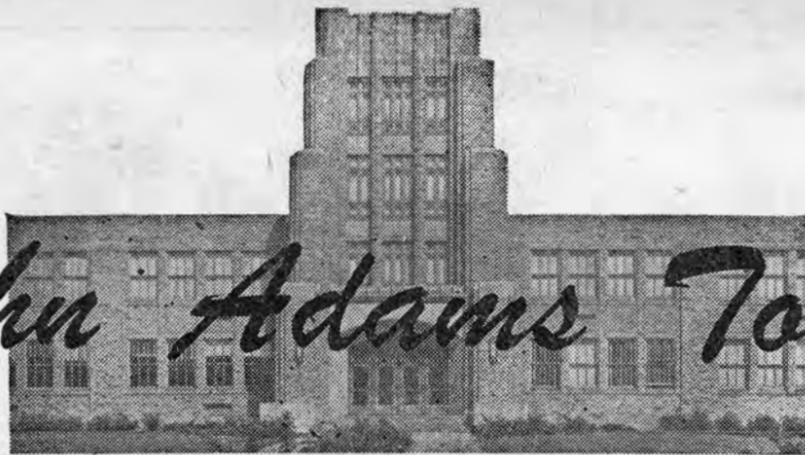


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## Basketball Season Tickets For Sale At Ticket Booth A

Ticket Booth A is once again the scene of fierce battles every morning and afternoon as Adamsites scramble to get their basketball season tickets. They are trying to buy the valuable little pasteboards before the first home game with Sheridan on November 26.

All students purchasing basketball season tickets will acquire a 50% saving. For the price of \$3.00 ticket holders can attend all nine of the Adams home games.

Besides the money saved, season tickets are valuable because they allow their owners to sit in the cheering section on the main floor. Those buying single admission tickets, which are 50 cents both advance sale and door price, must sit up in the balcony.

Also, season ticket holders are given preference in tickets when tourney time rolls around.

### Application Blank

To buy a season ticket, the student must first get an application blank from his home room teacher. This application and the money can then be exchanged for the ticket at aforementioned Ticket Booth A.

Adult season tickets, which are \$6.00, can be purchased in several ways. All former season ticket holders have been sent applications and can have their tickets for this year mailed to them.

Also, adults can obtain applications and tickets at school from Mr. Richard Zook, or they can get them through students.

The 1960-61 season tickets cover the following games: Sheridan, November 26; Washington-Clay, December 2; Nappanee, December 10; Wabash, December 17; Mishawaka, January 6; LaPorte, January 20; Riley, January 27; Penn Township, February 4; and Fort Wayne North, February 17. Of the nine games, four are all-important conference games.

## Band To Play Home Games

By CAROLINE JONES  
Tower Staff Writer

A one . . . a two . . . a three . . . No, it's not Lawrence Welk; it's a John Adams High School Pep Band playing at a home basketball game.

This year, as in the past, the "A" Band and the Varsity Band, composed of 150 members, will equally share the duties of nine home games. The entire number will be divided into thirds and 50 band members will play for each game.

As in the past these pep bands  
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# Eagles Feature Four Lettermen



**SENIOR SQUAD MEMBERS AWAIT SHERIDAN FOE**—In the front row, left to right, seniors Dave Stout, Mickey Stricklen, Sam Dairyko, and Jim Hull line up. Top row are Howard Frazier, Dave Sink, Paul Levy, and Coach Seaborg.

## Team Shoots For 1959-60 Record

Dairyko Only Starter  
Returning from  
Last Season

By TOM DOVENSPIKE  
Tower Sports Editor

The 1960-61 John Adams basketball squad will be relatively an inexperienced one with only four lettermen returning from the 1959-60 team that compiled a record of 19 wins against only 4 defeats, the best season's mark ever achieved by an Adams squad.

Of the twelve boys on the varsity team, seven are seniors. Included among this group of seniors are lettermen Sam Dairyko, Paul Levy, Dave Stout, and Mickey Stricklen. Other seniors on the varsity roster are Howard Frazier, Jim Hull, and Dave Sink.

