



# Waggener High School



## Waggener High Sports 1961, 1st. Edition

This is one of many sections that contain information, photos, newspaper articles, internet items, etc. of the St. Matthews area and especially of Waggener High School. Many of the items came from Al Ring's personal collections but many people have helped and I have tried to give credit where I can.

The purpose of this "collection" was to create the history of Waggener and the students and teachers who were there during my time. Being retired I now have time to do many of the things I have always wanted, this project is just one of them. The collection is continuing today, so if you should have old or new information on the St. Matthews area from 1950 to 1962 or Waggener High, please contact Al Ring.

All graphics have been improved to make the resolution as good as possible, but the reader should remember that many came from copies of old newspaper articles and photos. Credit to the source of the photos, etc. is provided whenever it was available. We realize that many items are not identified and regret that we weren't able to provide this information. As far as the newspaper articles that are not identified, 99% of them would have to be from one of three possible sources. *The Courier-Journal*, *The Louisville Times* or one of the *Voice* publications. Books that we have used for some information include, *Randy*, *Cactus*, *Uncle, Ed and the Golden age of Louisville Television*, *Waggener High School Alumni Directory 1996*, *Waggener Traditional High School Alumni Directory 2007*, *Memories of Fontaine Ferry Park*, *St. Matthews The Crossroads of Beargrass* by Samuel W. Thomas, *St. Matthews, 25 Years a City Two Centuries a Community*, *St. Matthews 1960-1995*, *Waggener Lair's 1958 to 1962*, *The Holy Warrior*, *Muhammad Ali*, *Louisville's Own (An Illustrated Encyclopedia Of Louisville Area Recorded Pop Music From 1953 to 1983)*.

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## **Explanation of the following pages, (Please Read)**

This section is on the history of Waggener High School Sports. Several alumni have helped by providing information for this section along with many articles from *The Voice Of St. Matthews* and the *Chit-Chat* and a few from *The Courier-Journal*. We appreciate everyone's contributions. Also, much of the information is from editions of the Waggener Year books, the *Lair*.

## **HELP NEEDED**

If you have additional information, photos, etc. please get them to Al Ring so they may be shared with the Alumni of Waggener and friends. Your help is appreciated and needed.

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# Waggener High Sports:

Courtesy of 1961 Lair.

1961

# FOOTBALL COACHES

## VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM



Les Anderson Woody Arton David Block  
 Jim Brunnhoeffer Fred Davis Frank Enser  
 Gordon Finley Chuck Foley Steve Griffin  
 Howie Hatton Tom Helfrich Harold High

Dave Steffen  
 Rex Trubey  
 Graham Cooke

Choose Taurman  
 Russell Weikel  
 Jim May

Phil Terry  
 Bill Hinrichs  
 Ed Stopher



Marty Dalin



Ronnie Cain



Bill Woodard J. V.



Roger Bagby



Bill Sabersak J. V.

Dave Hussung  
 Paul Kieth  
 Kenny Lewis  
 Lewis Lyons  
 Joe McGill



George Mialback  
 Tom Morgan  
 Butch Riley  
 John Robich  
 Mike Rogers



Tom Ryan  
 Buddy Smith  
 Hudson Smith  
 Les Snyder  
 Dan Sundberg



Courtesy of 1962 Lair.

## Youthful Gridders Salvage Two

The 1961 football season for Waggener was not one of great success. With a dismal record of two victories and seven defeats, the Wildcats look forward to a much better season next year. With the entire backfield and line with the exception of center Jim Brunnhoeffler returning.

The Cats lost the first game of the season, a close one to Fairdale, 13-7, with Charles Mudd scoring the winning touchdown in the last 7 seconds of play. The two games the Wildcats played creditably but went down in defeat to superior play and experience 21-0 to Atherton and 28-7 to Valley. The Butler game was a disappointment to Waggener rooters. A poor Butler team held the dispirited Wildcats to six points to their own 13 until time ran out with Wildcats in the midst of a final drive. The DeSales game was probably one of the best if not the best our boys played this season, losing 6-0 in a close game that could have gone either way. The outstanding linebacker play of Rich Kippis helped thwart the Wildcat victory. After losing to Eastern 21-0, most of the Wildcat rooters felt that it was time that we won one. Their hopes came true as the Wildcats whipped a keyed up Pleasure Ridge Park

team 26-6 in a game that saw three Panther men go out with injuries due to hard play by the whole Waggener team. The second high point of the season was a victory over Durrett whom we had never beaten before. Although the final score was 14 to 13 the game was not as close as it may appear with the Cats ready to score again as the game ended. The team was ready for their tilt with arch rival Seneca but greater size proved too much for them with the end result 19 to 6 in Seneca's favor.

Though the season was not a winning one the Cats were benefited by fine play throughout the entire season by several of the team; backs Joe Bloyd and Ben Boone were ground gainers all year with the way being paved by the blocking of linemen Butch Riley, Orbin Greene, Phil Terry and Bruce Smith. On defense hard nosed Tommy Helfrich made many tackles and saved the Cats innumerable yards.

With almost the entire first team back, plus many of the juniors and sophomores who did not see action, the Cats are ready to win them all in the next football year.

Joey Bloyd  
Tom Helfrich  
All-County  
Honorable Mention



### 1961 FOOTBALL SCORES

Waggener..... 7	Fairdale .....	13
Waggener..... 0	Atherton .....	21
Waggener..... 7	Valley .....	28
Waggener..... 6	Butler .....	13
Waggener..... 0	DeSales .....	6
Waggener..... 0	Eastern .....	21
Waggener..... 26	P. R. Park .....	6
Waggener..... 13	Durrett .....	13
Waggener..... 6	Seneca .....	19

Bruce Smith  
All-County  
All-State  
Honorable Mention



Butch Riley  
Phil Terry  
All-County  
Honorable Mention



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David Stutzenberger



Warren VanHoose



Paul Long



Jim Pope



Bob Bower



Dave Kuhn



George Craig



Mike Skelton



Keith Thomas



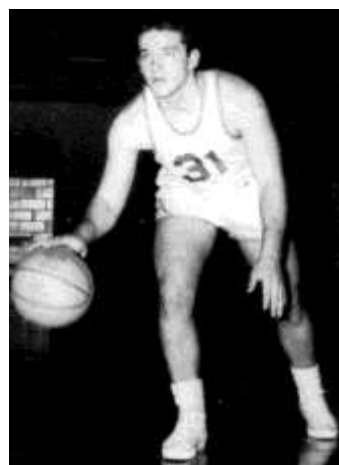
Robin Hanlon



Paul Keith



Steve Porter



Kenny Lewis



Mike Gambill



Walker Cunningham



Don Martin



Ian Zlotolow

## BASKETBALL MANAGERS

Courtesy of 1961 Lair.



BOYS' SWIM TEAM: Front row: Henderson, Farmer, Aston, Boylan, Shanning, Otto, Darton, Geiser, Shapero, Ogle, Abbott. Second row: Kerns, Georgi, Ted Ogle, Tam Ogle, Johnson, Coach Wahld, Wyatt, Clerk, Craig, Taurman. Third row: Harvey, Thompson, Burton, Travos, Clark



GIRLS' SWIM TEAM: Back row: Gail Hoarns, Judi Johnson, Ann Marshall, Barbara Peter, Tisa Rogers, Marilee Robertson, Max Bass. Second row: Kay Stone, Barry Laffoon, Elan Sommer, Sandy Nichol, Sarah Lloyd, Peggy Barrows, Sally Wallace, Sheila James, Jean Todd, Debby Mays, Bekki Watson, Marilyn Ott, Carol Gardner. Third row: Becky Benson, Kathy Pitt, Cathy Walton, Sally Ecken, Jan Pauline, Jenny King, Sue Wilkinson. Fourth row: Sherry Sloan, Judy Henderson, Vicki Tansler, Betty Barrows, Sandra Henderson, Glase Laffoon, Marli Schmitt, Jean Henderson, Naomi Brown



TENNIS TEAM: Back Row—Dave Beiman, Gene King, Joe Stafford, Richard Epstein. Front Row—Buddy Orr, Biggs Tabler, Woody Arles

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GOLF TEAM: Back Row: Les Anderson, Radey Phelps, Andy Dixon, Bill Bowden. Front Row: Ezznie Acres, Phil Scherer, Rick Acres, Sam McDonald, Jack Bernice.



DRILL CORPS: Phyllis Daeb and Suzanne McKinstry, drum majors; Rees Baldwin, Conni Corey, Bobbie Freeman, Mary Joe Nash, Carol Matheis, and Pauletta Perkins, majorettes; Patty Biggs, Jonathan Biss, Mary Ann Bauer, Penny Brown, Karen Bryson, Roberta Bunyan, Diane Carr, Sylvia Clark, Shannon Clarkson, Carol Cook, Martha Crombain, Bonnie Davis, Barbara Dorn, Beverly Eskote, Carol Erickson, Mary Gardner, Beverly Gass, Betty Gleason, Charlotte Graham, Cheryl Graham, Barbara Hampton, Donna Hassenpflug, Linda Hassenpflug, Gretchen Hauptli, Maren Hauser, Fidele Hindman, Nancy Hootman, Linda Hull, Jerry Huns, Janet Kaiter, Lynell McCamman, Joan McCarty, Willie Mitchell, Phyllis Munc, Jacques Myers, Marilan Myers, Jackie Parrish, Jimmie Parrish, Pat Plega, Marian Fox, Bonnie Reed, Jeannine Riddle, Nancy Ringwalt, Betty Sieman, Sharon Sillman, Nancy Sparks, Lois Steiner, Phyllis Thomas, Janet Tyler, Audie Willis, Kay Lee Wilson, Shirley Wilson, Bonnie Wuchterl.

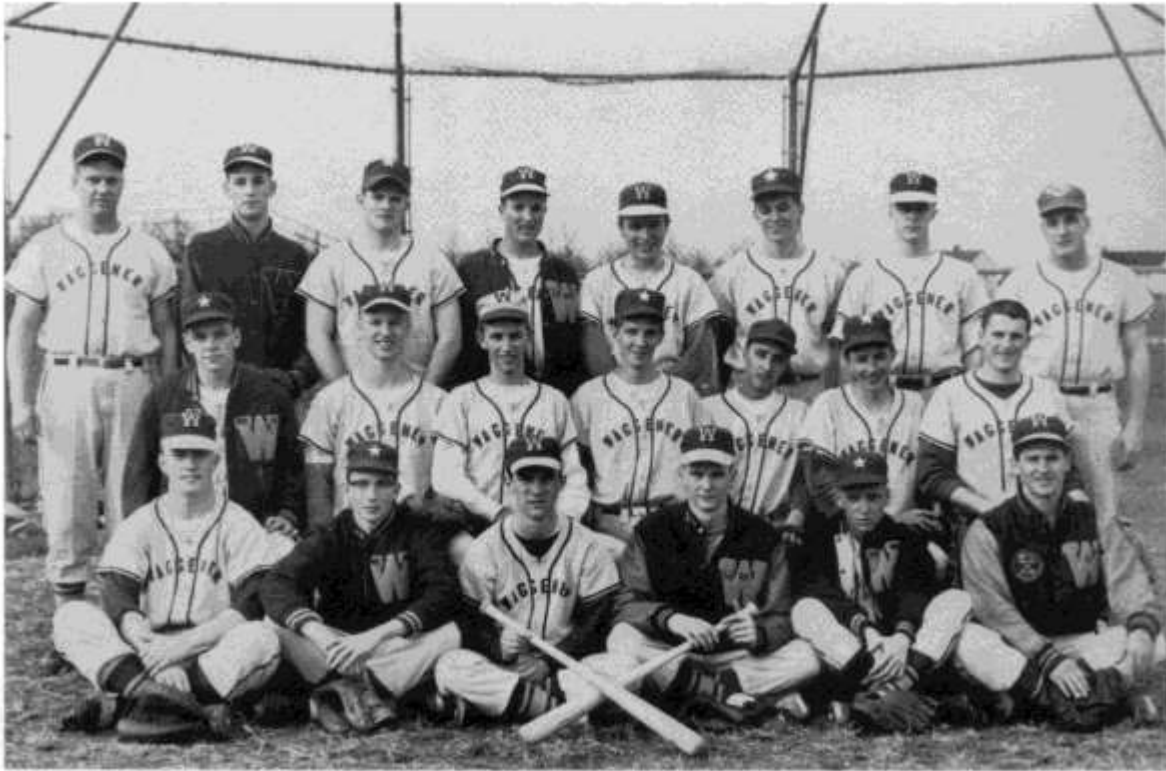


BASEBALL TEAM: BACK ROW: Vernon Jones, coach, Jim Smith, Perry Chick, Bill Hammond, Ben Cunduff, Steve Porter, Mount Davis, Jim Pope, Ramey Simpson, Warren Van-Hoose, Burt Myers, Walker Cunningham, manager, Don Beirle.

FRONT ROW: Chuck Armstrong, Bruce Martin, Wally Adams, Kit Georgehead, Jim Lapsley, John Thompson, Russell Weikel, Ritchie, Stokes, Jack Herman, Kenny Lewis, Tommy Jones, manager.

Courtesy of 1962 Lair.

## Diamondmen Make State Final



1961 BASEBALL TEAM: Back row: Coach Jones, J. Thompson, D. Sundberg, B. Hammond, M. Davis, R. Riley, T. Ryan, Coach Woodard. Second row: R. Ransom, S. Porter, J. Pope, P. Coombs, D. Spangler, M. Patrick, T. Coombs. Third row: R. Weikel, B. Neal, B. Martin, J. Lapsley, D. Lovelace, K. Lewis. Absent when picture was taken: B. Smith.

Waggener's baseballers had their most successful year in the brief history of the school, during the season of 1961. Led by the pitching of Kenny Lewis and John Thompson, the receiving of Bruce Martin, and the hitting and fielding of Don Spangler, Mike Patrick and Butch Riley, Waggener's nine was defeated only by Butler and Fern Creek during the regular season. In the post-season tourneys Waggener was successful in the District, and went on to represent the Seventh Region in the State Tournament. Winning their first two games behind the pitching of Thompson and Lewis, Waggener progressed to the finals to meet Caverna for the state Championship.

In the early part of the game, Caverna jumped to a one-to-nothing lead. The score remained the same, with no serious Waggener threat, until the last inning. With no one out, Steve Porter drew a walk, and Mike Patrick singled him to second. With two men on base Bruce Martin stepped to the plate and chopped a drive to short left field. The throw to home cut down Porter. One out! The catcher threw the ball to third to nip Patrick as he slid in. Two outs! As Patrick was trying for third, Bruce Martin was flying for second with all the speed he could muster. The throw from third beat him to the bag, and the tag was put on him. Three outs! With this spectacular triple play Caverna became the State Champions and Waggener the runner-up.

Although we are losing a great part of the team, we are confident that our hardballers will make the season of 1962 a success, with capable newcomers filling in the positions vacated by last year's starters.



Courtesy of 1962 Lair.

## Golfers Swing to State Title



ADMIRING STATE GOLF TROPHY are Travis Combs, Rick Acree, Ron Acree, Phil Scherer, Jack Burrice and Coach Winchester.

Waggener had its most successful golf season to date in 1961. The Wildcats won their first three matches by a total of twelve strokes. Then Waggener posted easy victories over Country Day, Valley, Eastern, and Pleasure Ridge. The team had its worst day of the season when they met Seneca, losing by 19 strokes with Rick Acree soaring to a 49.

One week later the Wildcats entered regional play at Shelbyville. At the end of 18 holes the Wildcats were tied with

Seneca at 310 for the team lead. Seneca won the sudden death playoff when the Wildcats recorded three bogeys and a par on the nineteenth hole.

We gained our final revenge over Seneca in the state. Ron Acree recorded a 78, Phil Scherer a 79, Jack Burrice an 83, and Rick Acree an 86 for 326 strokes and a five stroke lead after the first day. The Wildcats fired a 325 the second day and retained the five stroke lead to win, 651 to 656.

## Cats Caught By Eastern Rally; Win Third In Row Over City

Waggener's bid for a second straight Jefferson County Invitational Basketball Tourney Title was halted by the Eagles of Eastern High School in a thrilling, hard fought game at Fern Creek Thursday, Jan. 5.

Waggener, employing an aggressive zone defense with three men collapsing on Eastern's star center, Mar Caldwell, jumped out to an early lead in the first quarter with Paul Long and Keith Thomas sparking the Cats to a 15-8 advantage. Eastern narrowed the gap to four points at half-

time, 27-23.

### 10 Point Lead

The Wildcats opened up their longest lead of the game in the third quarter at ten points and appeared to have the Eagles on the ropes.

It was the final period that proved to be the Cats downfall as Eastern capitalized on Waggener miscues and took the lead for good. Long opened the final period for the Cats with a three point play, but then Eastern reeled off seven straight points to trail by only three, 48-45, with

6:27 remaining. After an exchange of free throws, Bailey scored on a tipin and a jumper to put the Eagles ahead, 51-50. Waggener came right back and took the lead again at 52-51 on Warren Van Hoose's free throws, but Caldwell sank two field goals to give the Eagles a 50-52 margin with 3:56 left.

The Wildcats gained a tie at 55-55 on Long's two pointer and Mike Skelton's free loss, but Eastern forged into a four point lead, 59-55, and the Cats couldn't catch up. The final score was Eastern, 63, Waggener 58.

Long led all scorers in the game with his season's high of 25 points. Thomas and Mike Gambill had nine each. Waggener now stands 4-2 for the season.

For Eastern, running their record to 7-0, Caldwell had 24 and Bailey 23.

### Waggener, 60-55

If the Wildcats continue their present jinx over city league teams they should join the city and ditch the county.

Waggener ran its string to three straight last Tuesday as they defeated one time state power Manual, 60-55. Other victories were over Louisville St. Xavier and Atherton.

The Cats jumped off to an early lead and came up with a 28-22 advantage at the half and hitting 48% from the field.

Mike Gambill, Waggener bread and butter player, scored 21 points, hitting on 7 of 12 from the field and 7 of 7 from the free throw line.

Paul Long, hitting for 15 points, and Warren Van Hoose with 10 points gave the Cats three players in double figures.

The best defensive effort for the night was turned in by junior guard Keith Thomas who held the city's leading scorer, Fred Steele, to 17 points.

Top scorer for the Big Red was Clint Bacon with 18 points.

The teams stood even with rebounds each having 30. The Cats outdid Manual in personal fouls 14 to 13 while hitting a low 39.2% from the field. Manual connected with 23 of 69 for a 33.3% average.

Waggener's next cage contest will be with long time rival, Durrett, tonight at the Masonic Home. Durrett boasts only a 1-9 record but still the Cats look to a big battle. Gary Nally, thus far in the season, has been the Demons greatest weapon.

### Guess The Scores!

The following contest is the first of two which will appear on the sports page.

