people came to see our meets. Wrestling is not a hard sport to understand. However, in order to enjoy real wrestling you must come and see the meets.



Wrestling returning lettermen

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Football Season Concludes

Bench Emptied Vs. Penn Eagles Finish 5-5

By Jack Torry

The big question this year, is how did the Eagles lose their chances at an N. I. C. title and a winning season? Many of the players feel they should have been 9-1 overall with a conference mark of 4-1. At least 8-2. So, how did they lose it?

Maybe it was the Marian game when they got too eager on punt return coverage and let Kevin Canfield race 60 yards for the winning score. Or maybe they lost it when one of their linemen jumped the gun against Mishawaka, which kept a final Cave-man drive going. They could have lost it when a crucial penalty stalled a drive on the Hammond Noll two yard line. Or how about when they were a little cocky before the LaSalle game? Or maybe they really didn't lose it, maybe they just weren't good enough to be any better than a .500 ball club.

The latter seems the likeliest. Even in early September, it had the makings of one of those years. Adams simply lacked the beef to win an N. I. C. title. They were a .500 team because they had .500 talent, with however, some exceptions.

Certainly Tim Madison is no .500 ballplayer. The speedy half-back who uses size to break some tackles, and grease to break others, has to be one of the finest backs in Eagle history. He even looks good when he loses yardage, which wasn't often. Through the season he picked up 732 yards on the ground for a 6.2 average, while scoring 11 touchdowns, and winding up with a club high of 60 points. He's almost a shoe in for MVP award of the club.

But then there's Chris Newbill, one of the stalwarts of a gritty, if undermanned, defense. Newbill, who isn't the biggest guy in the world, led the club with 79 tackles, and 86 assists, which means he was in on almost every play, a la Dick Butkus, who also seems to be in the right place at the right time. Since Butkus has almost 100 pounds on him, that's quite a feat.

Certainly the wide receivers, Tony Lawrence and Dick Hawkins are first class. Both return next year. Tony grabbed 23 passes for 459 yards and three touchdowns. His great speed was shown by his average of 20 yards a catch. Hawkins, not playing a full season, collected 10 passes for 194 yards, which comes out to 19.4 yards a catch. He has the knack of catching it in the clutch.

Then there was Tom Ehlers. Thrown into the firing line relatively untested, and following the acts of McGregor and Sayers, he was handicapped from the start. He hit on only 38% of his passes (52 of 140) and wasn't terribly accurate on short passes. But on medium and deep range was deadly. Tom ran a competent offense at times, and showed ability to scramble. He had a lot of heart.

Most of the problems centered around a small line, and at the beginning, wholly inexperienced. They went up against some awfully big lines in Washington, Hammond Noll, and LaPorte. Washington, in particular has an offensive line averaging 223 and one behemoth (Chris Kuc) who weighs 285 pounds (isn't that ridiculous). When the Eagles went up against them they looked like the Polish army on horseback attacking the German panzers with swords. Or a gang of pigmies raiding the Watusi. That the linemen: Kim Zahrt, Brent My-

ers, Bob Nyikos, Jim Parker, and Bob Polis didn't run from the field in sheer fright is a tribute to them. But to have an 180 pounder move someone who goes 285 is quite the impossible.

The season had its thrills and yawns. Marian, Mishawaka, Noll, LaPorte, St. Joe and Washington were all exciting contests. The first two were decided by a single point in the final two minutes, Noll scoring the only touchdown with 1:58 left in the game. Against the Slicers, Adams came from a 16-0 deficit. They did the same thing against the Indians in coming from behind in a 28-14 thriller, while for a quarter they gave the Panthers the scare of their lives. Riley, LaSalle, and Penn were in their own way highly uninteresting. After the first half, of the Penn game it was like a B team contest. But many reserves did get valuable playing experience, and to that sense it was highly beneficial to the future of varsity football at Adams.



Ron Muncie, Tom Peters return



The Sports transition

- Ahead to the New Year in Basketball.

Muncie, Peters Lead Gymnasts

By Ron Muncie

On January seventh, the Adams gymnastic team, coached by Mr. Dan Poe, will open their season against the Jimtown Jimmies.

This is the third year that Adams has had a gymnastic team. In their first two years of existence, the gymnasts did not win many meets since it takes several seasons to develop a strong team. The 1970 team lacks depth and has only two returning lettermen. These returnees are: sophomores Tim Gagen, Mark Kamm, and Greg Peters; juniors Chuck McGowan and Ron Miles; and senior Larry Keating.

In gymnastic meets there are seven areas in which to compete. They are tumbling, horse, high bar, rings, trampoline, parallel bars, and floor exercise. On the horse is Tom Peters, high bar

expert is Larry Keating, Ron Muncie competes on the parallel bars, tumbling and floor exercise, and Chuck McGowan is on the high bar.

Gymnastics is a fairly new sport as far as Indiana high schools is concerned. In the city, Adams is the only school to have a team. Last year in the spring, the Poemen traveled to different schools in the Adams district, giving demonstrations to many junior high schools. This accounts for the number of freshmen presently on the twenty-six man squad.

Besides Jimtown, the gymnasts will also compete against Elkhart, Angola, Crown Point, and Wabash. The sectional this year will be held at Crown Point, with the State meet following one week later.

Extra: Funk - A's

The funk-a's, Adams Hi-Y flag Football team has finished their season with a 5-1-1 record and has tied for second place in league competition. For the past eight weeks, the Hi-Yers took part in a program sponsored by the recreation commission at Bendix Park. Next Sunday, the Funk-a's will compete in a tournament with the three other teams in the league, the kickoff is scheduled for two o'clock.

The flaggers opened their season eight weeks ago by beating the St. Joe Bengals. After emerging as the victor they then went on to play the other two indian teams, tying one and losing the other. From their encounters with St. Joe the funk-a's went on to shut out their next four opponents. These shutouts came on games with Jackson, Clay, and

two LaSalle teams. The toughest of these was Jackson, who held the eagles to two touchdowns amid the rain, mud, and fights.

Generally speaking the team was small, but it was quick. From the start coach Charlie Martin's ball club looked very promising, both on offense and defense. In almost every game the funk-a's were outweighed but their speed and relieving made up for the size disadvantage.

The front line consisted of Ross Shandy, Jim Szucs, Dick Wilson, Mark Sullivan, Mike Taelman, Ken Krueger, Joe Solfronk, and Fred! "Taco" Mareno. In the back field under the direction of Keith LaPierre, the QB, was Greg Hall, Dick Fowler, Kenny Kent, Rick Rydzinski, and Al Mangus who was injured earlier in the season.

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