At present, the balance of the team is comprised entirely of juniors. This group includes Joe Gause, Bill Helkie, Frank Mock, Sam Williams, and Jerry Wood.

Battling for the forward positions are Dairyko, Frazier, Helkie, and Hull. Dairyko, a regular last year, is the only letterman of the group and Helkie was the regular center for the Beagles last winter.

### Three Candidates

The candidates for the center spot include Joe Gause, Dave Stout, and Sam Williams. Stout, the only one among the three with any varsity experience, got off to a late start due to his having participated in football. This will give Gause and Williams a chance to prove themselves early in the campaign.

Five boys are in contention for the starting guard positions. These boys are Levy, Mock, Sink, Stricklen, and Wood. Levy, Sink, and Stricklen, all have had some degree of varsity competition, while Mock and Wood were regulars on last season's B-team.

In Helkie, Stout, and Williams, all of whom stand 6'4" tall, the Eagles could have a good rebounding front line.

Most of this regular season will probably be spent attempting to come up with the best combination of boys for the best possible performance when tourney time rolls around.

## Adams Opens at Wallace Tuesday; Starts at Home Against Sheridan

The John Adams Eagles, defending Eastern Division Conference champions, open their 1960-61 campaign on Tuesday night, No-

vember 22, at Gary Lew Wallace. In last season's encounter the Eagles trounced the Hornets by a score of 75-50.

Sheridan will provide the opposition for the Eagles initial home contest on Friday, November 26. Other home contests this season include, in the following order: Washington-Clay, Nappanee, Wabash, Mishawaka, LaPorte, Riley, Penn Township, and North Side of Fort Wayne.

Remaining away-from-home contests on the schedule include: Terre Haute Gerstmeyer, Goshen, Michigan City, St. Joseph, Central, Gary Roosevelt, Washington, and Elkhart.

During the holiday vacation period, the Eagles will participate in the holiday tourney at Mishawaka. In addition to Adams the entries include Hammond High, Middlebury, and Mishawaka. In last year's tourney, Adams lost to Middlebury in the afternoon contest by a 64-59 count, but went on to defeat Peru 71-54 in the consolation match. In this year's tourney, Adams will open against Middlebury.

In addition to Middlebury, the Eagles will really be up for their  
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# Laiber Will Succeed Reber As Official Basketball Timer

This year when the basketball season opens at Adams one fixture on the scene for 20 years will be missing.

Mr. Paul Reber will be replaced as timer by Mr. Joe Laiber.

Mr. Laiber, a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, is a health teacher at Adams. In addition Laiber has served as an assistant football coach and swimming coach.

### Complex Duties

His new job will encompass such duties as announcing the starting lineups before each game, timing all games, and allowing players into the game when the clock is stopped.

Reber, head of the Adams science department and a chemistry and physics instructor, resigned last spring to devote more time to his teaching and his family.



**REBERS TURNS CLOCK OVER TO LAIBER**—Mr. Paul Reber, retiring as official timer, gives Mr. Joe Laiber pointers on scoring. Looking on are statisticians Alan Hurwick and Wayne Marquardt.

## Eagles Astound Experts In 5-960 Can They Do It This Year?

Last season for the first time in Adams basketball history, Coach Warren Seaborg's Eagles captured the ENIHSC championship. Last year's Eagles broke almost all existing Adams basketball records.

But the 1959-60 season is behind us and the question before us now is how will the 1960-61 team fare against a rugged group of league opponents.

One's first reaction is to cast this season off as a rebuilding year. But a closer look brings out some close parallels to last season.

Just as a year ago Adams has but one regular returning. It casts its hopes on players who have either limited varsity experience or B-team playing time to their credit. And again this season much of the Eagles hope lies on the shoulders of a 6-foot-5 center with no previous varsity experience.

The 1960-61 Eagles like their counterparts a season ago are rated as no better than also-rans by the pre-season experts. But last season the Eagles fooled the experts.