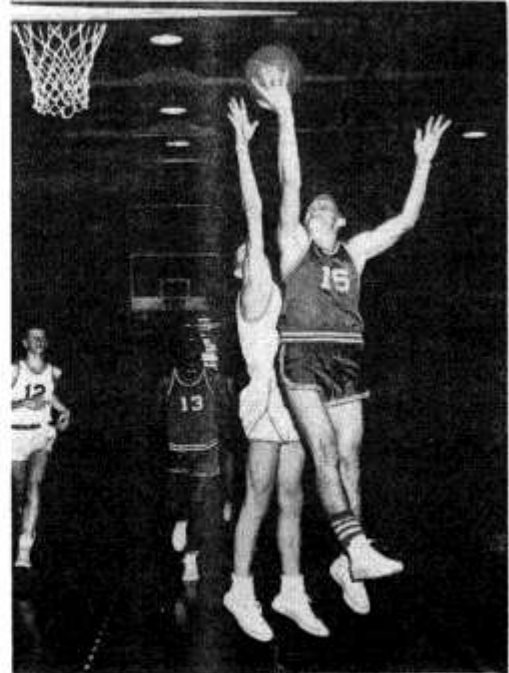
The rules for the contest are as follows. Clip the entry blank from the paper. Place in the blank the initial of the team which you think will win the following basketball games. For the Male game you must also put the score for both teams.

The winner of the first contest will receive as a prize a TENNIS RACKET. The winner will be announced in the February issue. There will be no ties; the first right entry blank wins.

Clip Coupon	
Jan. 13 Durrett	_____
Jan. 17 Fairdale	_____
Jan. 20 Southern	_____
Jan. 24 Male	W _____, H _____
Jan. 27 Butler	_____
Name	_____
Home Room	_____



**BIG STRETCH MAC** . . . Mar Caldwell (No. 41) of Eastern goes in for layup in the first quarter of the second round J.C.I.T. playoff game at Fern Creek.



—Courier-Journal and Times Photo

**HIGHER KEITH** . . . Keith Thomas vainly tries to block quick break shot by Wayne Smith (No. 15) in the Eastern game.

## Webfeet Take Two Of Four

Waggener swimmers have won two of their four meets, defeating Trinity and Atherton, and losing to Louisville St. Xavier and Columbus of Indiana.

Waggener tankers lost their opening meet 54 to 32 to St. Xavier, last year's state champions, on Dec. 15, at the Henry Clay Hotel Pool. This was only Waggener's third loss in dual-meet competition since the team was formed three years ago.

### Loss To Columbus

The Wildcats went down before

last year's Indiana state champs, Columbus, by a score of 74 to 28 on Dec. 16, at the Henry Clay Hotel pool. Sherman Henderson and Steve Peskos were Waggener's only winners against powerful Columbus, which is nationally ranked.

### Waggener, 54-29

Waggener splashed to its first victory, defeating Trinity 58 to 28 on Dec. 20, at the Henry Clay Pool. Sherman Henderson, Charlie Farmer, Steve Peskos, Dick Abbott, and John Geiser won first place.



—Courier-Journal and Times Photo

**OUTA MY WAY** . . . Warren Van Hoose drive into Eastern's Arthur Bailey after bringing down a rebound while a S.E.O. crowd looks on in the J.C.I.T. game, Jan. 5.

## Inside Sports

by Dave Bennett



The main factor in the Cats loss to Eastern was a zone press used in the second half. This type of a defense has three men out and two in. The main objective is to hawk the man with the ball, which the Eagles did with proficiency. To cope with something like the zone press a team must have poise and a set of patterns to work against the press. Without this they commit floor errors on bad passes.

With Mike Gambill in foul trouble early in the game the Cats were forced to loosen up on defense on Eagle center Mar Caldwell. Taking advantage of Gambill's fouls the burly center tossed in 24 points. One bright spot in the game was the offensive ability of Wildcat forward Paul Long. The sharpshooting junior tagged 25 points and played an all around fine game. If the Cats could sharpen up their defense and keep their offensive guns firing they could down any team in the region. This was proven early in the season when they pinned a defeat on St. Xavier. Another fine effort was given in the Atherton game when they kept the taller Rehs away from the bucket and obtained a convincing victory. The Atherton guards were held to a minimum of scoring.

Wildcat swimmers have knotted their record at two wins and two losses by picking up a victory over Atherton. Their other was Trinity while losing to St. Xavier and Columbus Ind. They should reach their peak around Tournament time.

Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Wildcats favored by 8 points over Eastern in Invitational

by DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's Wildcats will be eight point favorites as they clash with the undefeated Eagles of Eastern High in tonight's Jefferson County Invitational Tournament at Fern Creek.

Although being the favorite the cats of coach Roy Adams figure to have a battle on their hands. Chief worries for Waggener will be stopping the Eagles big center, Mac Caldwell, who leads the county in scoring with a 24.5 average, and Arthur Bailey who's hitting at 14.7 mean. The Eagles have rolled up four straight victories while the Cats have a 4-1 slate losing only to Oldham County.

Oldham County coach Barney Thwartt stated that Waggener had the better team. His Colonels

faced both Waggener and Eastern, whipping the Cats and losing to Eastern.

Waggener's best efforts came when they downed the St. X Tigers in the season's opener. St. X is currently rated the second best team in the state. The Cats also were victorious over Atherton and Pleasure Ridge.

The Cats have been paced by senior center Mike Gambill who is second only to Eastern's Caldwell in the county scoring race. Gambill is averaging 18.2 a game. Giving Gambill valuable support are juniors Paul Long and Keith Thomas. Long is 12th in the county race with a 13.6 average while Thomas is 16th at 12 points per game. Forward Warren VanHoose is the team rebounder while Kenny Lewis is the playmaker.

Waggener, the tourney winner last year, should have only a minimum amount of trouble copping their second title if they can get by the Eagles.

Both teams should be in good condition after the two week layoff and will offer each other a real battle as they both tune up for a meeting with county rival Seneca later in the season.

The winner of tonight's 7 o'clock game will meet the winner of the Fern Creek-Butler game in the quarter finals. Other entries are Valley, Durrett, Southern Pleasure Ridge, and Fairview.

The winners play again at 1:30 Saturday and the finals at 8 Saturday night.

January 5, 1961

## Waggener takes Manual, 60-55

By DAVE BENNETT

Manual's Crimson's fell at the hands of Waggener by a 60-55 score Tuesday night at Masonic Home Gym.

The Cats had three men in double figures, Mike Gambill 21, Paul Long 15, and Warren Van Hoose 10, as they picked up their fifth victory in eight starts.

The cats streaked into an early lead and held Manual coreless until 3:04 of the first quarter when Red center Wayne Morse hit a fielder. Waggener led 14-6 at the quarter.

Manual came within four points of the cats late in the half but baskets by Long, and Gambill gave Waggener a 28-22 halftime lead.

The third quarter saw Waggener streak out to a 41-33 lead and hold it till the last two minutes of the game when the Reds cut the lead to five points. Within the last two minutes the Cats pulled the game out of the fire as Keith Thomas, Gambill, and Long hit a total of nine points from the charity stripe.

Waggener next opposes Durrett Friday night at Masonic Home Gym. Game time is 8.

January 12, 1961

Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Eagles beat good Waggener quintet

Eastern's Eagles opened the second round of the Jefferson County Tournament with an all important 63-58 triumph over a good Waggener team. The Eagles showed a great deal of courage in storming back from a 10-point deficit in the last quarter to post their fifth win without a loss.

The Wildcats opened the game clawing and captured a four to two lead. They remained on top until 3:56 in the final period, when big Mac Caldwell hit a short jumper to make the score 53-52. The Big Blue could have given up but with their "never-say-die" attitude they went on to win their most impressive victory of the season.

Waggener ran wild in the first quarter as they completely dominated the early going. The Wildcats were sparked by Paul Long and Keith Thomas in this scoring spurge and had a commanding 15-8 lead at the first stop.

The Eagles trailed by as many as eight points in the second period but began finding their shooting eyes late in the half and narrowed the gap to four at 27-23.

In the second half the Wildcats came out looking as they had in the opening minutes of the game and widened their margin to 10 points. Long, a promising junior, again led the Waggener charge hitting from outside and on driving lay-ups. Entering the crucial fourth quarter the Hubbard's Lane crew held a seven point bulge at 45-38.

The final period began with the teams trading basket for basket, but Waggener had the edge; hitting three free throws and enjoyed another 10-point lead early in the period. The Eagles then went into a tight pressing zone defense which enabled them to keep the Wildcats from getting too many good shots and the Eagle guards were able to swipe several bad passes that were caused by the continuous pressure by the Waggener offense.

With Arthur Bailey and Mac Caldwell connecting on almost every thing they shot, the battling Eagles slowly but surely gained on the Wildcats. After Caldwell's going-ahead basket with 3:56 remaining, Waggener's Thomas and Mike Skelton con-

rected to knot the score again. But Eastern's Wayne Smith hit his only two points of the night to put the game away.

Richard Ross added the finishing touches to the game with basket and two free throws. The final five point lead was the Eagles' largest of the evening but it was like a million to Eastern's elated coach, Bill Hoke.

Eastern was led in scoring by the deadly one-two punch of Caldwell with 24 points and Bailey who tallied 23. But the high man for the night was Waggener's Long who ran up a total of 25. He was followed by Mike Gambill, who did a good job on the boards, and Thomas with nine apiece.

# Long paces Waggener over Fairdale

By DAVE BENNETT

Paul Long paced the Waggener Wildcats as they downed Fairdale 71-53 Tuesday night.

The junior forward tossed in 21 points on 10 fielders and one free throw. Long was followed by Mike Gambill with 14 and Keith Thomas with 10. Charles Mudd was high for Fairdale with 18.

The game was knotted 11-11 at the end of the first quarter but the Cats pulled away in the second outscoring Fairdale 24-10. The Cats held a 56-29 third quarter lead. Waggener now has a 7-2 record.

The cats meet Southern Friday night at Masonic Home Gym.

January 12, 1961

# Waggener - Durrett 64-30

by DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's Wildcats rolled over the Durrett Demons Friday night 64-30 at Masonic Home Gym.

A 21-point outburst in the second period gave the cats a 31-14 halftime lead which was never pressed. It was evident that the Cats could name the score after the first four minutes in which they held a 8-2 lead. Waggener out-rebounded, outshot and practically ran the Demons ragged as they picked up their sixth win against two defeats.

The Demons were outscored in the third quarter fourteen to five as the Cats held a 45-21 third quarter lead.

Waggener's reserves played a

whale of a game in the final quarter out-scoring the Demon regulars 19-9. Mike Skelton, Steve Porter, and David Stutzenburger paced the Wildcat subs.

Paul Long, Mike Gambill and Keith Thomas led the Waggener scorers with 15, 14, and 10 points respectively. Kenny Lewis notched 6 and Skelton picked up 5. John Rowlette's 10 was high for Durrett.

Waggener's toughest part of the schedule is yet to come as they face Southern Friday night, Male on the twenty-fourth, Butler on the twenty-seventh, and Seneca on the thirty-first. If this wasn't enough, the Cats meet Eastern in a rematch the third of February.

January 19, 1961

Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

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# Waggener wins 59-41 over Masonic Home

By Dave Bennett

Waggener's Wildcats copped their 8th victory in ten starts downing Southern 59-41 Friday night at Masonic Home Gym.

The cats pulled out to an early 7-2 lead but Southern bounced back to score eleven straight points while holding Waggener scoreless. Keith Thomas and Kenny Lewis scored consecutive buckets to pull the cats to within four points, 15-11, as the quarter ended. Both teams were cold in the second period but the Trojans held a narrow 23-22 half-time lead.

Paul Long put the cats ahead early in the second half as he reeled off two quick buckets giving Waggener a 26-33 lead. Warren Van Hoose "after" being held scoreless in the half came on to spark the cats with 14 points all coming at crucial times in the game. Waggener held a 37-36 third quarter lead.

The Trojans ran out of gas in the final stanza and the Cats took full advantage scoring 21 points to Southern's five. Most of the last quarter scoring was done by Mike Gambill and Van Hoose who were high for the game with 15, and 14 points respectively. Long notched nine points, well below his 17 point per game average. Danny Weigel was high for the Trojans with 14 points.

Waggener has won 80 per cent of their county games and compiled a 4-1 record in the county standings. Southern is sixth in the county race with a 6-4 slate. They are 6-5 overall.

The Cats will have to be considered a top threat to Seneca for a spot in the 7th region tournament along with Eastern if the eagles can get into shape physically before tourney time.

## Waggener swimmers come in second to New Albany

Waggener High School swimming team came in second in a meet with New Albany at Hazelwood Pool on Jan. 25. The score was New Albany 47, Waggener 32.

Winners from the Waggener team were: 200 Freestyle, Charles Farmer (2:05.7); 100 backstroke, Rick Abbott (1:03.8); 100 freestyle, Steve Peaslee (58.9); diving, Ted Witte (139.8 points); 200 individual medley, Rick Abbott (2:28.2).

The Waggener team finished second in the recent New Albany Invitational, with New Albany third and St. Xavier first.

February 2, 1961

Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews*, February 2, 1961:

## Waggener hits 47 percent to knock off Butler 65-59

By DAVE BENNETT

Waggener hit 47 per cent of its shots and Paul Long hit for 25 points as the Wildcats downed Butler 65-59 at Masonic Home Gym Friday night.

The Cats fell behind after four minutes of play on a shot by Butler center Lee Crawley giving the Bears an 8-6 lead which they were able to hang onto until the final shot of the third quarter. Due to the efforts of Crawley and Jim Patton the Bears streaked out into a 17-13 first quarter lead. Keith Thomas, who registered 10 of his 14 points in the first half, kept the Cats close trailing only 30-29 at the half. Butler held a ten point lead (23-13) early in the second quarter.

Late in the third quarter Mike Skelton hit a jump cutting the Butler lead to 47-45. Mike Gambill hit a one hander from the

top of the circle to tie the game, and with just seconds remaining blocked a shot by Butler guard Tom Pratt and raced for an easy crip to give the Cats a 49-47 third quarter lead.

Long hit for 10 of his game high of 25 in the hectic last quarter. Gambill opened up the last stanza with a fielder and skelton added two free throws giving Waggener a 53-48 lead. Long carried the scoring load for the cats until Thomas hit two charity tosses with 15 seconds remaining.

Long led all scorers with 25, followed by Gambill with 15 and Thomas with 14 for Waggener. Butler, who hit only 29 percent of its shots, was led by Crawley with 24 and Patton with 14. Mike Skelton, who played his finest game for Waggener added 8.

Waggener now owns a 9-3 record.

## Seneca rolls over Waggener virtually clinch crown

by DAVE BENNETT

Seneca virtually clinched the County championship as they rolled over Waggener's Wildcats 55-39 Tuesday night at Masonic Home Gym.

Waggener gave Seneca all they could handle for the first quarter holding a 11-10 lead. The Cats did hold a 9-4 lead as they hit five of eight first quarter shots.

Bill Kercher, who was not counted on to do much of the scoring came through with 20 big points on nine fielders and two free throws. It was Kercher who sent the Redskins out to an early second quarter spurt when he hit two long fielders. Waggener was able to tie at 14 but that was the closest the Cats could get as they never were able to get within 7 points of the Skins. Seneca

held a 25-18 halftime lead. Big George Unseld, the Skins highly touted pivotman, picked up his third foul midway in the quarter and was hindered in his defensive assignments.

The taller Redskins managed to rebound Waggener 32-20 with Mike Redd picking up nine. The Cats were led by Mike Gambill with 8 and Warren Van Hoose with 6.

Kircher was Seneca's high man with 20 followed by Redd and David Cosby with ten apiece. Waggener was led by Gambill and Paul Long with eleven. Van Hoose picked up ten.

Seneca hit 23 of 51 shots for a strong 45.1 percentage. This included a third quarter outburst when they hit seven of nine tries. Waggener was not so hot hitting 15 of 40 for a fair 37.5 mean.

The Cats, who are nine and four, oppose Eastern tomorrow night at Eastern's new gym. Game time is 8.

'We Want Victory'

# Cats Prepare For County Showdown

by Bill Bowden  
If Waggener is to keep alive it's hopes of a second straight County Basketball Title, they must get by two tough county teams, Butler and Seneca.

Butler's Bears will invade the Wildcat's lair tomorrow night at Masonic Home Gym. At present, the Bears have a record of five victories against seven defeats, overall. In the county race they are five and four.

Butler will not be as strong as they were last year, partly be-

cause of the loss of 6-7 center Bill Arkeridge, who now attends the University of Louisville. They have two good scorers in Jim Patton and Lee Crawley.

Of the two teams, Seneca will definitely be the tougher. They will take on the Cats next Tuesday, Jan. 31, also at Masonic Home So far the Redskins, coached by Bob Mulcahy, have run over their county opponents by lopsided scores, but this was to be expected as they were ranked first in the state at the beginning of the

season. They were also supposed to have the state's two best players in 6-7 center George Unled and 6-4 guard David Cosby.

Seneca, however, has not quite lived up to preseason expectations. They have lost only two games, but one was to Ashland in the final of the Ashland Invitational Tourney. Here they lost by 29 points. Their only other defeat was at the hands of the Male Bulldogs, who barely nipped them, 53-51. They have won 10.

Undoubtedly, Seneca will think

of Waggener as just another team, and may be a little over confident. But this will not be so with the Wildcats, who have been aiming toward this game since the first day of practice. The Cats have the firepower to whip the Redskins, as they have three boys scoring in double figures. They are led by Mike Gambill, averaging 16.6 points per game. Mike is also a rugged rebounder. Behind Mike come Paul Long and Keith Thomas, averaging 16.3 and 11.2 points, respectively. If these boys

have a good night, the Redskins may bite the dust!

### Number Two Try

For the second time in a month Waggener will try to unseat East End power, Eastern.

The Wildcats bowed to the Eagles 63-58 earlier this year in the Jefferson County Invitational Tournament at Fern Creek. Eastern's big gun, Mac Caldwell, has been sidelined with a broken arm from a hard practice before the Fern Creek game last Friday.

### THE BIG 5 . . .



PAUL LONG



KEITH THOMAS



MIKE GAMBILL



KENNY LEWIS



WARREN VAN HOOSE

## Rival Durrett Falls To Cats

Fairdale, Southern Also Defeated For Four In Row

### Durrett Stopped

Waggener mauled rival Durrett as they more than doubled the Demons' score, 64-30, on Jan. 13 in the Masonic Home Gym.

Friday the thirteenth held no jinx for the Wildcats, who tossed in a hot 48 per cent of their shots. Mopins Durrett shot a cold 21 per cent.

Although leading only 10-5 after a slow first quarter, Waggener ran away from Durrett to lead 31-14 at the half and 45-21 at the third stop. Coach Adams substituted freely in the closing minutes of play. Waggener's pressing defense allowed Durrett only 30 points.