We are not predicting a conference crown or even a highly successful season for the Eagles. But we point out that in a similar situation the Eagles crossed up the experts. Can they do it again this season?

## PEP ASSEMBLIES ARE A PRIVILEGE; LET'S PROTECT THEM AS SUCH

Pep assemblies are a privilege that some say are too few. But like all privileges pep assemblies can be abused.

First, we must find the purpose or purposes of having pep assemblies. Foremost is the idea that pep assemblies create school spirit, help unify the school in support of our athletic teams.

But the purposes of pep assemblies go beyond just this. Pep assemblies help create student interest in extra curricular activities, in this case athletic teams, which are a vital part of the educational set-up at Adams.

However, there are also reasons that pep assemblies should be limited in number. When we have a pep assembly we lose valuable time in the classroom, where it is essential we spend our time if we are going to gain an education.

Many students cry for more pep assemblies. But it seems that during the football season just completed, those who are clamoring for more privileges have been abusing the ones already given them.

Upperclassmen on the main floor, the supposed school leaders, have continually been both rowdy and uncooperative with the cheerleaders, whose job it is to lead the assembly.

If this rowdiness continues, rather than gaining more of the privileges for which they are clamoring, the involved students may force some privileges to be taken away from the entire student body.

## Watch for Those Behind You, They Pay for the Athletic Program

When we attend basketball games at Adams and the play becomes exciting, the situation will arise when the student body will stand and the adult season ticket holders in the mezzanine will ask them to be seated.

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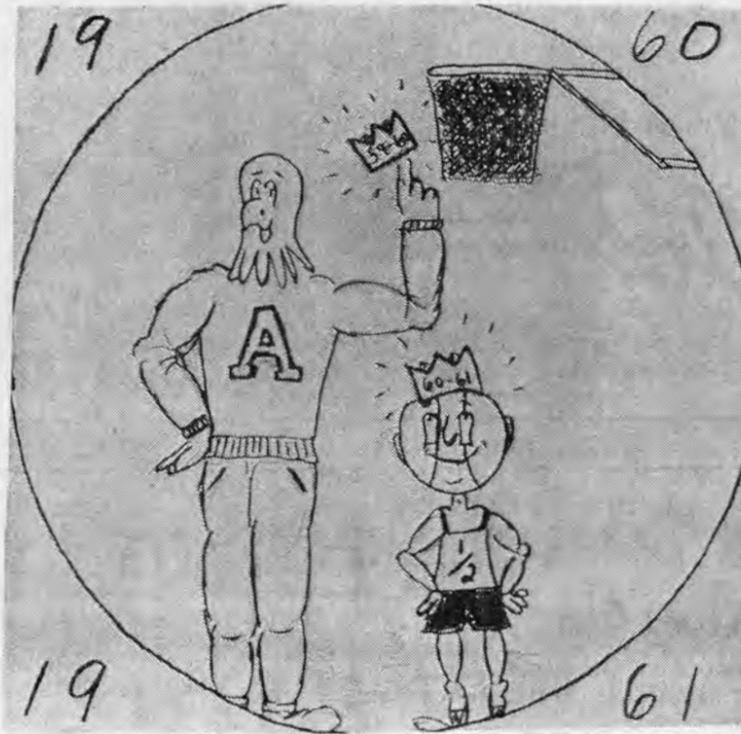
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### CHEER BLOCK FORMED

A splash of color and noise in the midst of the Adams cheering section will be provided for all home games and several away games by the Booster Club cheer block.

The girls practice the cheers and formations with their scarlet and blue mittens every Thursday afternoon. Juniors and seniors are urged to join.



This week our TOWER inquiring reporter asked students, "What will you do if we win the state basketball championship?" WOW, did we get some answers!

Frank Mock, Agnes Blunderowski, and Martha Badger all said they would have a party. If we split up evenly among the three houses, there would be about 530 people at each house! Do you STILL want to have a party?

Several of the girls had unusual ideas. Diane Wilsberg said she'd CONSIDER going on a diet. Charlene Shock said she'd dye one side of her hair red and the other side blue. Sharp? Karen Reynolds would finally wear her hair down and have a ball!

Most of the kids said they would not believe it. Herb Zinnman would have a heart attack and Diane Hess would die. Rather drastic, isn't it, Diane? Gene Chamberlin would "relocate my center of gravity and find myself in a state of unstable equilibrium (this means I'd flip)."

Due to the ethics of this paper Fred Isban's answer is not printable. (Anyway, that's what he told us!) Chuck Divine would say something "fishy" was going on and Shelly Freedman would wonder how much payola the referees got. Diane Kelsch would pinch herself so she would wake up.

And then we have a couple of cheerleaders. Sue Topping would spend the next two weeks trying to get her voice back. Jeannie Sweitzer would celebrate the rest of the year. I'm sure everyone else would too!

And now, what would YOU do? Whatever it is, back our team and you may get a chance to see the amusing (?) things above.

## Concessions Sell For Cage Contests

Ten Adams clubs will run the concession stands for hungry Adams and Riley basketball fans this season. Stands selling ice cream bars, candy, potato chips, hot dogs, soft drinks, and numerous other edibles will again be set up on the first and second floors near the gym.

Mr. Fred Schwanz, who is in charge of the concession stands, has also provided cloak rooms for fans' convenience.

### SCHEDULE

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contests with Michigan City, St. Joseph, and Gary Roosevelt. These were the only teams to defeat the Eagles during the 1959-60 campaign.

Other contests which, as in past years, high-light the season are the annual clashes with city-rivals Central, Riley, and Washington. Last year Adams came through with victories over all three schools, defeating Central 63-56, Riley 62-60, and Washington 73-54.

### PEP BAND

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will provide pre-game and half-time music. Their selections will include both old favorites and pop tunes. The band is also responsible for the National Anthem before each game and the Adams School Song, "Illinois Loyalty."

In addition to this schedule of performances, the band has just completed a rigorous season of marching. The band marched for five home games, presenting both pre-game and half-time ceremonies. They climaxed the busy season with a salute to the seniors at the Michigan City game. The band also plays for all pep assemblies.

Now the band is busy preparing for its concert season. The first concert of the year will be on Thursday, December 1, in combination with the orchestra. Tickets will soon be on sale by all band and orchestra members. The bands are under the direction of Robert Ralston and James Herendeen, and the orchestra, Gerald Lewis.

## A Cage Campaign In Retrospection

Looking back over the Eagles' successful basketball season, one can see that truly unusual strategy was the mainstay of the exceptional record. "WEE WAREN" Seaborg and his dribblers are to be commended for their fine display of initiative.

In the game with the Washington-Clay Colonials on December 2, the newly-formed team showed its acute sense of fashion by appearing on the floor in blue, knee-length pleated skirts. Complementing their outfits were red, cable-knitted knee socks. The visiting team was so receptive to the new type of uniform, that the members threw up their hands in despair and left the floor. One minor detail spoiled the effect of the team's new uniforms, however. Frank Mock's knee guard kept slipping beneath the hem of his skirt and created an extremely untidy look.

### Splendid Originality

The January 6 game with Mishawaka is another example of the splendid originality of the team and its coach. Upon seeing that the Eagles were going to need help if they were to win the contest, Coach Seaborg, in a brilliantly-called time-out, withdrew Bill Helkie from the game and sent in as a substitute, Donna Horvath. This substitution provided just the spark of hope that the team needed to win the game. (It also provided just the diversion necessary to take the eyes of the visiting Maroons from the ball!)

On January 27, Coach Seaborg, deciding that his team needed more practice, sent the boys onto the floor during half-time for some last-minute drill. It will be a long time before the Adams and Riley court members and their escorts forget the sight of 13 panting team members and their basketballs taking part in the coronation ceremonies. The extra practice did pay off, however, when Dave Stout was crowned queen of the annual Adams-Riley rivalry.