Paul Long was high for the Cats with 15, Mike Gambill added 14, and Keith Thomas tossed in 10. John Rowlett was high for Durrett with 10 points.

### Waggener 71-53

Waggener's Wildcats after a slow start went on to defeat the Fairdale Bulldogs 71-53.

Both teams battled on even terms in the first quarter. Each team made costly errors and at the first rest stop the score was tied 11-11.

In the second quarter, Waggener, led by Paul Long, raced to a 14 point half time lead.

In the second half the Cats increased their lead over the younger Bulldogs. Coach Adams substituted freely in the last quarter and Waggener coasted to an easy victory.

Leading scorer for the Cats was Paul Long with 21 points. High for Fairdale was Charles Mudd with 16 points.

### Trojans Defeated

Waggener's Wildcats used their height advantage to outdistance Southern 59-41 at Masonic Home Gym Friday, Jan. 20.

Aided by Waggener's poor shooting and lackadaisical floor play, the scrappy Trojans dominated the first half. They led 15-11 at the first quarter and 23-22 at the second period.

The Wildcats' play of the second half contrasted sharply to that of the first. At the third stop they had overtaken Southern 37-36.

The fourth period was all Waggener, as the Wildcats' superior height and depth began to tell. The Big Red snatched rebounds at both boards and demonstrated a devastating attack in sweeping to the 58-41 margin.

Mike Gambill led Waggener's scoring with 15 points, followed closely by Warren Van Hoose and Keith Thomas with 14 and 12 respectively. Southern was paced by Daniel Weigel's 14 points.

## Number 2!

The following is the last of the sports contests. The rules for the contest are as follows: Clip the entry blank from the paper. Place in the blank, the initial of the team which you think will win the following basketball games. For the Seneca game you must also put the score for both teams.

The winner of this contest will receive as a prize a WAGGENER SWEATER. The winner will be announced in the February issue. There will be no ties; the first right entry blank wins. Turn all entries into ROOM 234, before 5:00 Jan. 31.

Jan. 31 Seneca	W. _____ S. _____
Feb. 3 Eastern	_____
Feb. 10 Durrett	_____
Feb. 14 Trinity	_____
Feb. 17 Valley	_____
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## Mermen Win

Waggener sank rival Atherton 54 to 28 on Jan. 6, at the Henry Clay Hotel Pool. Dick Abbott, Charlie Farmer, Otto Georgi, Sherman Henderson and Ted Witte led the way with firsts, and the medley relay composed of Mike Durton, Sherman Henderson, Charlie Farmer, and Steve Peskoe also came out on top.

## Inside Sports

by Dave Bennett

**The freshman cagers** under Coach Ray Watkins have compiled a 4-1 record in a tough county league. The kittens have also played St. Xavier, Shelby County, and Shelbyville. Coach Watkins is highly pleased with the way his team has progressed. "Three boys on our freshman team are also anchoring the J.V.'s. They are Mike Rodgers, Butch Riley, and Phil Combs. Some of them will jump from the frosh right into a spot in the varsity lineup," he commented. The freshmen plan to play DeSales, Male, Jeffersville, Butler, and Valley within the near future. All games are played on Saturday here at Waggener.

**An interview with Bob Mulcahy**, coach of Seneca's powerful Redskins, shows he has much respect for Waggener's cagers. Mulcahy has an over amount of confidence in his young squad. "We had just started to develop after Christmas and then came the Male game. It was just like your game with Eastern, when the time came for you to do something you just didn't produce. That was the way we played against Male. You're better than Eastern, and we're better than Male. We have a lot more improving to do but our ability is unlimited. Mike Redd (6-2 guard) has really come along lately, and he should help us out in the stretch." Joining Redd in the Seneca lineup will be David Herdt, 5-10 sophomore at guard; George Unsed, 6-7 senior at center; Val Hinton, 6-1 senior at forward; and David Cosby, a 6-4 junior at the other forward. Mulcahy is optimistic about Seneca's plans in the future. "If we get some good center play we should be in good shape."

**Tomorrow night's game** with Butler should have some indication on how we fare with Eastern on the 3rd. The Bears dropped a one point decision to Eastern a week ago. After the Seneca game on the 31st, the cats play the Eagles on the third at Eastern. Most teams find it hard to cope with the partisan home crowd that the Eagles produce.

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Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Waggener holds off late rally to win over Eastern 51 to 50

By DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's Wildcats staved off a late Eastern rally to down the Eagles 51-50 Thursday night at Eastern.

The Cats avenged an earlier loss at the hands of Eastern in the opening round of the Jefferson County Invitational Tournament to pick up their 10th victory in 14 starts. It was the Eagles sixth set back in 17 games. East-

ern won the first game on a last quarter spurt and it looked as if they were about to pull the same thing again. That might have been the case had it not been for the fine clutch shooting of the cats in the closing minutes.

Waggener shot out to an early 3-0 lead on a fielder and free throw by Mike Gambill but Eastern countered with 8 straight points, 4 by Arthur Meyer and two each by Arthur Bailey and Richard Ross. The Cats caught fire and went ahead on Warren Van Hoose's two-pointer 14-13. Wayne Smith hit a charity toss to tie the game at 14-14 at the end of the first quarter.

Paul Long and Gambill hit successive fielders to put the Cats on top 18-14. Kenny Lewis and Gambill kept the cats on top 28-23 at halftime.

Waggener added to that margin holding a 41-33 third quarter lead and seemed to be coasting toward victory till 4:30 of the last quarter. At this point the Eagles came alive. Bailey hit two charity tosses and Smith a fielder to put the Eagles within two points at 46-44. With three minutes to go Waggener held on to the ball, waiting for the good

shot. When the shot came Long took it and missed. Bailey hit a jump shot that knotted the score at 46 all. Keith Thomas countered for Waggener to put the cats on top 48-46 at 2:05. Long stole giving the Cats the ball with under two minutes to play. Gambill was fouled by Ross but missed the shot and Eastern had another chance. Waggener got the ball back after Eastern missed a foul shot with 32 seconds to play. Van Hoose hit one of two charity tosses to widen the Waggener lead to 49-46. Eastern fought back with a fielder but then Smith fouled Lewis in an attempt to steal the ball and Lewis hit both tries making it 51-48. With 16 seconds to play the Eagles got two points on foul shots but Waggener had possession with just 5 seconds to play. Bailey fouled Gambill who missed the shot but Eastern's hurried shot was short as were the Eagles 51-50.

Gambill paced the Waggener attack by hitting for 17 points. Long added 11 with Van Hoose close behind at 9. Thomas threw in 8 and Lewis 6.

Eastern was led by Bailey who registered 22. Meyer added 8 and Ross 7.

February 16, 1961



Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Waggener wins by 1 over Eastern 51-50

By PEYTON RAY

Waggener nipped Eastern's hustling Eagles by one point in a Thursday night thriller at Middletown. A capacity crowd of 3,000 saw the Eagles come from eight points back at the outset of the last quarter to almost overtake the Wildcats. Waggener held a one point lead with 26 seconds remaining when Kenny Lewis was fouled. He hit both shots on the one-and-one and sewed up the game. Eastern's Bob Foreman connected on two free throws for the final 51-50 verdict.

In the opening period the Eagles were red hot as Arthur Bailey and Richard Ross hit from outside. But the Wildcats came storming back as Paul Long and Mike Gambill began to find the range. At the first stop the score was deadlocked at 14-14.

Waggener took the advantage in the second quarter as Gambill and Lewis continued to score for the Wildcats. Arthur Meyer kept the Big Blue in the game as he canned three field goals and a free throw. The Hubbards Lane crew held a five point bulge at half time 28-23.

In the third period Long and Gambill controlled the boards for Waggener while Bailey kept Eagle hopes alive as he repeatedly singled the nets. Waggener outscored Eastern by three points in the period and led 41-33 heading into the final quarter.

With Bailey and Tom Bersot leading the way the Eagles clawed at the eight point deficit and came as close as one on three occasions. Lewis held the Wildcats together in those last few seconds and his two free throws spelled the difference between win or lose for Eastern as the game was certainly as close as the 51-50 margin indicated.

Highpoint man for the game was Eastern's Bailey with 22 followed by Meyer with 9. Waggener was led by Gambill who tallied 17 and Long who counted 13.

The Eagles displayed a great deal of team work and hustle in going to defeat before a good Wildcat team. Waggener is virtually a cinch to clinch second place in the county standings, trailing only Seneca in the race.

February 16, 1961

# Waggener trounces Valley with phenomenal shooting

By DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's Wildcats, due to phenomenal first half shooting, overpowered hapless Valley 73-42 Friday night at Masonic Home Gym.

The Cats taking advantage of a loose Valley defense pulled out to an early 10-4 lead and practically coasted the rest of the way. The Vikings were behind by at least 15-25 points the entire game except for one brief seige in the third quarter when

they cut the Waggener lead to 11.

Paul Long was again the sparkplug for the Waggener offensive attack as he poured through 13 points the first quarter and had 17 for the half. The Cats led at the stop 21-10.

Valley could muster only 8 points in the second quarter as Waggener completely ran over the Vikings and held a 45-18 halftime lead.

The third quarter saw the cats outscored as Valley collected a total 17 points to Waggener's 12 and trail by 21.

The Wildcats playing the reserves for the major part of the final quarter held Valley's guns to a meager 8 points while they were rolling up a total of 18 to win going away 73-42.

Long's 24 led all scorers as he picked up valuable help from big center Mike Gambill with 16 and Kieth Thomas with 15. Valley was led by Randy Zachery and Ken Oyler with 10 apiece.

Waggener now has a 9-2 record in the county and a 13-4 overall slate. This victory virtually assured the cats of runner-up honors in the county race to Seneca who is 9-0. Valley is 9-9 in the county and 9-11 overall.

February 23, 1961

*Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Gambill, Long lead Waggener in victory

By BOB McDONALD

Trinity's erroneous Shamrocks lost out to Waggener and its "magic two" Tuesday by a 10-point margin, 59-49. Trinity, led by hustlers Jerry Marshon, Joe Thompson, and John Quesenberry, seemed to be fighting a losing battle with themselves.

At the end of the first quarter Trinity trailed Waggener by ten, 20-10. This was due largely to the fine shooting of Waggener's Mike Gambill and Paul Long. Trinity standouts in the opening period were senior guard Jerry Marshon and sophomore guard Joe Thompson.

With 4:21 left in the half Trinity made its bid, closing the gap to five, 26-21. Waggener, feeling the pressure, tried to get something going, but could not. When the first-half buzzer sounded, the Wildcats led by a slim margin of four points, 33-29.

Trinity came back like a blitz in the second half, coming with in one point of the Red and Gray. The Wildcats, momentarily stunned, suppressed the Shamrock attack by taking advantage of Trinity's walking and poor passing. This combined with Wildcat Warren Van Hoose's superb marksmanship, supposedly wrapped the game up for Waggener. To add to the Shamrock's miseries, center John Quesenberry was charged with his fourth personal with 3:18 left in the third period, leaving him virtually helpless. By this time Waggener built up a 49-37 lead.

In the final quarter Trinity stayed within striking distance, but never could quite make up the difference. Despite a late Shamrock rally, the final score read Waggener 59, Trinity 49.

High point man for Trinity was Quesenberry with 19, followed by Marshon with 12 and Thompson with 9. Cambill was the big point-getter for Waggener, dumping in 21. Long hit for 15, while Van Hoose and Thomas collected 11 each.

Earlier that night, Waggener's JV team downed Trinity's Jay-Vees in a frantic contest, 28-25. This game was so close that to judge its outcome before the final buzzer would have been foolish. George Parker grabbed scoring honor for Trinity with 11, while Barney Neal held the respective honor for Waggener.

This duo victory makes Waggener the champions of St. Matthews for the second straight year.

February 23, 1961

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:

# Waggener ends regular season, clips Oldham Co.

By DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's Wildcats ended their regular season with a hair-raising 63-60 victory over the Oldham County Colonels Friday night at Masonic Home Gym.

The Cats, who finished the season with a respectable 14-5 slate, now look forward to the district and regional tournaments. After drawing an opening round bye the Cats will be matched with the winner of tonight's Country Day-Catholic Country Day game tomorrow night at Eastern. The Cats will be highly favored in this game no matter who they meet. Since the two finalists in district play gain a spot in the regional Waggener will be heavily favored to do so.

In downing Oldham County this marked the first win in 7 attempts for the Cats. Earlier this year the Colonels beat the Wildcats 64-56. It looked as if the same

thing would happen but 2 field goals by Paul Long and Kleth Thomas in the closing seconds assured the victory.

In the first quarter Warren Van Hoose hit a fielder to put the Cats ahead 4-3 and from that point on were never behind. At the first stop Waggener held a 16-7 lead.

Waggener still held the 9 point margin at halftime as each team hit 12 points in the second quarter making it 28-19.

The third quarter saw a ball-hawking deliberate band of Cats soar to a 42-23 lead with only 3:22 gone in the quarter. Oldham County called a time out and altered their defense and held Waggener to a mere 3 points for the final 4:38 of the quarter. Even so the Cats held a 45-35 lead.

The colonels were by no means out of the game as they showed as they cut the Wildcat lead to 52-48 with 4:52 remaining. Flashy guard Jim Hounshell hit a crisp making it 53-50 but Thomas countered with 2 free throws. Hounshell hit again on a jump shot to cut the lead back to three. Mike Gambill who was the offensive spark for the Cats hit on a sweeping hook, Ralph Chambers hit a layup and Gambill hit again for a 5 point margin. Hounshell hit another fielder but Thomas and Long hit their fielders to give the cats a hard fought 63-60 decision.

Gambill's 23 was high for Waggener followed by Long's 15, and Thomas's 13. Warren Van Hoose pitched in 7.

Hounshell, who scored 11 points in the last quarter and 25 for the game to pace the Colonels. He was followed by Chambers with 10 and Webster with 9.

Oldham County, the favorite to win the eighth region, holds a 15-7 mark.

March 2, 1961

# Waggener loses in Regional play

by DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's try for a berth in the State Tournament fell short as Central's Yellowjackets downed the Cats 62-54 Tuesday night at Freedom Hall.

After a shoddy first half the Cats came alive early in the last quarter to cut a Central 17 point lead to 8 when Paul Long, the junior coring sensation, hit a fielder to cut the lead to 58-52. The Cats could manage only 2 more points, 2 free throws by Gambill in the final 2:18.

Central piled up an early 21-11 lead by using a pressing zone defense and sharpshooting by James Gordon.

Things were little better for Waggener the second half as Gordon and Vic Bender continued the bombing of the Yellowjacket basket to carry Central to a 39-24 halftime lead. The only bright spot in the Waggener offense was the play of Long Long connected on 2 field goals and 9 attempts in as many tries for 13 points.

Central continued the barrage the third quarter and led by as much as 17 points. The score at the end of the third period was 52-35.

The Wildcats came on strong in the finish to cut a 17 point Jacket lead to 6 but Central came on strong to succumb Waggener.

The Waggener attack was again led by Mike Gambill and Long who registered 18 points each. Kenny Lewis, the team

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playmaker, hit for 8.

Randolph Redwine notched 16 for Central while Bender added 15.

Central will play Seneca, who downed Southern 67-42 in the first game, Friday night.

This was Waggener's first appearance in the Regional Tournament. The Cats finished the season with a 15-7 slate.

March 9, 1961

*Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Waggener loses to Seneca but lands berth on Regional

by DAVE BENNETT

Waggener's Wildcats gained the first regional berth in the schools history by trouncing Country Day 76-41 Friday night but lost a heartbreaking game to Seneca in the finals 61-60.

Although losing in the final the Cats will be in the regional as both the winner and runner-up qualify to go.

Waggener had little trouble in downing Country Day. The Cats broke on top 10-0 before the Daymen's Ricky Smith dropped in a free throw and led 22-6 at the quarter.

Waggener continued the rout through the third quarter and led 58-29 at the stop. Wildcat regulars played the remainder of the game and did a creditable job.

Country Day put up a tight zone defense centered around big Mike Gambill and held the Cats leading scorer to only 9 points on 2 fielders and five charity tosses. Warren Van Hoose and Keith Thomas led the Waggener scoring brigade with 16 points apiece. Paul Long added 12 and Kenny Lewis accounted for 8.

Smith was high for the Daymen notching 19. Smith's main support came from Mickey Maguire who hit for 9.

Waggener hit on 29 of 68 shots from the field for a 42.7 mean. Country Day hit 12 of 38 for 31.6 per cent.

In the finale the Cats and Seneca fought a vicious game in which the Wildcats led for over three quarters.

Keith Thomas and Mike Gambill pushed the Cats out to an early 14-10 lead on fine shooting and led by as much as 6 points until the early part of the last quarter when Seneca's George Unseld hit a jump shot to put the Redskins on top 54-53. Waggener led 19-16, 34-31, and 47-46 at the stop, in the early part of the quarter until Unseld hit. Mike Redd hit a fielder and one charity toss to give the Skins a 57-53 lead midway in the period. Thomas and Unseld traded baskets and Long hit the first of two free-throws. Redd hit again giving Seneca a 61-56 lead. Thomas, whose clutch shooting was a big factor in

Waggener's success, hit two free throws and a driving crisp shot to pull the Cats to one point with 6 seconds remaining. Seneca's David Hecht missed on a free throw that could have assured victory for the Skins but Waggener got the ball. Kenny Lewis took the last shot with 1 second remaining but it fell short.

Seneca had gone into the game as a 15.5 favorite but were lucky to keep from getting scalped.

Waggener was the hotter shooting of the two teams, hitting on 21 of 41 attempts for an excellent 51 per cent. Seneca got off 62 shots and made good on 26 for a percentage of 41.

A cheering capacity crowd of 3,000 saw Seneca outscore Waggener in field goals 24-21 but Waggener made good 18 of 23 at the foul line while the Redskins hit only 11 out of 21.

Waggener landed 4 players on the 28 District All Tournament team. They are Seniors Mike Gambill and Warren Van Hoose, and Juniors Paul Long and Keith Thomas

March 9, 1961

Courtesy *The Chit-Chat*, February 9, 1961:

# Cats Drop County To Seneca

## Lose First To City; Top Butler Bears

The Wildcats broke their string of 4 wins and lost their first game to a city team, Male, 53-45, since the Male game on Jan. 26 a year ago. The game at Male on Jan. 24 brought the Cat record to 8 wins and 3 losses.

The Kittens turned the tables, however, as they defeated the Bulldogs 24-21 for an impressive 6 in a row.

**Height no Advantage**  
Male, although one of the smallest teams in the city, came through in style as they connected with 45.2% of their shots from the field while the Cats came up with a cold 33.2%. Waggener came off second best again as they missed 9 of 22 of their tries from the free throw line for a 39.1%. Male sunk 13 of 21 for 71.4%.