### Huge Gym

Washington's huge gymnasium proved to be another well-played device in the hands of Coach Seaborg and his team. The coach convinced the officials at the game that since his boys weren't used to the exceptionally large gym, they should be allowed to have extra team members on the floor. Naturally, since the Panthers practiced daily in their own gym, there was no need for extra members on their side. The 13 Adams Eagles racked up their best score of the season against the 5 Washington team members. Said Sam Dairyko after the game, "This has been one of the high points of my high school career!"

In the last game of the season, Coach Seaborg, recalling the splendid results of his strategy in the Mishawaka game, decided to completely change his starting line-up. Mary Ann Barbara, Jeannie Sweitzer, Linda Cobb, Suellen Topping, and Karen Reynolds were sent in as the starting five, while the five boys normally composing the basketball team demonstrated their fine cheerleading

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## Fall Athletes Receive Awards At Assembly

On Thursday, November 17, the annual fall sports awards were presented to those who displayed outstanding merit in the field of athletics.

After introductions by Kurt Eichorst, president of the Monogram Club, Miss Bauer and Mr. Rothermel presented the awards for cheerleading. Sweaters were presented to Mary Ann Barbara, Karen Reynolds, and Jeannie Sweitzer, while the captain's star went to Karen Reynolds.

Mr. Kaeppler and Mr. Rothermel then presented the tennis awards. Tom Winslow was the only sweater-winner, while Jim Fischer received the captain's star and the fourth-year award. Vic Vargo was given the Monogram Club award and both he and Jim Hull received second-year awards. Jim Mueller was presented with the four-year service award.

Cross-country awards were distributed by Mr. Gibson and Mr. Rothermel. The lone sweater winner was Bob Johnson. Forrest Hurlbut received the Monogram Club Award and Mike Swartz was presented with the captain's star. Both Hurlbut and Swartz received second-year awards.

Finally, Mr. Rothermel and Mr. Scannell presented the awards for football. Sweaters went to Bob Barton, Earl Bradford, Mike Cates, Tom Christman, Tom Frame, Bill Helkie, Bill Hostrawser, John Hostrawser, Jim Howerton, Don Mitchell, Wyze Nicks, Dave Spilis, Chuck Veasey, Jim Ward, and junior manager Ron Nemeth. Howard Frazier, Kurt Juroff, and Art Langel received chevrons, while second-year awards were presented to Kurt Juroff, Bill Roberts, Dave Sink, Mickey Stricklen, Jim Ward, and John Weiss. Dave Stout was presented with the third-year award, and four-year service awards went to Jon Hunt, Craig McLemore, and Carl VanBuskirk. The captain's star was awarded to John Weiss and the Monogram Club Award was presented to Kurt Eichorst. Tom Frame was selected as captain for the 1961 season.



By TOM DOVENSPIKE  
Tower Sports Editor

Although the Adams Eagles may start a lineup consisting of four seniors and one junior or three seniors and two juniors when they open their 1960-61 season on November 22, they will be a vastly inexperienced squad. Of the varsity roster of twelve boys, only two, Sam Dairyko and Mickey Stricklen, will have had any varsity experience to speak of. The reason for this lack of experience is that four of last year's starting five were seniors and therefore the majority of the members this season's squad did not have an opportunity to see much action.

A lack of experience, however, does not mean that the Eagles can not wind up with a successful season. The boys should improve with each game and, by the time the state tournament rolls around, should develop into a solid ball club.

If this squad should get off to a slow start, the students should not show a lack of support after the first few games. It must be remembered that in Indiana high school basketball, the team which loses ten to twelve games in the regular season and then advances to the final four in the State Tournament is remembered far longer than the team that goes undefeated in regular season competition and then is beaten in its own Sectional.

The Eagles will be working hard to get ready for their conference opener against Michigan City on December 16. Adams is the defending ENHSC champions and have a seven-game winning streak in conference play.

## Six B-Team Cheerleaders Serve As Aid To Adams School Spirit

By SANDY DIETL  
Tower Feature Writer

The peppy girls who are seen leading cheers in the balcony at the assemblies are the B-team cheerleaders: Bonnie Jacks, Jill Paulk, Diane Hess, Sally Valentine, Vicki Van Horne, and JoAnne Pask.

They were selected in a series of tryouts last spring. First, all girls interested in cheerleading were screened. They practiced with the varsity cheerleaders and then tried out in front of the faculty and Student Council who selected them on their ability to lead cheers and generate school spirit.

### Posters in Halls

The main duties of the B-team cheerleaders are making posters for the halls, helping in the pep assemblies by leading the freshmen in cheers, substituting for varsity cheerleaders, cheering at the B-team basketball games, and generating school spirit.

The enthusiasm and leadership of these girls contributes much to the athletic program of the school. Under Bonnie Jacks, the acting captain, they practice twice a week. But the only way they can get results is through the cooperation of the entire student body.

With the help of everyone, school spirit can reach an all-time high. With these girls as our leaders, school spirit should be better than it has been. For the work they have done so far, the B-team cheerleaders deserve our appreciation. See you at the B-games!



**B-TEAM CHEERLEADERS LEAD CHEER**—The six B-team cheerleaders in formation for a cheer are, left to right, Bonnie Jacks, Jill Paulk, JoAnne Pask, Vicki Van Horne, Sally Valentine, and Diane Hess.

### IN RETROSPECTION

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ability. When it became evident that the five girls were becoming increasingly tired, the coach began to fear that he might have to resort to the use of his regular team. The team's outlook brightened, however, when, after a whispered conference with Paul Levy, Coach Seaborg sent in as substitutes, the world famous B-team cheerleaders. JoAnne Pask and Jill Paulk were the obvious stars of the game

as each one managed to get two North Side players to withdraw from the game.

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## Frosh Working In Fundamentals

Coach Don Truex is hard at work trimming his freshman squad to around 15 or 20 players for the tough schedule this winter.

The main purpose of the freshman basketball program is to prepare the boys through good coaching and diligent work for varsity competition in the future. The fundamentals of good basketball are stressed in an effort to develop as much talent among the boys as is possible.

### SCHEDULE

Nov. 23—Penn	H
Dec. 1—LaPorte	T
Dec. 2—Mishawaka	T
Dec. 6—St. Joseph	H
Dec. 8—Elkhart Roosevelt	H
Dec. 13—Central	T
Dec. 15—Riley	T
Jan. 5—Mishawaka	H
Jan. 10—Washington	H
Jan. 12—Michigan City	H
Jan. 17—Riley	H
Jan. 19—Elkhart Central	T
Jan. 24—St. Joseph	T
Jan. 26—Central	H
Feb. 2—Goshen	T
Feb. 9—Elkhart North Side	H
Feb. 14—LaPorte	H
Feb. 16—Washington	H

## CITY DUMPS EAGLES

On Friday, November 4, at School Field the Adams Eagles closed out their 1960 football season by dropping a 20-0 decision to the Michigan City Red Devils.

The loss was the sixth of the season for Coach Bob Scannell's charges as against three wins. The Eagles also wound up with an ENIHSC record of two victories and four defeats.

Adams fought hard throughout the contest and trailed by a slim 7-0 margin going into the final twelve minutes of competition. However, Michigan City broke the game up with two touchdowns in the final stanza to ice their win.