**Game Close**  
The Wildcats led most of the way the first period only to fall back to a 22-18 halftime deficit. In subsequent quarters they drew close only to have Male capitalize on a low shooting percentage in the last few minutes and draw away to the final 6 point lead.

The final score, Male 53, Waggener 45.

High man in the game for Waggener was Paul Long with 14 points followed by Mike Gambill with 13 and Keith Thomas with 9. J.V. high men were Bruce Smith with 10 points and Mike Rogers with 6.

### Waggener, 65-59

Waggener's Wildcats overcame a two point deficit to defeat the Butler Bears 65-59 at Masonic Home Gym on Jan. 27.

The Wildcats trailed most of the game, until Mike Gambill laid in a shot just as the third quarter ended to put them on top 49-47. The Cats outscored the Shively

club 16-12 in the fourth quarter to account for the final margin.

Waggener shot well, hitting 47 per cent of 47 field goal attempts. Butler hit only 29 per cent, but took 58 shots. The victors' Paul Long hit 25 points to lead all scorers. Mike Gambill had 15 and Keith Thomas added 14. Lew Crawley and Jim Patton motivated the Bears with 24 and 14 respectively.

In the preliminary game Waggener's J.V.'s conquered the Butler J.V.'s 39-35.

This encounter resembled the variety affair with Waggener trail-



MIKE GAMBILL slides under Big George Unseid of Seneca in the Redskins 55-39 defeat of the Wildcats.

ing much of the game, capturing the third quarter lead 27-25, and hanging on for the victory.

Mike Rogers, Butch Riley, and Barney Neal paced the Kittens' attack with ten points apiece.

### Seneca Dumps Cats

Seneca's Redskins added another scalp to their victory bell, this one a Wildcat skin, when they overwhelmed Waggener 55-39 Tuesday, Jan. 31, before a turn-away crowd at Masonic Home Gym.

The Wildcats led through the first quarter, but Seneca was on top 25-18 at the half and won going away in the last period.

### Cats Take Early Lead

Waggener jumped out to an early 9-4 lead, but Seneca cut it to one at the end of the first quarter, 11-10. In the second period Seneca, led by forward Bill Kercher's deadly outside shooting, built up a seven point lead, 25-18. The Wildcats held the margin to seven through most of the third quarter, and the Cats' hopes were buoyed when defensive and rebounding star for Seneca, 6-7 George Unseid, picked up his fourth personal foul. But Waggener failed to take advantage of this and the quarter ended with the Redskins on top by nine, 40-31.

### Kercher Stars

The last quarter was all Seneca as the Redskins outscored the Cats 15-8 to gain the final margin. The win gave Seneca a 13-3 record for the season, while Waggener is now 9-4.

For Seneca, Kercher poured in 20 points, including nine field goals. David Cosby and Mike Redd made 10, each, and Unseid nine. Waggener had three men in double figures with Mike Gambill and Paul Long tallying 11 apiece and Warren Van Hoese adding ten.

### At 'Em Cats . . .

Couch "Doc" Adams first appears calm as his Wildcats trail Butler early in the game. Later he admonishes his team to "get going" and finally, after victory seems certain, he still shows battle scars. Waggener won 65-59. It's a real tough life . . . but always exciting.



## EASTERN TONIGHT

### Trinity, Valley In Line

Postponed from last Friday, Waggener will take on East End rival Durrett, on the Demons' Gym. Big Mac Caldwell is reportedly ready to play tonight's contest. Caldwell has thus far averaged 21.3 points in games before he broke his arm prior to the Fern Creek game, Jan. 20.

Waggener's Wildcats will face rival Durrett, on the Demons' home court tomorrow evening.

The Cats, who trounced the Demons in the game played earlier this season, will be strong favorites to make it two in a row over Durrett.

On the following Tuesday, Feb. 14, the Cats will entertain cross-town rival Trinity, at Masonic Home. Though Trinity's record is not impressive, the Shamrocks are capable of making it quite a game.

On Friday, the Valley Vikings will invade Masonic Home. Valley started the season out on top of the county standings but in recent games they have fallen off the pace. This will be the only meeting between these two clubs this season, and the Cats expect a tough game.

## Inside Sports

by Dave Bennett

**As of Feb. 1,** Waggener cagers have compiled a 9-4 won-lost record. They have captured 89.2% of all games and 71.4% of county games where they are 5-2. Mike Gambill has the best shooting percentage from the field where he has connected on 70 of 129 shots for 54.2 per cent. Keith Thomas is hitting at 48.5 per cent on 58 for 111 from the field. Close behind is Paul Long, the team field goal leader with 78. Long has made good on 43.3 per cent of his 172 attempts; Warren Van Hoese follows 41.7 (35 out of 84) and Kenny Lewis with 20 for 65 at 30.8 per cent.

Lewis is the team's best at the foul line where he has connected on 24 of 27 chances for 88.9 per cent. Mike Skalfon has hit on 60 per cent followed by Long at 71.9; Gambill, 69.0; Thomas, 66.3; and Van Hoese, 62.2.

Waggener as a team has outscored its opposition by 125 points at an 11.7 average. The Cats rate as one of the regions best hitting clubs on their fine 46.4 shooting percentage.

Mike Gambill holds the single game high as he registered 24 against Oldham County. Paul Long hit for 25 against the Butler Bears to place second. The only four losses the Cats have suffered have been at the hands of Oldham County by 8 points; Eastern, 5; Male, 8; and Seneca, 16. We were favored over Oldham County and Eastern but were underdogs to Male and Seneca.

**Travis Combs, Jr.** is the newest recruit to Waggener basketball. The six foot senior guard dressed for the Seneca game and seems to have good potential and should keep the regulars hustling to keep their spots. At Somerset he was a regular member of the football and basketball squad as well as the golf team.

Hats off to the Girls Athletic Association who have recently defeated Durrett. Before that the girls were handed their first setback at the hands of Assumption. In a game last week the senior members of the G. A. A. downed the junior members 25-20.

Waggener senior **Les Snyder** has picked up another honor. Besides being the county scoring champion and holder of the coveted Pierce trophy, Les was selected as a halfback on the West all star team. The game will be played in Lexington on Stoll field in the summer. This game matches the best high school footballers in the state. This game usually serves as a stepping stone from high school to college football.

## Waggener Tankers Earn 3-3 Record

Waggener's swimming team was runner up to St. Xavier in the New Albany Invitational Meet held at Hazelwood Pool on Jan. 20 and 21.

Competition was very close between the six teams entered. The Wildcats with 71 points were two points behind first place Xavier and six points ahead of third place New Albany.

Waggener led in first places with five. St. Xavier managed only two, but their superior depth made the difference. Charles Farmer and Dick Abbott were double winners, and Steve Peskoe added another first.

### New Albany Tops Waggener

Waggener tankers were defeated by a New Albany rally, 47-39, at New Albany, on Jan. 25.

The Bulldogs took both of the relays to pull out the close meet. New Albany had five firsts and Waggener had four.

### Waggener Defeats Lafayette

Waggener mermen evened their record at three victories and three defeats by winning a 56-30 victory over Lexington Lafayette at the Henry Clay Hotel Pool on Jan. 27, 1961. The Cats took seven firsts out of a possible nine.



1960-61 Swim Team

# Cats Win Four; Lose to Fern Creek

## Wildcats Drop Eagles, 51-50

Waggener avenged an earlier loss as they topped the Eastern Eagles 51-50 Thursday, Feb. 9, at the Eagles' new gym.

Eastern, winner of the recent J.C.I.T. and first-round conquerer of Waggener, led briefly in the first quarter, but the Cats were on top by five at the half and held off a late Eagle rally to squeak by.

The Eagles jumped out to a seven-point lead in the first stanza, but the Wildcats came back with eight straight points to gain a 14-14 tie. Waggener built up a five-point lead in the second quarter and led 23-23 at halftime.

### Lead By 10

The Cats built up their biggest lead in the third period at 10 points, with Mike Gambill hitting for seven of his total of 17 points. But Eastern wasn't beaten yet, as they fought back to tie the score at 46-46 with less than four minutes left in the game. Keith Thomas hit a fielder, Warren Van Hoose cashed in a free throw, and Kenny Lewis dropped through two free tosses while Eastern could get only a field goal and a pair of charity tosses to account for the final margin.

### Bailey Leads Scorers

Arthur Bailey, the Eagle's fine forward, led all scorers with 22 points, while Arthur Meyer contributed 8.

The Cats were led by Gambill with 17, Paul Long with 13, and Thomas with 10.

The Kittens had an easier time of it as they led by ten at the half and went on to triumph 41-33. Dennis Buck was high for Waggener with 11, followed by Barney Neal with 9, and Mike Rodgers with 8.

### Rival Durrett Swamped

The powerful Waggener machine rolled over Durrett's Demons 39-45 at the Durrett gym on February 10.

The Wildcats quickly took a 10-2 lead and never relinquished it in romping to their eleventh victory against four losses. The 49 points amassed represented Waggener's best effort of the season.



C.J. & P. photo  
**PAUL LONG (12) drives in under the basket for a layup as Trinity's Jerry Mershon valiantly tries to stop in front. Waggener's win sent Trinity to eighth place in the County and enabled the Cats to stay in second place behind Seneca.**

Mike Gambill paced the attack with 28 points, also a season high, followed by Paul Long with 23 and Keith Thomas with 13. Ken Lewis played an outstanding floor game setting up numerous easy baskets with his six point passes. Mike Shelton, Steve Porter, and newcomer "Tate" Combs played well in reserve roles.

Terry Daugherty scored 13 and Richard Martin 11 for Durrett. The Waggener J.V.'s had little trouble turning back the Durrett J.V.'s 39-31. Barney Neal and Butch Riley led the Kittens' scoring with 13 and 8 respectively.

### Trinity Falls, 59-49

Balanced Waggener landed cr-

oc-plagued Trinity its first loss in county competition, 59-49, at the Masonic Home Gym on Feb. 15.

With Mike Gambill and Paul Long carrying most of the scoring punch, the Wildcats gained a 20-10 first quarter edge. Trinity, cutting down on their floor mistakes, pulled to within four points at the half.

In the third quarter, Trinity's fine center John Queenberry, picked up his fourth foul which handicapped him on defense. After Trinity had cut the lead to two points, Waggener began to pull away with Warren Van Hoose and Keith Thomas leading the way.

A basket by Gambill made it 49-37 entering the final period and the cats were never in trouble again.

Waggener was led by Gambill's 21 points. Long contributed 15, and Van Hoose and Thomas each made 11. Queenberry got 19 for Trinity.

### Waggener 73, Valley 42

Valley proved to be no match for the Wildcats as they succumbed to the hot shooting Cats 73-42 last Friday, Feb. 17, at Masonic Home.

Waggener jumped out to a 21-10 first quarter lead and the Vikings were never in contention after that. The Cats increased their margin to 27 points at the half, 45-18. Waggener's fine forward Paul Long was brilliant in the first half as he poured through 17 points.

Coach Adams let the substitutes take over most of the second half, but Valley could not take advantage of this and the Cats were never in serious trouble.

Long's 24 points was high for the game, and Mike Gambill with 10 and Keith Thomas with 15 gave him good support. For Valley, Kent Oyster had 10.

### Creekers Upset Wildcats

Upset minded Fern Creek ended the Wildcat win string at four with 53-49 figures decided at the Creeks gym Tuesday. Waggener, although a 19-6 favorite, knuckled under for their third loss in a row in the Fern Creek gym. High men for Waggener were Paul Long with 19 points, and Mike Gambill with 15.



## 28th District Looms Ahead

Eastern and Trinity will be matched against each other in the opening game of the 28 district tournament Tuesday, February 28.

This game will be the first meeting of these teams this season. Trinity's record is not as impressive as the Eagles but the Shamrocks have been coming on strong in their last few games. Eastern, who had a let down after the loss of star Mac Caldwell, have regrouped and are once again a threat. If Caldwell should be back for this game, the Eagles will assume the favorites roll. The winner of this game will take on powerhouse Seneca on Thursday in the upper bracket semi-finals game. The team that advances to this game will try to do what no other team in the county has been able to do, beat Seneca.

On Wednesday, Catholic Country Day and Louisville Country Day will clash in the lower bracket quarter-final game. The Deymen have an earlier season win over the C.C.D. Hawks this season. The Deymen will be favored to repeat this earlier win, and thus advance to the semi-final

game with Waggener. The Cats will be strong favorites to win since Country Day does not play the same caliber basketball as Waggener.

The finals of the district will be held Saturday, March 4. No matter which team wins the game both will advance to the regional to be held the following week at Freedom Hall. The Cats, who are favored to be one of the teams participating in the regional tournament, will be making their first appearance in regional warfare.

When Coach "Doc" Adams was asked what he thought the teams chances were in the tournament he replied, "The boys are capable of playing good basketball. The distance we go in this tournament is up to them."

All district tournament games will be played at Eastern and begin at 7:30 except for the Friday and Saturday night games which will start at 8:00. Price of tickets will be students 50c and adults \$1.00. All tickets will cost \$1.00 if bought at the door.

# Inside Sports

by Dave Bennett

**The Waggener swim team**, in quest, of the Class A Championship, travels to Lexington Saturday for the State High School Swimming Meet. The tankers have raked a place near the top in the three years they were entered. In 1958, the first year in competition, Waggener took first place near the top in the Class C meet. The next year, 1959, the Cats placed second in the Class A competition in then powerful Atherton. In 1960 just two points separated the winner, St. X and Waggener. This was quite a surprise as the tankers downed St. X in the New Albany Invitational and once in a dual meet. The swimmers were undefeated in dual meet competition that year.

**This marks the** fifteenth year of state competition and of the past 14 St. X has won twelve. Lexington Lafayette and Atherton have captured the other two. The Tigers are strong again this year as they go into the meet undefeated. They were only pressed in winning once and was by Waggener. St. X squeaked out a slim 2 point victory over the Cats in this year's New Albany Invitational. At first it looked as if the two teams had finished in a dead heat for first place. Thinking this to be the case the teams flipped a coin to see who would get the winners trophy. Waggener won the toss and possession of the trophy, but for a very few minutes. The judges had decided to give an extra two points in the diving and X was declared the official winner.

**The Tankmen's** main problem is a lack of depth. There is no doubt that Waggener boasts some of the finest individual performers in the state. If the meet were to be divided first places alone the Wildcats chances would be excellent. Both teams have been working exceptionally hard the past few weeks in preparation for the big event. The majority of the team have dedicated themselves to the cause and with the will and determination they have, St. X or any other team will find them hard to beat.

**The Cats** finished the regular season with a 5-4 won-loss record. The victories were over Trinity, Lafayette (twice), New Albany and Atherton. The losses were to St. X, Columbus, Ind. (twice), and New Albany.

**Waggener's** hopes lie in the performance of Dick Abbot in the 100 backstroke and 200 Individual medley, and Mike Farmer in the 200 and 400 Freestyle. Steve Pesko in the 100 freestyle, Otto Georgi in the 200 freestyle and Diver Ted Witte are being heavily counted on.

Good luck to every member of the squad in bringing back the state championship trophy.



Varsity Roundballers 1960 - 1961

Courtesy *The Chit-Chat*, March 9, 1961:

# JV Roundballers Finish 14-4, Bring Hope For Bright Future

by Frank Grubbs

As this year's basketball season draws to a close, many of the players will be playing their last games for Waggener. At this time many people are starting to wonder about the team we will have next year.

With the graduation of seven seniors, including three starters, there will be many holes to fill. When you consider that three of the departing seniors have been playing varsity for three years, you realize how deep these holes will be. The fans who have watched this year's JV squad know, however, that all is not as black as it may seem.

### Win 14 of 18

Just as in football where our JV's won the County, there seems to be a great quantity of quality basketball players in their way up to varsity. This year's Kittens are probably the most talented JV team that Waggener has had.

With the fine coaching of Ver-

non Jones, the team has won 14 out of 18 games. This includes victories over such powers as Male, St. Xavier, and Seneca.

Surprisingly enough, two of the most outstanding players have been Mike Rodgers and Butch Riley who are only Freshmen and who also lettered varsity football.

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Rodgers, a 6'1" forward, has averaged 6 points per game and Riley, a 6' guard has averaged about 8 points per game. Both should be good bets to play varsity next year.

### Neal Averages 10

The other guard has been played by "dead-eye" Barney

Neal who is the leading team scorer with a 10 point average. This 5'11" sophomore, when he is hot, is probably one of the best JV outside shooters in the County.

Bill Jensen, a cool and steady 6'1" sophomore, has averaged 4 points per game and has played much of the time at the other forward.

### Beck Leads Rebounding

At the center spot has been big 6'2" Dennis Beck who has the potential of becoming another Mike Gambill. He has been the team's leading rebounder and has averaged 5 points per game.

Other players who have seen much action and have the potential to play varsity include: Buddy Trent, Russell Garth, John Koon, and Warner Maxwell.

With the addition of this talented group of boys to the rebounding juniors, next year should be one heck of a roundball season.

# Waggener Stopped By Central



# District Finals Leave Wildcats Number Two

In the finals Waggener and Seneca staged a tremendous struggle, with Seneca bouncing back in the last quarter to down the Cats.

A capacity crowd saw the lead change hands 11 times and the score was tied on four occasions.

The Cats wasted little time in showing that they were a far different team than they were back when they lost to the Redskins 55-59. They moved into the lead midway in the first period and stayed in front until the early seconds of the last quarter.

Waggener led 19-16, 34-31 and 47-46 at the stops. But the Cats couldn't hold off Seneca's late rally.

### Cats Don't Give Up

Down 61-56 with just over a minute to play the Wildcats led by Keith Thomas fought to a 61-60 score with seven seconds left. Seneca's Rave Hecht missed on a one-and-one and Waggener re-

bounced and fired the last unsuccessful shot as time ran out.

### Country Day Falls

Waggener's Wildcats fell at the hands of the Seneca Redskins 61-60 in the finals of the 28th District Tournament March 4. Waggener moved into the final game by trouncing Country Day 39-41 the preceding evening.

The Cats had little trouble with the Blue Devils who failed to score until after Waggener had tallied 10 points. The Blue Devils never recovered from this early Waggener surge and the Cats had a comfortable 36-17 halftime lead. Waggener increased this lead in the third quarter to 59-29. In the fourth quarter Coach Roy "Doc" Adams substituted freely.

Scoring honors for the Cats were shared by Keith Thomas and Warren Van Hoose with 16. High man for the game was Ricky Smith of Country Day with 19 points.



Coach Vernon Jones stands with his 1960-61 JV Cagers

# G. A. A. Cagers Tie Up 2-2 Record

The girls' basketball team, sponsored by the Girls' Athletic Association, has been playing regularly since Christmas.

They have a 2-2 record, having won over Durrett, 31-16 and Fern Creek 55-24. They lost to Assumption by 15 points and to Sacred Heart 45-30.