### VARSITY SCHEDULE

Nov. 22—Gary Lew Wallace	T
Nov. 26—Sheridan	H
Dec. 2—Washington-Clay	H
Dec. 3—T. H. Gerstmeyer	T
Dec. 8—Goshen	T
Dec. 10—Nappanee	H
Dec. 16—Michigan City	T
Dec. 17—Wabash	H
Dec. 27—Holiday	
Tourney	Mish.
Jan. 6—Mishawaka	H
Jan. 7—St. Joseph	T
Jan. 13—Central	T
Jan. 20—LaPorte	H
Jan. 25—Gary Roosevelt	T
Jan. 27—Riley	H
Feb. 3—Washington	T
Feb. 4—Penn	H
Feb. 10—Elkhart	T
Feb. 17—N. S. Ft. Wayne	H

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## JUNIOR CAGERS



JUNIORS LINE UP WITH B-TEAM COACH—Juniors who are varsity squad members are, in front, Frank Mock and Jerry Wood, and second row, Bill Helkie, Sam Williams, Joe Gause, with Coach Rensberger.

## Inexperience Plagues Bees

This season the Adams B-team could develop into a very strong ball club. As in other years, the Beagles will consist mostly of sophomores, and thus will be inexperienced. A lack of height may also plague the Eagle Bees. However, the Beagles have been working hard and through sheer determination and desire could wind up the year a winning squad.

### Team Cut

Coach Rensberger has cut the team down to a workable squad of fifteen boys and is concentrating his efforts on them in attempting to prepare them for a season of tough competition.

All Beagle games will be played immediately preceding the varsity games.

## Six Letter Winners Return to Seagles

Coach Bob Scannell is looking forward to an extremely successful swimming season. Six monogram winners are returning from last year's team.

Also returning for the Seagles are Paul Klaer and Allen Callum who were deprived of monograms because there are added requirements for underclassmen who win letters.

Returning lettermen are Dave Davis, Dick Shore, Tom Toepp, Don Hartke, Randy Welsh, and Jim Busse.

Last year's swimming team, in its first year under Bob Scannell, were ENIHSC co-champions, champions at the city meet, runners up at the conference meet, and fifth in the state meet.

The 1960-61 squad will miss three seniors who graduated; Tom Brandley, the most valuable player and co-captain, Bill Hammes, the other co-captain, and Bob Grant.

## NELSON, SMOTHERS BOOST WRESTLERS

The Adams wrestling team this year will be largely an inexperienced squad. Hard hit by graduation, the mat men lost ten of the twelve members of last year's varsity team. Only Eric Nelson and Don Smothers return as lettermen.

Injuries have also added to the squad's woes, Ralph Kifowit has been lost for the entire season, and Dave Spilis will be out for the first half. However, the wrestlers have begun their rugged conditioning and through diligent work and a desire to win, they have the ability to come up with a good team.

Coach Morris Aronson and Coach Ronald Benson will have plenty of boys to work with. Some of the boys in contention for regular positions are: Bob Barton, Ken Bare, Jim Grenert, Don Hile,



LETTERMEN DON SMOTHERS, ERIC NELSON

Dean Johnson, Don Mitchell, Steve Nelson, Larry Rouschlang, Billy Roberts, and Mike Swartz. All positions, however, are wide open at this time.

### SCHEDULE

Nov. 30—Washington	H
Dec. 1—Mishawaka	T
Dec. 7—Central	T
Dec. 9—E. Chicago Roosevelt	H
Dec. 13—LaPorte	T
Dec. 16—Hammond Clark	T
Jan. 6—Elkhart	H
Jan. 10—Niles	H
Jan. 13—Hammond	H
Jan. 18—Peru	T
Jan. 21—Conference Trials	
Jan. 25—Riley	T
Jan. 28—Conference Finals	
Feb. 4—Sectional	
Feb. 11—Regional	
Feb. 18—State Finals	

### Swimming Schedule

Dec. 2—Howe Military	T
Dec. 9—Penn	T
Dec. 14—Culver Military	T
Dec. 16—LaPorte	H
Jan. 6—Riley	T
Jan. 13—Washington	T
Jan. 20—Central	H
Jan. 24—Penn	H
Jan. 28—City Meet	Wash.
Jan. 31—Valparaiso	H
Feb. 4—Conference Trials	Wash.
Feb. 11—Conference Finals	Wash.
Feb. 18—State Meet	Purdue

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