Their next game is with Eastern on March 16 at 2:45 p.m. Team members are as follows: Georgia Bruckner, Pam Oliver, Sue Stafford, Diane Taylor, Rose Baldwin, Pam Sullivan, Jean Poland, Jacqui Meyers, Ann Price, Judy Lovelace, and Karen Garrett.

The GAA has also had a basketball tournament within the

organization which was won by the Seniors, with the Freshmen coming in second. They will start a volleyball tournament soon. The girls went ice skating Monday, Feb. 27, as an activity.

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# Inside Sports Varsity Shoots 47.6% Gambill Leads Scorers

by Dave Bennett

The Waggener swimmers are to be commended for their showing in the 15th State High School Swim Meet. It was one of the state's strongest tournaments and tension was high among all participants. The Wildcats were full of spirit and gave an A-1 effort all the way. St. Xavier, the winner, made no mistakes and were truly worthy of the award. People who braved the weather to witness the meet were astounded by John Geiser, Waggener's swimming prodigy. Most couldn't believe he was only 12 years old. He finished third in the medley and sixth in the backstroke. In the four years we have entered the meet, we have always finished in the money.

One of the hottest shooting teams in the state? Yes, that is true of the Waggener cagers. After 19 games, of which 14 were victories, the Cats have connected on a total of 47.6 percent of their shots from the floor. There are very few schools in the state that can surpass such a record. This has not come about against easy competition; it has been against the state's finest such as St. X; Seneca, rated in the state's top five; Male, and eighth region power Oldham County.



DAVE BENNETT

Mike Gambill, senior pivotman, led the team in scoring as well as field goal percentage. Big Mike hit at a 77.2 percent clip for the regular season and registered 56.1 percent of his shots. Perhaps Gambill's finest effort came in our

first encounter with St. X. The Tigers were picked to finish second in the state and the main reason for this was their center, 6'6" Mike Stillman. Gambill not only outplayed the big Tiger, but outscored and out-rebounded him as well. As a result the Cats upset Xavier and were looked at with respect for the remaining games.

Gambill scored over 20 points in six contests, as did junior counter-part Paul Long. Gambill's 26 against Durrett and 26 against Oldham County were his two high games, while Long registered 25 in contests against Eastern and Butler. Perhaps the Durrett game was Gambill's best night. Besides scoring 26 points, he held the Demons, Gary Nally to one meager point and hit a mid-court push shot as the first half ended. What more could you do in one game?



MIKE GAMBILL

With spring just around the corner, Waggener's spring and summer athletes have been seen shining up the golf club, lacing up the track shoes and restringing the tennis rackets. The baseball team will swing into action a little later. The golf team will have Roy Winchester as their coach, Marty Deim will pilot the trackmen, Roy Adams the footballers; and Vernon Jones the baseballers. A calendar of the tournaments have the girl's tennis first at May 5-6.

**Cats Place  
Second Behind  
St. X. Swimmers**

Waggener swimmers trailed St. Xavier, 106-79, but brought home the runner-up trophy from the state meet, held at Lexington on Feb. 25. This is the third consecutive year that Wildcat tankers have placed second in the state swim meet.



CHARLIE FARMER saw it for the last time after the fifth event.

**Farmer, Abbott Star**

Outstanding performances were turned in by Charlie Farmer and Rick Abbott, who accounted for Waggener's firsts, two apiece, and re-wrote the record books in doing so. Farmer set state records in the 400 and 200 yd. freestyle events. Abbott broke his own state record in the 100 yd. backstroke, and also set a new state record in the 200 yd. individual medley event.

Otto Georgi, who was also under the existing state record in the 400 yd. freestyle, took third in that event, and was third in the 200 yd. freestyle. Sherman Henderson was third in the 200 yd. breaststroke and fourth in the 100 yd. butterfly. Steve Peskos was second in the 100 yd. freestyle and fifth in the 50 yd.



RICK ABBOTT freestyle and fifth in the 50 yd.



—Courier-Journal and Times Press

**WARREN VAN HOOSE** shows rebounding power as he outstretches Mike Redd (21) and Bill Kercher (31) of Seneca in the district final at Eastern. Seneca went on to win, however, by a 61-60 margin.

freestyle. John Geiser took third in the 200 yd. individual medley and sixth in the 100 yd. backstroke. Mike Dorton added a third in the 100 yd. backstroke.

**Witte Takes Second**

In the diving, Ted Witte took second place and Jerry Dulworth sixth. The freestyle relay composed of Niles Schoening, Mike Kerns, Howard Wilson, and Tom

Ogle was second. The medley relay composed of Woddie Axton, Rudy Miller, George Clark, and Richard Shapiro took fifth.

This was the toughest state meet in its fifteen year history as new records were established in eight out of ten events. Waggener swimmers now hold five state records, while St. X. swimmers also hold five.

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**Gambill, Long Earn All-County  
Four Get All-District Posts**

Center Mike Gambill and junior guard Paul Long went all the way to gather places on the Courier Journal's All-County team as picked by the 13 County coaches.

On the average scoring basis, Long is fifth on the team with a 14.9 points per game average followed by Gambill with 14.7. Gambill at 6'3" stands 1 inch above the average of 6'2". Long measures 6' even.

Gambill was picked third in the voting following Eastern's 6'3 1/2" Mac Caldwell and 6'7" George Unsel of Seneca.

The rest of the All-County squad is as follows: Dan Wiegol, Southern; Arthur Bailey, Eastern; Mike Redd, Seneca; David Cosby, Seneca; Lee Crowley, Butler; Charlie Mudd, Fairdale.

Guard Keith Thomas of Waggener pulled in an Honorable Mention.

In the 28th District Waggener placed four of its starters, Mike Gambill, Paul Long, Warren Van Hoose, and Keith Thomas, on the All-District team against the most powerful section of the County.

Of the four All-Tourney teams in the Louisville-Jefferson County area only one other school was able to match this feat. This was St. Xavier in the 25th District.

Both Eastern and Seneca followed Waggener with three on the team of 12.

**Wetherton Wins  
Sports Quizzes**

It has been said that those who win, always win and those who lose, always lose. Whether this is true or not is impossible to say, but it sure seems correct in the case of Bill Wetherton. This Senior outsmarted the rest of the students twice to win both of the Chit-Chat basketball contests.

**It Felt 'Great'**

Bill, who is president of the Beta Club, said that it felt "great" to win. "I thought that I might have won the first one but the second was a complete surprise."

Since Bill is a special math student, it might be thought that he had used some mathematical system. Bill, however, made it clear that he did not. "I just cranked out the answers," he said.

**Picks 5 Winners**

In the first contest, Bill picked the five winners and missed the score of the Male game by 5 points. He was even more accurate in the second where he picked the winners and missed the Seneca score by only 3 points.

Bill's uncanny luck in cranking out the right answers will not go unrewarded. The Chit-Chat staff will present him a tennis racket for his first win and a sweater for his second.

**Scott Davis Is Runner-Up**

When asked if he would like to take the place of Dick Dunkel, who predicts games for *The Louisville Times*, Bill said, "I think that would be fun if my luck kept up."

Scott Davis was runner-up in the first contest. He picked the five winners but missed the score by 7 points. There was not any close runner-up in the second contest.

**Waggener  
Beats Oldham  
1st in 8 Tries**

The Wildcats evened the score with Oldham County for this season when they nudged by the bottling Colonels 63-60, Friday, Feb. 24, at Masonic Home.

Waggener dominated play until the fourth quarter, when the Colonels threw a scare into the Cats by coming within one point. But the Cats managed to hang on for their first victory over Oldham County in eight tries.

Waggener's talented trio of Mike Gambill, Paul Long, and Keith Thomas led the Cats in scoring with 24, 18 and 13 points respectively. Jim Hounshell led Oldham County with 25.



**THE FROSH TEAM** is looking to duplicate their 9-1 record as next year's J.V.'s. From left to right, Front Row: Boone; Lueb; Reitz; Scholl; Griffen; George; Shuck. Middle: Beckham; Ams; Mitchell; Fleckenstein; Shelburne; Beck; Pfeffer. Back: Ehrldige; Raub; Bloom; Cooms; Riley; Rogers; Woods; Gwinn; Coach Watkins.

**Freshmen Wind Up Season**

Waggener's future basketball hopes appear very bright in view of the successful season enjoyed by the 1961 freshman team.

The Kittens, under the direction of Mr. Ray Watkins, won 19 of their 20 ball games. A lone early season loss to Southern's fresh,

which they later avenged, marred their perfect workahed. They won the freshman league in which several of the other county teams participated, compiling a 19-1 record. Among their victories were three wins over both Seneca and Fern Creek and two decisions over St. X.

Coach Watkins is very pleased with his freshman cagers. He declined to name out outstanding player, but indicated that several of the boys have progressed so rapidly this year that they may move directly into varsity competition next season.

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# Spring Sports Take The Stage

And in comes spring . . . March 21 marks the annual opening of the warm weather sports as testified by the fact that athletes of three of the five representative programs have already "hit the field" in an earnest effort to make their respective teams.



Buddy Orr

The baseball, track, golf, and tennis teams will start play in about three weeks in anticipation of even a better season than last year.

Coaching the respective teams will be Mr. Roy Winchester, reputed to be one of the finest basketball referees in the state, golf, Mr. Martin Deim, also head varsity football coach, track; Mr. Vernon Jones, baseball; Mr. Roy "Doc" Adams, tennis.

All in all this blend of good coaches and good players should make it another profitable year for Waggener in spring athletics.

## Tennis

Coach Roy Adams and his tennis team are looking hopefully for another hard-socking successful season. This should be a good season for both the boys and girls.

Back from last year's male team will be seniors Woody Axton, Richard Epstein, Biggs Tabler,

Dave Bennett, and Buddy Orr, and junior Gene King.

Seniors Gayle Hassmann and Diane Taylor and junior Sue Stafford will be back for the girls' team.

In four years, Waggener's tennis teams have been very successful.

The 1961 team prospects look very hopeful and with a little



Butch Mathis

luck, Waggener might have two state champion tennis teams.

## Track

The Waggener track team will open its 1961 season on April 14 in a dual meet with Elizabethtown,

Flaget, and Shawnee at the Shawnee track.

Returning to the team and ex-

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pected to pace all-state distance men will be Butch Mathis, the mile and half-miler from last year.

Gordon Finley and Bill Duncan will be relied upon to hold down the 440 and hurdles, respectively. Football halfback Les Snyder will do most of the short running for the team.

Frank Enzor, Fred Davis, Dave Steffen, Dan Sundberg, and Dave Hussang will also return to try their power in the field events.

Even with all the talent that has come to Waggener it will depend entirely on the showing in the field events as to whether the Cats will be able to hold on over such powers as Elizabethtown,



John Thompson

Flaget and Shawnee all of whom they will meet on April 14.

## Baseball

The 1961 Waggener baseball team will place their hopes for another successful season in the hands of their pitching staff.

Seniors Ken Lewis, John



Phil Scheerer

Thompson, and Jim Lapsley, who made up the major part of last year's staff, will be joined by junior southpaw Bill Ransom to form what should be one of the best pitching staffs in the county.

Ransom and several other boys, who will move up from last year's J.V. squad, should help to fill the gaps left by last year's seniors.

The 1960 squad finished with a 13-6 record. They barely lost the county championship to Butler in a play-off game, won the 25th district, and lost in the region 2-3 to state champion Atherton.

Seniors Warren Van Hoose, Mount Davis, Bill Hamman, Steve Porter, Tom Ryan, and Bruce Martin will be counted on to carry big sticks at the plate.

Martin will be in the catcher's box to stop the hot tosses coming across the plate. He is one of the

best catchers in the county and can always be counted on to do a good job.

Big Mount will carry a big glove to catch all the throws at first base.

Porter and Ryan will probably play second and third base re-



Diane Taylor

spectively Van Hoose and Hamman should make up two-thirds of the outfield.

## Golf

Senior Phil Scheerer, who usually swings a gavel at student council meetings, will soon be swinging a big club for the Waggener golf team.

This sweet swinging senior whose easy going style of play has been compared with the great Billy Casper will join with seven other boys to form a lung hitting team.

The 1961 team will have three regulars and four alternates from last year's eight man squad. The two other returning regulars besides Phil are junior Jack Burriec and sophomore Ricky Acree.

The four returning alternates are: freshman, Ronnie Acree, seniors, Bill Bowden, and Andy Dixon, and junior Randy Phillips.

Experience is no problem for this year's team. Phil and Andy will be playing their fourth year on the team while Jack, Ricky, and Ronnie will be playing their third.

Top prospects for filling the other position on the team are Henry Connor and Sam McDonald.

This year's chief competition should come from Seneca High. The Redskins have all of their team back from last year which came in first in the state.

If this year's team continues to improve as the teams in the past have, Waggener should have a state golf champion.

## Inside Sports

by Dave Bennett

In the last few weeks the question has arisen: are athletics over-emphasized in Jefferson County schools? The answer would have to be an emphatic No. To prove this, we see that spring football practice has been dropped. Athletes are not excused from school early in order to receive an extra hour of practice. Coaches are under no pressure to win. They are hired first as a teacher, then as a coach. There is not a single example in Jefferson County of it being mandatory for a coach to win. There is no pressure applied by the parents to the administration to produce a winning team.



DAVE BENNETT

J.C. Has Sound Program  
The athletic program in Jefferson County is one of the soundest in the United States. When Waggener was first starting an athletic program, the school issued only 22 uniforms for football and 10 for basketball. The school gave only a minimum of money for equipment. Now in this short time the athletic program has become completely self-supporting. The school reorders no monetary assistance at all. The athletic program's purpose is not to make money but to provide the participant a wholesome type of recreation. This provides a way for people to serve their school.

## Are Sports Really Over Emphasized In Schools?

By participating in athletics we welcome a good rivalry. This makes the action more exciting to the participants and spectators as well. When Louisville had only three boys' schools—Male, Manual and St. Xavier—there was more emphasis on high school athletics than there is now. When we are scheduled to meet our rivals, I fail to see where the students are in such a "frenzied state" that they are uncontrollable.

## Pep Rallies Are Limited

Pep rallies in the county are limited. During the basketball season and tournaments we had five assemblies. This does not sound like over-emphasis when some schools have weekly rallies.

Most city schools have alumni organizations who handle most of the athletic problems and furnish money to fill the athletic coffers. This is not true in the county. Waggener does have a Development Association. This is a group of men who have helped us obtain a stadium and have aided in selling season tickets.

It used to be the athlete who was usually the school leader. This is still true although he now shares the spotlight with the bright student. One is no longer compelled to be an athlete to be a leader. While a sports program adds much to a high school, it is difficult to see how it can be termed "over-emphasized."

## Mermaids Beat Eastern; Jean Todd Wins Twice

In their first meet in two years the girls' swimming team defeated Eastern 45-32 in the Henry Clay Pool, March 15.

Jean Todd proved to be the most impressive mermaid as she carried off the two firsts in the eight-event meet. She carried the 100-yard breast stroke; following the 200-yard individual won by Tina Rogers. Diane Laffoon came in third in the medley.

Peggy Barrows came in first in the 100-yard butterfly followed

by her sister Betsy Barrows in third.

In the 100-yard freestyle, Waggener came in 1-2 with Sandra Henderson and Martha Robertson easily outdistancing their Eastern opponents.

The 200-yard medley relay was the final event and Jenny King, Tina Rogers, Peggy Barrows, and Sue Wilkerson took off to handily defeat their East End rival.

The team has no other meets scheduled but is still open for any comers.

Courtesy *The Chit-Chat*, April 13, 1961:

# Inside Sports

by Dave Bennett



One of the most important athletic events at Waggener is in full swing now. The junior high basketball tournament is now being played. This gives us insight on how our basketball team will shape up in the future. Organized basketball at Waggener does not start until the freshman year so this tournament gives invaluable experience to all participants.

There are three games played every afternoon with the seventh graders playing first and eighth graders second. It is a single elimination tournament with a championship game between the two victors.

The tournament is heartily supported by underclassmen but tournament director Morris Chilton urges all basketball enthusiasts to watch the action. The games have been well played and sportsmanship prevails over all.

**Pushing the athletic year** at Waggener down the home stretch are the spring sports which are now in full swing. With the tennis, golf, baseball and track teams in action the trophy case should pick up some valuable hardware.

The fireballers of Coach Roy Adams could go as far as second in the state. Once again St. Xavier will have to be given the best

chance for the top spot.

Roy Winchester's golfers are capable of taking the state crown. Consistency has been the golfers main problem but they hope this will be eliminated by tourney time. Seneca should offer the Cats their roughest competition.

**The baseball team** was hurt by graduation but Coach Vernon Jones believes he has the material to plug the gap. With proper breaks this team could go to the state.

Coach Deim's trackmen were also hurt by graduation but the sprinters have been working out during vacation and should tell by the early part of the season.

**These teams are** just as much a part of the athletic program as football and basketball. The success of these teams could rest on the support given them by the school. There is no admission charge for any of these events and we urge everyone to pick their favorite and support it.

**A belated congratulations** to Mike Gambill and Paul Long for earning a spot on the *Courier-Journal* All State Basketball Team. Gambill and Long polled enough votes for an honorable mention rating and thus join the state's finest roundballers in receiving this award.

## Acree Fires 75; Wins Qualifying Medal

Ronnie Acree, Waggener's freshman phenomenon, led the field in the first 18 holes of qualifying for the golf team at Crescent Hill Golf Course which was held March 28 and 29.

Ronnie fired a three-over par 75 on rounds of 36-39. He was followed by Phil Schiever, Jack Burrice, and Ricky Acree, who all had 81's. These four boys will play the first four positions in the first

match the beginning of next week.

Bill Bowden (41-47), 90 and Terry Blake (46-48), 94 placed fifth and sixth. The rest of the field was spread out behind these boys.

Coach Roy Winchester announced the River Road Country Club will be the home course for the golf team this year. The final nine holes of qualifying were being held there Tuesday.

### A Rare Privilege?

## A Round Of Golf With J. B.



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Waggener 1

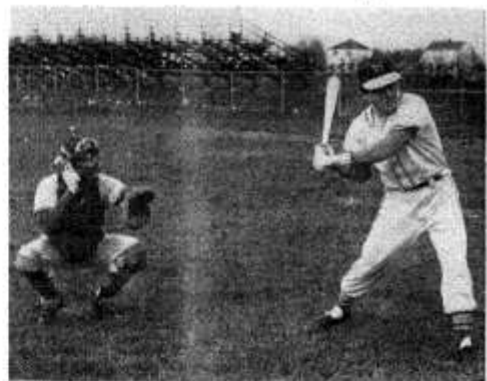
Rejoice, dear hearts! You are about to embark on a rare journey few are privileged to witness. Destination? Unknown. Launching site? First hole at River Road Country Club where Jack Burrice pays his daily pilgrimage to the great god of golfdom, Ulysses Sneed, otherwise known as Sam. Join us, then, as we present a blow-by-blow account of a "Round of Golf with J. B."

- 2:53—Bell rings.
- 2:56—Jack "Cool Breere" Burrice flies out of class, down to his locker, out to car, and roars away from the parking lot in record time of 1:57 flat.
- 2:58—Runs over patrol lady on way out of parking lot.
- 3:07—Pulls in at River Road Country Club.
- 3:08—Breaks shoestring on golf shoes.
- 3:09—Curses.
- 3:10—Grabs clubs and joins the "fellows" on first tee.
- 3:12—Searches frantically for golf ball.
- 3:13—Finds beat up Po-Do. Curses.
- 3:15—Receives usual round of encouragement from friends (Watch out for that elephant out there, Jack; Don't slice, Jack, that's out of bounds over there; Say, who was that blonde I saw you with last night?)
- 3:18—Hits pitiful hook 125 yards. Curses.
- 3:20—Hits beautiful second shot that somehow catches the lip of that sand trap.
- 3:22—Attempts to "blast" ball out of trap; moves it 6 inches. Curses.
- 3:23—Another blast. More curses.
- 3:24—Jack disappears into huge sand pit still chopping at the ball.
- 3:25—\*\*\*\*//cc\*\* etc.
- 3:27—Finally gets ball out of trap onto green in a remarkable 34 shots.
- 3:28—Sinks putt for a thrilling 35.
- 3:30-5:00—Finds his focus, finishes strong with 8 pars for a hard-earned 68.
- 5:01—Tollies score and reluctantly pays off bets.
- 5:02—"Fellows," after receiving wagers from Jack, give him his collateral back (his car keys).
- 5:03—Jack, tired and battle-worn, retires to 19th hole for a 7-up or some other equally refreshing drink.

# Demons Try For First Victory; Thinlies Open Season In 4-way Meet

Unlike previous years the county has been divided into two baseball sections each having their own champions. Playing in the East Section will be Waggener, Fern Creek, Eastern, Durrett and Seneca. In the West Section will be Butler, Valley, Fairdale, Southern and Pleasure Ridge Park. In the usual robin scheduling each team will play members of its section twice and members of the opposite section once. A county champion could be determined only if arrangements could be made to the acceptability of both of the section champions.

Therefore, through a somewhat muggy baseball picture Waggener will pit itself against the Demons of Durrett here this afternoon in an effort to start an undefeated season against all teams in the East Section.



BRUCE MARTIN backs up Mount Davis who takes a practice swing. Waggener plays Durrett this afternoon at home.

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Editor - Bill Bowden

### WAGGENER HIGH SCHOOL

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In two years of varsity ball, Durrett has yet to defeat the powerful Wildcats.

On April 18 Waggener will play its third game of the season against Fern Creek on the Fern Creek field.

Highlighting last year's final game with this team was a 9 to 0 forfeit after the ejection of several Tiger players and their coach. Up until the forfeit, fireballer Richie Stokes had been throwing a no batter.

Fern Creek is the second game of a five game string of East Section teams.

### 1961 Baseball Schedule

April	
11—Waggener vs. Butler	there
13—Durrett vs. Waggener	here
15—Waggener vs. Fern Creek	there
20—Eastern vs. Waggener	here
23—Waggener vs. Seneca	there
May	
2—Waggener vs. Durrett	there
3—Mammal vs. Waggener	here
4—Valley vs. Waggener	here
8-9-10-11—District Tournament	
15—Waggener vs. Manual	there
16—Fern Creek vs. Waggener	here
18—Waggener vs. Southern	there
21—Waggener vs. Eastern	there
24-25—Regional Tournaments	
30—Waggener vs. Pleasure Ridge	there
June	
1—Seneca vs. Waggener	here
*—Waggener vs. Fairdale	there
*date not yet set	

Coach Martin Deim's Waggener thinlies will open the 1961 track season with a quadrangular meet with Shawnee, Flaget, and Elizabethtown Friday night, April 14, on the Shawnee track.

This promises to be an interesting and challenging experience for the Wildcats. They have their work cut out for them, judging from their opponents' showing in the recent Mason Dixon Games at Freedom Hall. E-town won the mile relay for out-of-town high schools, Shawnee won the mile relay for Louisville city schools, and Flaget finished third in the private schools' mile relay. In addition Flaget's Arthur Alexander won the high school 50 yard dash. The 800 yard run should be an exciting duel between E-town's Russell Banks, and Waggener's Bateh Matthis. Banks won one heat of the 800 at the Mason Dixon Games, while Matthis finished second in the other heat of the same event.

Track practice started officially for the Wildcats March 27. Coach Deim seems satisfied with the workouts and hopes that Waggenerites will support the team in its debut.

### 1961 Track

April	
11—Eastern vs. Waggener	there
14—Flaget, Shawnee, Elizabethtown, Waggener	at Shawnee
17—Fern Creek, Pleasure Ridge, Waggener	here
24—Waggener vs. Flaget	at Bellarmine
May	
5—K.M.I., Fern Creek, Waggener	at K.M.I.

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## Jones Blames Mistakes For Slow Start



LET'S WIN . . . Left to right front row: Weikel, Neal, Martin, Lapsley, Lovelace, Lewis. Middle row: Ransom, Porter, Pope, Coombs, Spangler, Patrick, Combs. Top row: Coach Jones, Thompson, Sandberg, Hammond, Davis, Riley, Ryan, Coach Woodard.

## Trackmen Take Third Place At Shawnee; Netters Win Three; Golfers Stay Undefeated

Waggener's trackmen opened the 1961 season by placing third behind Shawnee and Flaget in a quadrangular meet held at Shawnee on April 14. Valley finished fourth.

Butch Mathis gave his usual steady performance, finishing second in the mile, winning the half mile, and running a good leg of the mile relay. Sophomore John Koen placed second and fourth in the high and low hurdles respectively. Ken Boiarsky earned strong firsts in both the shot put and discus.

About 1000 fans turned out to witness the spectacle. Shawnee track officials expressed satisfaction at the response and plan to stage other night meets in the near future.

Waggener's speedsters gained victory over Pleasure Ridge and Fern Creek in the season's second meet, at K.M.I., April 29.

The Wildcats posted eight first places and would have had ten

had not Mathis' victory in the mile and Koen's low hurdles win been disqualified in controversial decisions.

Tomorrow Coach Deim's thinks again journey to K.M.I. to encounter the K.M.I. Cadets.

### Tennis

The netters registered a 5-2 victory over Kentucky Military Institute on April 12 at the Plantation Club. Pam Sullivan, Woody Axton, and Sue Stafford won singles matches, and Pam Sullivan and Biggs Tabler teamed to take a doubles match.

Waggener nuzzled out Atherton 4-3 on April 14 at the Plantation Club. In the singles Pam Sullivan, Buddy Orr, and Rusty Garth were victorious, and Sue Stafford and Pam Sullivan teamed to win a doubles match.

The third victory came at the expense of Durrett by a score of 7-0 on April 19 at the Louisville Boat Club. Woody Axton, Pam

Sullivan, Sue Stafford, Biggs Tabler, and Rusty Garth won singles matches. On the doubles, Dave Bennett and Buddy Orr won one match, and Sue Stafford and Pam Sullivan won the other.

### Golf

Waggener's golf team defeated Obham County 185-200 Friday, April 12, at the Obham County Country Club.

The duffers were led by Ronnie Acree's one-over-par 37 and Rick Acree's 41. They were followed by Phil Scherer, 43, and Bill Bowden, 45. Low man for the Colonels was Roy Coy with 43.

The linksters won their second match in as many tries, edging Atherton 185-167 Thursday, April 20, at River Road Country club.

Phil Scherer, with a 58, had the low tally of the day, followed by Ronnie Acree, 59, Rick Acree, 49, and Jack Burrier, 48. For the Rebels, David Schweitzer fired a 39, Jay Andrews, 41, Buddy Frankenburg, 42, and Steve Simpson, 43.

## Durrett Demons Invade Tuesday

"We're not thinking" was the only excuse offered by Coach Jones on the loss to Fern Creek. "Kenny (Lewis) pitched winning ball but we just made too many mistakes to back him up."

When asked about the Eastern victory Coach Woodard replied that he thought the game would be the turning point of the season. "I think we can go all the way now. (John) Thompson pitched real well. We had only one bad inning when they scored on us twice, but other than that we just need some polishing up."

By defeating Eastern 9-4 last Thursday the Wildcats built up a 2-1 sectional record. The only section loss was to Fern Creek by a 2-1 margin on their field. Durrett had been previously defeated 3-3 when catcher Bruce Martin bagged a three run homer in the fourth.

So far both section wins have been credited to the pitching of Senior John Thompson.

If the pitching staff can hold its composite E.R.A. of 2.0 and the power hitters, led by the duo of Tom Ryan and Bruce Martin, could back up the good pitching Waggener would present a formidable foe for any of the County teams.

The Durrett Demons will invade Waggener for the final time this season next Tuesday when the face the Cats in an effort to break the three year old jinx of losses to the Wildcats.

The next day Manual will come to play the second of a three day homestand in the first of two city games that have been scheduled. In the past two years Manual has come out victorious each time but has yet to play on the Waggener field. Last year's contest came two days before the Cats were scheduled to play Butler in the play off for the County Championship.

Valley will be here one week from today trying to break the 1-1 deadlocked record with the Cats.



HEAVE-HO! . . . Big Ken Boiarsky displays the form and strength that makes him one of the best shot put throwers in the state.

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Spring Sports**

## Inside Sports Bright Future Appears Certain For Baseballers

Dave Bennett

A seemingly bright future is ahead for the Waggener varsity baseball team. Six sophomores and two freshmen join the squad and have been pushing last years regulars for a position. As of now, no one is assured of a steady job. The following are playing with the varsity for the first time.

- Don Lovelace — Pitcher, southpaw, uses assortment of slow breaking pitches.
- Bill Ransom — Southpaw pitcher, fast, good curve.
- Barney Neal — Right-handed pitcher, fast, good curve.
- Mike Patrick — Fine shortstop, good hitter, excellent prospect.
- Dan Sunberg — Infield, good hitter, first string.
- Don Spangler — good infielder, played well in Durrett game, could take over second base.
- Butch Riley — good fielder and hitter, top notch freshman prospect.
- Phil Combs — Freshman, good hitter and fielder, good prospect.
- Bruce Smith — good pinch hitter, should be first string catcher next year.

Ken Boiarsky, senior member of Waggener's track team, has made quite an impression on track

followers during the early part of the season. Boiarsky won the shot put and discus events, setting a new Shawnee track record in the process. These were also new school records for Waggener. The Atherton transfer added strength and fitness to the previously weak field segment of the team.

One of the 50 freshmen seeking a spot on the University of Kentucky football team is Waggener grad Kit Georgeboon. Kit, after completing a successful year on the freshman squad, should find the switch quite a challenge. During spring practice the freshmen try to surpass the varsity members efforts so to earn a place on the team. Their ability to do so decides the depth of their stay.



MEL BORLAND

We are glad to report that Dell Basketball Magazine has picked Waggener to be one of the top teams in the state next year. Paul Long, junior sharpshooter, was also given a spot on the states top ten players list for the coming season. The only weak spot we could find was the lack of a real big man.

Congratulations to Mel Borland for starting for Centre against U.K.

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HERE ARE THE 1961 CHAMPS of the 8th grade class basketball tourney. They are SP, coached by Mr. Roy Watkins. Top row, left to right: Billy Metcalf, Lyle Metcalf, Ova Land, Clotry Bonds, Vernon Laster. Bottom row: Dennis Calton, Wayne Wilson, Jack Copeland, Robert Herrick.

## Netters Run Record To 6-1; Trackmen Tie One, Lose Two

Waggener's tennis team added Trinity, Flaget, and Seneca to its win column, but suffered its first defeat at the hands of St. Xavier.

The Wildcats are undefeated in the County to lead the current race, and have a 6-1 overall record.

Powerful St. X. ranked number 1 in the state, handed the Waggener netters their first loss by a score of 6-2 on April 25 at the Louisville Boat Club. The Wildcats had two victors in single matches, Rusty Garth and Biggs Tabler.

Waggener edged Trinity by a score of 4-3 on April 27 at the Louisville Boat Club. Buddy Orr, Pam Sullivan, Rusty Garth, and Biggs Tabler won singles matches.

The netters knocked off Flaget, 6-2, on May 3 at Shawnee Park. Pam Sullivan, Biggs Tabler, Buddy Orr, Rusty Garth, and Sue Stafford took singles victories. Sue Stafford and Gail Haasman teamed to take a doubles match.

The Wildcats defeated Seneca, 6-3, on May 3 at the Louisville Boat Club. Waggener winners in the singles were Woody Axton, Buddy Orr, Pam Sullivan, Biggs

Tabler, and Rusty Garth. Pam Sullivan and Rusty Garth took a doubles match.

### TRACK

The Waggener trackmen rallied to tie the Flaget harriers on the Bellarmine track, April 24.

Trailing by twenty points, the Wildcats captured the mile relay, placed second in the high jump, and took first, second, and third in the discus to achieve a 79-79 dead-lock.

Waggener's cindermen suffered their first loss in dual competition, 66-63, at the hands of Southern on the K.M.I. track, May 2. The Cats were without the services of Ken Boiarsky, field events ace.

The thimbles took it on the chin for the second straight day, losing to Seneca, 79-40, on the Seneca track, May 3. Waggener achieved six firsts compared to 9 for Seneca, but the Redskins amassed numerous points through seconds and thirds to account for the large winning margin. Injuries and lack of depth hurt the Wildcats' cause.

## Golfers Are Undefeated In 7 Starts; Cat Batsmen Down Manual Nine

No spring sport is enjoying more success than the golf team. The linksters are rolling along with a 7-0 win-lost record, gaining victories over the best of the city and county.

Now the duffers are pointing toward the regional playoffs to be held May 15 at Shelbyville. Participating in this regional will be all the county teams, plus Oldham County, Shelby County, and Owen County.

In order for a team to advance to the state tournament, their aggregate 4-man score, playing 18 holes apiece, must not exceed 328. Any individual, no matter what his team may shoot, can qualify for the state if he shoots an 82 or better. The state tournament will be held May 23 and 24 at Lexington.

Proceeding the regional, there will be a city-county playoff to determine the best team from this area. This was held yesterday. Seneca Eastern, Atherion, Trinity, K.M.I., Louisville Country Day, and Waggener make up the eastern section of this playoff, while St. X., Shawnee, DeSales, and Flaget comprise the western part. The top two teams from each area will compete. This competition has no bearing on the regional or state tournament.

Coach Roy Winchester expressed these opinions about the tournament:

"The regional will be a battle between Waggener, Trinity, and Seneca. These three teams will probably all be in the top five in the state also."

Here are the latest scores:

### WAGGENER 172, K.M.I. 235

Waggener—Drew Arns 16, 24th Ave 41, 7th Street 43, 2nd Street 47, K.M.I.—Gus Johnson 74, Tom Parker 41, Ted Laska 46, Kip Gray 43.

### WAGGENER 150, TRINITY 162

Waggener—Drew Arns 37, Barker 39, Ben Arns 39, 2nd Ave 40, Trifly—Joe Lucas 38, Tom Galbraith 39, Bob Wilson 42, Tom Davis 45.

### WAGGENER 139, VALLEY 239

Waggener—Drew Arns 36, Ben Arns 40, Tom Castle 40, Ben Arns 42, Valley—Felix 48, Frank 51, Tom 52, Witting 54.

### WAGGENER 160, EASTERN 219

Waggener—Drew Arns 34, Ben Arns 40, 2nd Ave 41, Brown 41.

### BASEBALL

"We can beat any team in the Region if we keep on playing as we did today against Manual," Coach Jones stated after the game last Wednesday.

Manual, alleged to be the most

powerful team in the City, was defeated 2-9 by the Wildcats in the third game of a four game win streak. The game was the third loss in 21 starts for the Big Red.

Bill Powers of Manual was given the loss.

### Durrett Downed

The Wildcats had kept the string alive by defeating Durrett 11-10 on Tuesday.

Valley also dropped by the way-side last Thursday as the Waggener batsmen outslugged them six hits to one in a 9-0 victory.

Steve Foster proved to be the big hitter for the Cats, going two for three with a home run into left field in the fifth.

Bill Rinsen was given the win, his first of the year.

The District Tournament started this week making way for the Regionals to be held May 24 and 25.

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Ken Lewis was credited with the win, a two hitter, for Waggen-



7TH GRADE CHAMPS of the Basketball Tourney are from left to right, front: Johnny Foeman, Jim Ohlendorf, Gil Frazier. Top: Kit Bolus, Marlin Jackson, T. H. Jarvis.

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## Inside Sports

Dave Bennett

**Why is Waggener** lacking an intramural program? Talking to physical education teachers we found the main reason to be lack of facilities. "Facilities are definitely not adequate at Waggener for an intramural program." This was the opinion expressed by Mr. Vernon Jones and shared by other physical education teachers. Most intramural programs are held during the school hours. This is impossible to do at Waggener.



DAVE BENNETT

There is really a shortage of space for the P.E. program to operate the way it should.

**The only other solution** would be to hold the program after school. This would be a problem for sponsors as they would have to stay after school. It would be hard for some of the participants who usually depend on the school buses to obtain a ride.

The only other outlet for some to participate would be the school sponsored football and basketball programs, or the varsity activities in the spring sport program. These teams carry the maximum of members so as to give everyone a chance to

## Inadequate Facilities Strangle Intramural Sports

participate in some way. The program is designed to furnish a way for more people to participate in a school sport. As Coach Jones pointed out, the only weakness in the spring sports program is the lack of backing by the student body.

**A prime example** of this would be the lack of support given the track team. Track is the oldest of all forms of sports. In other states track and field is the big sport, but not in Kentucky. Perhaps this is because so many people know nothing about it.

To be a state champion in track is the equivalent of being on the All-State football team, or making the Kentucky All-Stars in basketball. Waggener has in Butch Mathis a speedster who holds two state championships. The basketball and football teams can draw nearly 2000 people to an average game. The track team can hardly draw 200 to see one of the finest trackmen in the state.

**The regional track meet** is in its second day at Bellarmine. The golf and baseball tournaments are drawing near, yet people seem uninterested. By giving your support, it could mean the difference between a second and first place for these teams.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:

## Spring sports in full swing at Waggener; baseball team loses opener to Butler Bears

By DAVE BENNETT

The Spring Sport season is in full swing at Waggener as the baseball, tennis and track teams began competition last week.

The baseball team of coach Vern Jones was set back by the Butler Bears in their first encounter. Although Cat hurlers Jim Lapsley, John Thompson,

and Ken Lewis limited the bears to only two runs the Cats were able to pick up just one as they dropped the seasons opener. In the second game against Durrett Thompson and Lewis pitched the Cats to a 9-3 victory.

"Doc" Adams' tennis team picked up two victories in as many attempts as they downed K.M.L. 5-2 and Atherton 4-3.

Victors for Waggener against the Cadets were Pam Sullivan, Sue Stafford, Woody Axton, and Rusty Garth in the singles and Sullivan and Biggs Tabler in the doubles.

The winners against Atherton were Sullivan, Axton, Garth, and Buddy Orr in the singles while Sullivan and Stafford emerged victorious in the doubles.

The trackmen of Coach Marty Diem placed third in a four way track meet at Shawnee last Friday. The thirlies picked up 28½ points compared to 60 for Shawnee, 35 for Flaget, and 26 for Valley. For Waggener John Koon placed second in the high hurdles and fourth in the low hurdles. Butch Mathis won the 880 and placed second in the mile run.

Kenny Boiarsky won the shot put followed by Mike Gambill who was third. Boiarsky also took first in the Discus followed by Frank Ensor, second and Fred Davis, third.

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## Waggener golfers win over Trinity, Country Day

By DAVE BENNETT

The Waggener golf team won matches from Trinity and Country Day to remain undefeated. The tennis team lost their first match of the year to St. Xavier but bounced back to defeat Trinity.

The golfers under Coach Roy Winchester fired their best round of golf this year as they downed Trinity 155-162. Low for the cats was Phil Scherer 37, followed by Ron Acree and Jack Burrice with 39's and Rick Acree with a 40. Trinity was led by Joe Lenihan, 38, Jim Gahrpka 39, Bob Kitten 42, and Jim Doekter 43.

Country Day was a 167-185 victim Monday. Scherer and Ron Acree led the way with 41's. Burrice and Rick Acree fired a 42 and 43 respectively. Low man for Country Day was Ken Hamm with a 42. Other scores were Pete Neblett 43, Eddie Middleton 45, and Albert Hulbert 55.

The tennis team could salvage only two victories over state powerhouse St. X as the Tigers rolled to a 6-2 victory. Biggs Tabler and Rusty Garth were the only winners.

The cats came back against Trinity downing The Shamrocks 4-3. Winning for Waggener were Buddy Orr, Pam Sullivan, Biggs Tabler, and Rusty Garth. Charlie Kane won the only singles match for Trinity downing Waggener's Woody Axton. Kane teamed with Joe Durkin to whip Axton and Orr in doubles. Cappy Hoskins and Alan Hamilton were also victorious in doubles.

May 4, 1961

## Waggener wins over Southern

By BILL BOWDEN

Waggener's regional championship baseball team downed Southern 7-4 Wednesday, May 31, to run their season's record to 17-3.

Ace righthander Kenny Lewis hurled a six-hitter and held the Trojans to one run until the seventh inning, when they counted three. The Cats exploded for six runs in the sixth to assure the victory.

This was the final sharpener for the Wildcats before the State tourney, which was being played yesterday and today at Lexington.

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Lewis and Martin, Weikel (?); Bruner and Grant.

June 8, 1961

## Waggener golfers pick up two wins over Atherton

BY DAVE BENNETT

The Waggener golf team picked up two victories over Atherton and K. M. L. to give them a 3-0 slate.

Rounding out the spring sports program the tennis team defeated Durrett the track team downed Pleasure Ridge Park and Fern Creek in a triangular meet and tied Flaget in a dual meet. The Baseball team broke even losing to Fern Creek but whipping Eastern.

Phil Scherer led the golf team to a 165-167 victory over Atherton with a 9 hole total of 38. Close behind were Ronnie and Rick Acree with a 39, and 40. Jack Burrice fired a 48.

The Acree brothers were again stars as Waggener downed K. M. L. 172-173 Monday at Owl Creek. Ronnie's 40 and Rick's 41 were low for the cats. Scherer and Burrice had a 44 and 47 respectively.

Durrett was the victim as the Tennis Team swept to a 7-0 victory over the Demons on Wednesday. Winning for the cats in singles were Woody Axton, Pam Sullivan, Biggs Tabler, Sue Stafford, and Rusty Garth. The doubles were won by Dave Bennett and Buddy Orr, and Sullivan and Stafford. Waggener is the county favorite as St. X is in the city.

The Waggener Trackmen swept over Pleasure Ridge and Fern Creek by a 64-47½-35¼ score. Winning for Waggener were John Koon in the high hur-

dles, Ed Morris in the mile, Butch Mathis in the 880, Bob Bower in the broad jump, Ken Boiarsky and Frank Ensor in the shot-put and discus. The cats mile and half mile relay team was also victorious.

A real rarity was seen as the Waggener and Flaget track teams tied 59-59 Monday at Bellemeine College Track.

Taking a first for the Cats were Koon — high hurdles, Mathis — mile run, Mathis — 880, Boiarsky — shot put and discus and Morris in the pole vault. The mile relay team composed of Gordon Finley, Mathis, Bower and Clary were also winners.

Bill Pharis threw a two hitter for Fern Creek as the Tigers downed Waggener 2-1 at Fern Creek. Waggener hurler Ken Lewis allowed only 3 hits but walked in the winning run in the sixth inning.

The cats had an easy time in picking up their second victory of the year as they downed Eastern 9-4. Waggener collected 5 hits to 7 for Eastern but the difference was in fielding where the eagles made 6 errors. John Thompson (2-0) was the winning pitcher.

May 4, 1961

## Waggener nine defeats Manual 2-0, Valley 3-0

by DAVE BENNETT

The Waggener baseball team downed State Champions Manual 2-0 and whipped Valley 3-0 to sweep the past weeks action.

Senior pitcher Kenny Lewis hurled a beautiful two hitter to down the Crimson's who had

previously lost only 3 of 18 games. Bill Ransom came back in the next game to succumb Valley with a 1 hitter. Steve Porter supplied the power by blasting a solo home run.

The tennis team ended their season with a 6-2 victory over Flaget and a 6-1 win over Seneca.

Against Flaget winners for Waggener were Buddy Orr, Pam Sullivan, Rusty Garth, Biggs Tabler, and Sue Stafford, Gayle Hassman and Stafford copped their doubles match.

Winners against Seneca were Woody Axton, Orr, Sullivan, Garth, Tabler, and Sullivan and Garth in doubles.

Phil Scherer fired a 38 to lead the unbeaten Waggener golfers over Eastern 160-214. Rick Acree fired a 40 and Ron Acree and Jack Burrice 41's. The Cats picked up victories over Valley 165-210 and Pleasure Ridge Park.

Waggener's track team lost meets to Seneca, 70-48, and Southern, 63-55. Picking up a first place against Seneca were Butch Mathis, mile, Cleary, 440, Mathis, 880, Ken Boiarsky, shot put and discus, and Warren Van Hoose a tie in the high jump.

Victories against Southern were Ed Morris-100 yard dash, Mathis-mile and 880, Cleary-440, Allen Purdy-220, Fred Davis-discus, and the mile relay team composed of Mathis, Cleary, Bob Bower and Gordon Finley.

May 11, 1961

Courtesy *The Chit-Chat*, May 23, 1961:

## Baseballers Win District, Enter Region Wednesday



Photo by F. Greiner

**GOOD GOIN' KEN . . .** Pitcher Kenny Lewis happily accepts the 28th District Championship Trophy after the K.M.I. game last May 11.

### Flaget, Manual, Valley In Regions

By defeating K.M.I. and winning the 28th District championship May 11 the Waggener baseball team earned the privilege to enter the Regional Wednesday and Thursday. Valley, Flaget, and Manual are the other three teams in the final eliminations.

The major contenders in the Regionals are expected to be perennial state power Manual, who now owns a 230 run better record, and Waggener who has defeated the Big Red once this year by a score of 2-0.

In the regular season the Cats have brought their record to 2-3 with victories over Eastern, K.M.I. and Fern Creek. The only loss was to Manual on their field by a score of 4-3.

Power hitting men on the team have developed in catcher Bruce Martin, left-fielder Tom Ryan, and shortstop Mike Patrick.

Martin hit a homer in the Manual game to tie the score in the 7th inning that sailed out into the parking area beyond center field. It is accredited to be the longest hit ball this year.



—Courier-Journal and Times Photo

**WERE HAPPY . . .** Atherton's Kate Lowe and Waggener's Pam Sullivan look over the trophies they won at the state tournament last May 12.

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### All Right You Guys, Who Did It? . . .

## Fun, Jokes Are Still In Sports

To win in sports, teams must practice so vigorously that athletes at times become more work than fun.

However, there are funny incidents also. For example, while dressing for a basketball game at Fern Creek, hefty guard Ken Lewis split his pants. Quick as a flash Mrs. Adams, the official statistician, located a sewing machine in the home-department and repaired the britches so that Lew was able to start the game.

Much of the humor of the basketball team centered around the managers, Walker Cunningham, Don Martin, and Ian Zlotow. Visitors to practice would find the boys deeply engrossed in a daily poker game. One day Mr. Adams became disgusted with the horse-play and made Martin run laps along with the players. Just before

the district tournament, a nasty rumor arose that only two managers would be allowed to sit on the bench during tournament games. The boys argued as to who it would be and even tried to lock each other in the Coach's room.

Swimming had its gay moments, too. When the team went to Columbus, Indiana for a meet, Mr. Chilton accompanied them and packed his car in front of the school. He went out a different door from the one he had entered, and spent fifteen minutes trying to find his car. Upon locating the vehicle he said, "If this don't beat all."

Hot weather, injuries, hard squeaky beds, and lack of girls combined to produce an arduous football camp at Danville. One night after a difficult scrimmage players awoke to see Frank Enzer

sleepwalking and patching small hairfracks around Mr. Brunsbawler visited the camp on the last day and lined up the players for a picture. Peering into the camera lens at twenty eight scowling figures, and realizing that a simple "cheese" would not change their expressions, he said "All right, everybody say '\*%\*&%'!"

Last year the baseball team journeyed to Valley for a game, only to discover that the Vikings were at Waggener and that the two teams had probably passed each other on the way.

There is an old saying that "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." Judging from these recounted experiences and numerous others like them, one would hardly imagine athletes to be too dull.

## Girls Tennis Tops In State; Mathis Wins; Linksters Lose

### TENNIS

Pam Sullivan won the state singles championship in the second annual Girl's State High School Tennis Tourney, which was played on May 11 and 12 at Shawnee Park.

Pam, seeded No. 1, came through to win the singles with a 5-2, 6-0 victory over Martha Schey of Southern. Waggener was close to a clean sweep in the state as the doubles team of Gayle Haseman and Sue Stafford advanced to the finals before bowing to Atherton's duo, 6-2, 7-5.

Axton was defeated by Charlie Kaas of Trinity, and Gerth by Greg McConcill of Eastern in the semis, but both the semi-finalists and finalists advance to the state tourney.

### TRACK

Butch Mathis became the sole representative of the Waggener track team in the state tournament when he won his specialty, the halfmile run, in the county division of the Regional Track Meet held May 10, 11, and 12 at Bellarmine College.

Mathis had some competition in the early going, but pulled away at the end to win going away. His time of 2:00.3 broke a meet record set only last year by departed Waggener senior David White. White ran the distance in 2:00.5.

The only other man in the money was Ken Boirasky, who placed 4th in the discus event.

The mile relay team of Bob Bower, John Koon, Gordon Finley, and Jim Clary placed 9th and Koon had a 5th in the high hurdles.

### GOLF

The golf team was handed its first loss of the season when Seneca outstroked them by 10, 162-161, Thursday, May 11.

It was the first match for the Cats in a week, and the rain must have put some rust on their swings. The best score for the Cats was Phil Scherer's 42.

SENECA 162, WAGGENER 161

Seneca—Bobby Gidige 37, Eric Vidler 40, Joe Fluckiger 40, Ed Deery 40. Waggener—Henry G. Jack Burns 41, Ben Jere 41, Don Jones 41.

## Inside Sports

By Dave Bennett

### Young Sports Teams Show A Fine Start

The athletic year at Waggener has been a highly successful one. All teams were constantly upholding the fine Waggener spirit that has won high acclaim. To show their gratitude to the students, Coaches Deim and Jones made these statements.

"The student body has certainly done a wonderful job of supporting the athletic teams this year. It's plain that our school is definitely on the upgrade. Pride in your teams is a wonderful thing and the Waggener students have a great pride in their teams and their school," commented Deim.

Coch Jones stated, "For a school as young as Waggener we have been a strong competitor in athletics this year. Nearly all have given a good account of themselves. The coaches deeply appreciate the kind of boys they have to work with."

The year began with the husky football team winning 7 out of 10 games and copping the Burley Bowl. Senior Les Snyder also was awarded the coveted Pierce Trophy for county high-scoring honor.

The basketball season was off to a rousing start with a hard fought victory over St. Xavier.

The season roiled along till the district finals when we dropped a 1 point decision to Seneca. The Redskins went on to represent the 7th region in the state tournament.

The spring sports came and on the most part were highly successful. The golf team went undefeated until the middle of May when they were defeated by Seneca.

The tennis team was successful in every encounter, barring St. X.

The baseball team was off to a slow start but finally picked up steam around May 1. A 2-0 victory over Manual and a 3-0 victory over Valley put the Cats well prepared for tourney time.

The track team had their individual stars but the team as a whole was not up to that of last year.

Joining with me to bid you a farewell are the other members of the *Chit-Chat* sports staff: Bill Bowden, Steve Peakoe, David Stutzenburger, Russ Weikel, Gordon Finley, and Julia Bloch.

It has given us the utmost pleasure to be a part of this paper and serve you. We certainly hope you were pleased with the sports news we presented you. We are all grateful for your fine support.

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Miss Sullivan advanced to the state tournament after copping the regional singles title on May 10 at Central Park. Gayle and Sue did make it a clean sweep for Waggener in the regionals when they defeated Assumption, 6-2, 6-1, to take the doubles crown.

The second time around turned out a little better for the girls' team, who took the runner-up crowns in both singles and doubles last year. Pam's sister, Rocky, was defeated in the singles finals last year by Gail DeLozier of Shawnee.

Woodie Axton and Rusty Garth, the two semi-finalists in the boys' tennis regionals held at Seneca Park May 8-10, were representing Waggener in the Boy's State High School Tennis Tourney last Monday and Tuesday.

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NOW HERE'S HOW . . . Track Coach Martin Dalm explains how the game is played to discus star Ken Bolarsky and runner Bufch Mathis. Both players placed in the regional meet at Bellarmine May 10, 11, and 12.

## Basketball Team Wins Best Record In 4 Years

Average Highest Yet To Be Compiled

Three years of varsity ball and an aggregate total of 37 wins and 21 losses makes Waggener one of the few schools able to boast an over-all winning basketball team.

This year's Cats, coached by Roy "Doc" Adams, came in with a .725 percentage, the best any other team of Waggener round-balls has put out.

Led in the scoring by Mike Gambill with an average of 17.3 points per game, the Cats rounded up 1156 points in the regular season for a 62.2 average. Very few high school teams have ever been able to average this.

Starting the season with a bang, the Wildcats defeated the number two ranked team in the state, powerful St. Xavier, by a score of 60-57.

Shelby county, soon to be the 8th Region's state contestant at Memorial Coliseum in Lexington, was knocked off 63-50 only a short time after the St. X upset.

Atherton, Manual, Butler, Eastern and Oldham Co. followed the St. X move and stepped aside to the high flying Wildcats.

Even with the accomplishments this team made over the others there were setbacks. On Jan. 4, Waggener made a trip to Fern Creek to play the undefeated Eastern Eagles in a first round game of the Jefferson Co. Invitational Tournament. All was well for the first three quarters as the hard fighting Wildcats team pressed the winsome Eagles. But early in the final period Eastern pulled itself up to upset the Cats and for their second straight J.C.I.T. title.

The setbacks were few, however, as the 1960-61 team kept stacking up records.



—Photo by F. Grobb

"YOU'RE IN THERE" A KML player dives after shortstop Mike Patrick as he slides safely into third base at the District Final at Trinity. Waggener went on to win the championship by a score of 7-4.

## Footballers Capture 1st Burley Bowl Crown

Waggener's football team started the sports year off by compiling a 6-3 record and capturing the Burley Bowl.

The Cats started their season by defeating the Fairdale Bulldogs 21-6. In this game, halfback, Les Snyder unveiled his power running which enabled him to capture the County scoring title.

In the second outing of the season Waggener defeated Atherton 13-7, for the first time in varsity competition. Standout of this game was the field generalship of quarterback Dan Sunburg.

The Cats next played Valley, defeating the Vikings 26-0 and running their record to 3 and 0.

Better news moved into the Waggener Stadium and defeated the Cats 6-0. This game was highlighted with many controversial calls made by the referees. The following week Oldham County came into the stadium and was defeated 32-0.

On Oct. 14 the game everyone had been waiting for was played. A crowd of 4,500 saw Eastern's Eagles score early and then hold off a second half rally by the Wildcats to triumph 19-12.

The next opponent of the Cats was Pleasure Ridge Park. The Cats rallied late in the game to win 14-12.

Arch rival Durrett handed the Cats their 3rd loss of the season 19-14 and knocked the Cats out of contention for the County Title. Seneca fell before the Cats 21-7 in the last game of the season. The running of quarterback Dan Sunburg, fullback Kenny Lewis and Les Snyder were the highlights of this win.

Waggener made its first appearance in a bowl this year. The Cats traveled to Shelbyville and defeated the Shelbyville Red Devils 27-20.

This was an outstanding season, not only were their individual stars but this team will be remembered as one of the best in the history of Waggener.

## Tankmen Are State's Second For Third Year

Coach Bob Wald's Waggener swim team retained its claim as a perennial power by taking second place for the third straight year.

The tankmen compiled a 5-4 record. They were defeated only by St. Xavier in Kentucky dual meet competition, while recording victories over Atherton, Trinity, and Lexington-Lafayette. Two of the dual meet losses came at the hands of the powerful Columbus, Indiana team.

The outstanding team performance came in the New Albany Invitational meet, in which six teams participated. The Wildcats were second by only two points to heavily favored St. X. Dick Abbott and Charlie Farmer established two meet records apiece. Charlie splashed home first in the 400 and 220 yd. freestyle events, and Abbott's victories came in the 100 yd. backstroke and 200 yd. individual medley.

Team spirit was high when Feb. 28 and the state meet rolled around. However, despite some excellent performances, with almost everyone on the team turning in their best time, St. Xavier's depth provided the margin. Again Charlie Farmer and Dick Abbott did their share of record breaking. Charlie set new marks for the state in both the 400 and 200 yd. freestyle. Dick broke his brother John's record in the 200 yd. indi-

vidual medley, and lowered his existing mark in the 100 yd. backstroke.

The team will miss graduating seniors Sherman Henderson, Otis George, Steve Pesko, Tom Ogle, Woodie Axton, and Richard Shapiro. Junior Charlie Farmer poses a big question as he may move to Lexington during the summer. Returning next year are Dick Abbott, Niles Schoening, Mike Kerns, Howard Wilson, John Geiser, Mike Dorton, Robert George, and Lee Boydland.

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## Pam Sullivan captures girls state tennis title

By DAVE BENNETT

Pam Sullivan captured the Girls State Tennis Saturday with a brilliant 6-0, 6-3 decision over Diana Steilberg of Presentation. Pam is the sister of Rocky Sullivan who took runner-up honors at last year's tournament.

The Waggener entry in the doubles section of the tourney advanced to the finals before they were beaten by the Atherton duo of Kate Lowe and Cissy Gossman. This marked the second year in a row that they were defeated in the finals by the Atherton team.

In the boys state meet Woody Axton was downed by Carl Evans of Berea 6-3, 6-0. Rusty Garth another Waggener entry won his first round match from Frank Davis of Bardstown 6-1 6-1 but was defeated by top seeded Jackie Cooper of St. Xavier 6-1, 6-0.

Butch Mathis was the only Wildcat sprinter to qualify for the State Track Meet by running the 880 in record breaking time of 2:03. That's two and five-tenths second faster than it took him to win the 880 in last years state meet.

Waggener's golf team came out second best in the County

Regional Golf Championships at Shelbyville Waggener and Seneca were tied at the finish causing a sudden death playoff. Seneca managed two pars and two bogies on the extra hole while Phil Scherer was the only par for Waggener. Totals for the cats were Ron Acree 75—Scherre 77 — Jack Burrice 78 — Rick Acree 80.

Waggener's baseball team won the 28 District crown by downing K.M.L. 7-4.

In a tune-up for the State Baseball Championship the cat baseballers dropped a 4-3 decision to Manual, who avenged an earlier loss. Bruce Martin homered for the cats.

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## Pitching may decide outcome—coach Jones

By Bill Bowden

"If our pitching holds up, I think we have a real good chance."

This is Coach Vernon Jones' feeling as he takes his Waggener Wildcats into their first State Baseball Tournament next Tuesday at Lexington. The Cats will oppose Mayfield at 2:00 p.m. (E. S. T.) at the U. K. Sports Center near Henry Clay High School.

According to Jones, Mayfield has a fine team. Here is how his scouting report evaluates them: two excellent pitchers, in Adams and Hawkins; catcher—excellent; defense—good; hitting—good. Also, and perhaps most important, Mayfield is a veteran team, with an all-senior lineup.

When asked what team commanded respect, he cited Newport Catholic, which has been to the State 11 times in the last 13 years.

Since there are eight teams in the tourney, if the Cats win Tuesday, they will be in the semifinals Wednesday morning. If they win in the morning, they will play the final that afternoon. This will undoubtedly put a strain on the pitching staff. Coach Jones had not decided who he would go with, but if Kenny Lewis hurries as he did in the regional, the pitching will be the least of Jones' worries. Lewis pitched 15 innings of shutout ball in two regional games.

Coach Jones, perhaps spoke for the whole team when he said, "I've still got confidence we can win. We're not beat until that last ball is thrown."

## Waggener wins state golf crown; trims Seneca

by Bill Bowden

The Waggener golf team ended the most successful season in the school's history by winning the State High School Golf Tournament Wednesday, May 24, at the Port Knox Lindsey course.

The linksters compiled a total of 651 to trim Seneca by five strokes. Scottsville placed third.

The Cats were led by freshman Ronnie Acree, who had a 36-hole total of 157 on rounds of 78-79. Giving Ronnie good support were Phil Scherer, 163 (79-85), Jack Burrice, 164 (83-81), and Rickie Acree, 167 (86-81).

During the regular season the duffers, under the coaching of Mr. Roy Winchester, had a won-lost record of 7-1. They beat Trinity, last year's State Champs, by six strokes, and their only loss was to Seneca. Trinity failed to qualify for this year's meet.

The race for the individual medal was dominated by underclassmen. Tom Parkhill of K.M.L., a sophomore, was low man with 152. He had rounds of 76-78. Rob Spragens of Lebanon and Joe Lenahan of Trinity, a freshman tied for second place with 154. Lenahan won 2nd in a playoff. Fourth was Ronnie Acree.

The consensus of opinion was that Ronnie Acree and Joe Lenahan would be the ones to watch in future tourneys.

# Waggener Nine to go to state after defeating Manual 1-0

By Bill Bowden

Waggener joined six other teams in the State High School Baseball Tournament when they downed last year's champs Manual and Valley on successive days at Trinity Field.

Last Thursday the Cats edged Manual 1-0 behind the four-hit pitching of Kenny Lewis, who fanned nine and walked only two. After seven and a half innings of scoreless ball, Waggener finally tallied on a wild throw to third. Mike Patrick had singled Bruce Martin to second, and when Martin tried for third, an overthrow allowed him to score the winning run.

Valley advanced with a 5-4 victory over Flaget last Thursday. The Vikings had fallen behind 4-6 after six innings, but then came up with two runs in the bottom of the seventh to send

the game into extra innings.

Valley got the winning run in the last of the tenth when Leon Spencer reached first on an error, stole second, was sacrificed to third, and then scored on Jasper Walter's fly to left.

This set the stage for the championship game the following day at 3:30, also at Trinity Field. The sky was overcast with the temperature in the mid-50's when Waggener and Valley took to the field for the right to represent the seventh region in the State Tourney, which will be played June 7-8 in Lexington.

Waggener coach Vernon Jones again called on his ace right-hander Ken Lewis and Valley used Wagner, who had also pitched the preceding day. Lewis responded beautifully, hurling a shutout, giving up only one hit, and allowing but one runner to

reach second.

The Cats got their three runs, all unearned, in the sixth. Don Spangler and Butch Riley were safe on errors, and Patrick's single plated Spangler.

Riley scored on Jim Lapsley's squeeze bunt and Patrick also scored when the throw got by the catcher.

For the game, Lewis fanned three and walked two. This marked 15 innings of consecutive shutout ball he had pitched, including the Manual game.

Here are the line scores:

Semifinals	
Waggener	.000 000 01—1 6 2
Manual	.....000 000 00—0 4 2
Valley	...200 002 200 1—7 12 5
Flaget	...001 014 000 0—6 8 4
Final	
Waggener	...000 003 0—3 2 1
Valley	.....000 000 0—0 1 7



*Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

### **Waggener came close to winning state crown, by Bill Bowden**

In its first trip to the state Baseball tournament, Waggener came close to picking up all the marbles, only to lose a 1-0 heart-breaker to Caverns in the finals last Thursday at Lexington.

After defeating Mayfield Wednesday afternoon 4-0, and Newport Catholic Thursday 2-1, the Wildcats' hopes for a state title were squelched in the bottom of the last inning by a stunning triple play by Caverns.

Kenny Lewis was on the mound for Waggener in the finals, and he pitched well enough to win most games. He gave up only two hits and one run, but Dennis Doyle hurled a one-hitter for Caverna. Caverna got its one run in the fourth inning when Doyle walked and was brought home by Joe Campbell's triple.

In the last inning Waggener appeared to be close to victory when they got two men on with no outs. Mike Patrick had singled for the Cats' only hit and Bruce Martin drew a walk. Then Steve Porter hit a fly ball to center field. After the catch, Patrick tagged up and was put out at third for the second out. Martin took off for second, hoping to get into scoring position, but he was also thrown out.

**Waggener 4, Mayfield 0:** Kenny Lewis hurled a two-hitter to give the Cats their first victory in state play. Tom Ryan was the big bat for Waggener doubling in Martin in the second and scoring on a passed ball in the fourth after a triple.

In the fifth Lewis walked and was sacrificed to second by Donnie Stangler, Jim Lapsley reached base when the catcher dropped his third strike, and then Patrick's sacrifice fly scored Lewis, Lapsley then scored on Butch Riley's grounder.

**Waggener 2, Newport Catholic 1:** Newport Catholic, four time state champion, was the Cats' semi-final victim. John Thompson threw a four-hitter and didn't allow a Newport run until the last inning.

**June 15, 1961**

### **Waggener Cats 13-7, by Richard Howington**

With only nine seconds remaining to be played, a sensational 60 yard pass and run play enabled Fairdale to defeat Waggener 13-7, Friday afternoon in the football opener for both clubs.

The winning pass, on a fourth down situation, was from Fairdale quarterback Pat Foster to halfback Charles Mudd.

Mudd gave Waggener trouble all afternoon, as he scored both Fairdale touchdowns. The first one came midway through the first period on a 16-yard run around left end. Don Brinley converted the extra point, and the score at the end of the first quarter was Fairdale 7, Waggener 0.

A more determined Wildcat team came on the field for the second half. They started a drive downfield that was stopped only on the one-yard when Biff Barnsfather of Fairdale recovered a Waggener fumble. This drive was let by quarterback Gary McGaughey and halfback Joe Bloyd.

In the fourth quarter Waggener's Les Anderson intercepted a Fairdale lateral on the Bulldog 20 and drove to the 24-yard line. A few plays later, Waggener finally hit Paydirt, McGaughey scored from the one-yard line on a quarterback sneak. Harold High ran the extra point and the score was tied, 7-7.

Waggener had a chance to score again late in the fourth quarter when tackle Orbin Greene recovered a fumble on the Fairdale 31-yard line, but they couldn't get started and lost the all on downs.

The Bulldogs took over with little time remaining, and on the last play of the game Foster fired the game's winning pass. Brinley's extra point attempt was blocked, but the damage had already been done. Waggener didn't have a chance to get its hands on the ball again, and the final score was Fairdale 13, Waggener 7.

Lack of experience proved costly to Waggener at times. This year's team is very young. Six of the starters are sophomores and Waggener should have very good material for future games.

Wildcat Coach Martin Deim thought the team played well as a whole, but singled out McGaughey, Bloyd, Spears, and Hutch Riley as doing particularly fine jobs.

**September 14, 1961**

Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

Atherton too much for Waggener Rebels, by Richard Howington, September 21, 1961

The article is not readable.

# Valley's backfield proves fatal to Waggener, 28-7

By RICHARD HOWINGTON

Paced by a rugged line and several long runs by a flashy backfield, Valley's Vikings scored their first win of the season over hapless Waggener, 28-7, at Valley Station Friday night.

Halfback Jasper Walters led the way for Valley during the first half with two fine 80-yard runs. The first came on a play from scrimmage around the right side of the line. Taking advantage of some timely blocks, Walters broke into the clear and outdistanced all opponents for a touchdown. His second long run, an 85-yarder, was on a punt return. It was the result of a beautiful fake and finely executed double reserve. Most of Waggener's line was caught on the left side of the field while Walters sped down the right side.

Valley's other first half touchdown also came on a punt return, this time a 75-yard run by Jim McKenzie. Tom Seals converted all extra points by placement, and at the end of the first half the score was Valley 21, Waggener 0.

A more determined Wildcat team came on the field for the second half, and they played Valley on even terms for the rest of the game.

As soon as they got their hands on the ball, Waggener started a drive deep into Valley territory. This was stopped only on the 16-yard line, when they failed by inches to get a first down. The running of halfback Joey

Bloyd, and passes from quarterback Gary McGaughey to Lewis Lyons, highlighted the drive.

A stubborn Wildcat line held tight and Valley was forced to kick from deep in its own territory. Waggener got the ball and a few plays later marched to paydirt. Bloyd fought his way through Valley defenders for nine yards and a touchdown. This tally was set up by an 11-yard pass from McGaughey to John Scheibel. Les Anderson kicked the extra point, and the third quarter score was Valley 21, Waggener 0.

The Cats still had a fighting change for a tie, but Valley quarterback Clyde McConnaughay put the game on ice in the fourth quarter with a 25-yard dash. Tom Seals again converted for Valley, and the final score of the game was Valley 28, Waggener 7.

Valley previously had tied both Seneca and Fern Creek, and this was Waggener's third loss in as many games. But all was not lost for Wildcat supporters. There were some bright spots for Waggener, and line play was good at times. Also, the Cats' fine second half play proved they are capable of playing good ball. Coach Deim thought the boys played well, as a whole, but singled out lineman Bruce Smith and Orbin Greene as standouts. The team has been working very hard this week, and hopes for their first win as they travel to Butler tomorrow afternoon for a game at 1:30.

September 28, 1961

Courtesy *The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

**Waggener loses to Butler, by Richard Howington**

Butler scored twice in the first quarter and spent the rest of the game repelling Waggener attempts on route to a 13-6 win at Butler Friday afternoon.

The Bears' two touchdowns were scored by Ronnie Pryor and Bill Lopez. The first came only minutes after Butler had gotten its hands on the ball, and was the result of a 50-yard drive marked by end sweeps. Quarterback, Jackie Robinson and Pryor both had runs of 15-20 yards to highlight the drive. Pryor finally scored from the one-yard line. Robinson's placement attempt was no good, the all striking the goal post.

Butler's second touchdown came soon after the first one on a 35-yard pass from Robinson to Lopez, who was in the end zone unguarded. This time Robinson's placement attempt was good, and the score at the end of the first quarter was 13-0 Butler.

In the second quarter both teams played mostly defense ball, neither one being able to muster up a drive. At halftime the score was still Butler 13, Waggener 0.

Waggener attempted more fight as it came on the field for the second half. The Wildcats played a much better brand of defense ball, as is witnessed by the fact that they did not allow the Bears a single first down during that half. The Cats scored midway in the third period, ending a 50-yard drive. Quarterback Gary McGaughey, fullback Charles Freidman, and halfback Joe Bloyd carried most of the offensive load of the march. McGaughey, finally plunged in from the one-yard line on a third down situation. Les Anderson was rushed hard on his placement attempt, and the kick was no good. The third quarter score stood Butler 13, Waggener 6.

Waggener repeatedly threatened in the last quarter, getting to the ten-yard line and inside the 20 on separate occasions. Butler's defense held each time, however, and the Cats were never able to push across another tally. The final score of the game was Butler 13, Waggener 6.

Waggener Coach Martin Deim did not have much to say favorably after the game, but pointed out linebacker tom Helfrich as doing a fine job defensively.

The Wildcats face De Sales at Eastern Field tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Waggener's record is now 0-4-0.

October 5, 1961

**Late touchdown gives DeSales win over Waggener**

By RICHARD HOWINGTON

De Sales scored in the second half and outlasted Waggener the rest of the way enroute to a 6-0 win in a close defensive battle at Eastern Field Friday night.

The only touchdown of the game was by J. W. Dant of De Sales. The play, a 19 yard sweep around left end with 3:11 left in the third quarter topped off a determined De Sales drive.

The outstanding player in the game for DeSales was linebacker Rich Kipper, who played exceptionally well on defense. Kipper repeatedly stopped Waggener ball-carriers and was one of the main reasons why Waggener was held scoreless. This is only the second time the Wildcats have failed to score in a game.

Neither team displayed a great offensive show. Both sides were riddled by injuries. Several fumbles and penalties hurt both squads also. The contest saw-sawed back and forth during the first half and most of the second.

The best Waggener could do offensively all night was get inside the De Sales 20 yard line in the second half. The Wildcats also marched deep into DeSales territory during the waning moments of the game, only to have this last drive stopped and De Sales take over on downs. Ben Boona, who was moved from slotback to halfback, and Joey Bloyd car-

ried most of Waggener's offensive load. The latter was injured the last quarter, a blow to the Cats offensive unit.

October 19, 1961

**Waggener seniors to give play**

The Senior Class of Waggener High School will present the three-act play, "Beauty and Beef" on November 16 and 17, in Masonic Home Auditorium. The comedy will have a different cast each night and is being directed by Miss Ann Crockett. Curtain goes up at 8 p.m. both nights.

October 19, 1961

**Rugged line stops Waggener at Eastern**

By RICHARD HOWINGTON

A rugged Eastern line and hard hitting Bob Baltzell spelled defeat for Waggener as the Eagles defeated the Wildcats 21-0 Friday night at Eastern Field.

Baltzell scored all of Eastern's points. On the Eagles first play of the game from scrimmage, he tore around the right side of Waggener's line and ran 80 yards for a touchdown.

Baltzell converted the extra point by placement. He also kicked two more after Eastern's other touchdowns. Mid-way through the first period, he intercepted a pass from Waggener quarterback Gary McGaughey and scampered 25 yards for his second touchdown.

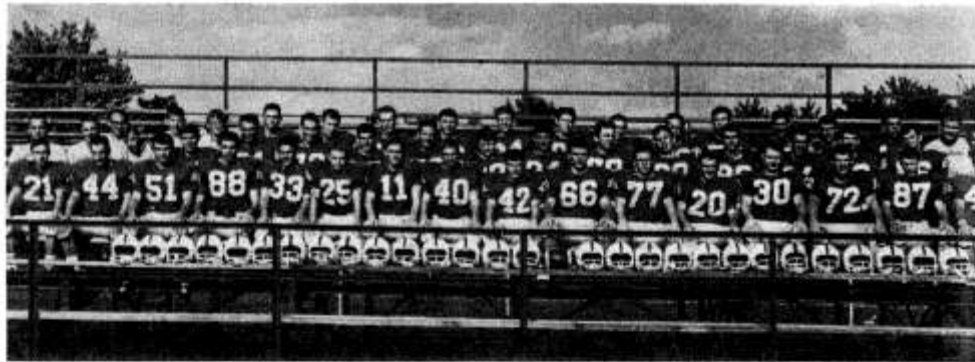
Eastern's final tally came on a 27 yard sprint by the sophomore fullback.

The Cats' best offensive play of the night, a long pass from McGaughey to end Butch Riley, was called back because of an infraction on the play. The Cats were able to get one sustained drive, however, and the game ended with Waggener in possession of the ball deep in Eagle territory.

While Eastern and Baltzell completely dominated the game, Waggener had its own standouts. Don Spangler made several timely kicks to get the Cats out of trouble. Also, the defensive play of Tom Helfrich, Jim Brumhofer, and Phil Terry was good.

The Wildcats are now 0-6. Their next encounter is with Pleasure Ridge Park, also winless, tomorrow afternoon at 1:30.

October 19, 1961



1961 Varsity Football Squad

## Cats To Meet Colts Friday

Waggener's Wildcats will tangle with the DeSales Colts on Friday night, Oct. 6, at Eastern.

This is Waggener's last encounter of the season with a city team, and it should turn into quite a hand-fought contest. In the past, DeSales and Waggener have always turned in exciting games.

Coach Gil Sturzel did not appear to be overly confident of his team's chances, but predicts a "hard-hitting game." DeSales is small, averaging only 163 pounds in the line. Standouts for the Colts include Richard Kippes and Robert Dixon, guards weighing 151 and 150 respectively, and halfback Ronnie Smith. Coach Sturzel depends mainly on aggressiveness from his boys, as they don't have unusual speed on passing. DeSales' record is 1-2.

Waggener will be blessed in this game by DeSales' small size. Most teams facing Waggener this year are much larger than the Wildcats. It is the coach's opinion that although the Wildcats began the season young and inexperienced, by the DeSales game the team will have jelled into a winning unit.

Game time is 8:00 p.m. at Eastern High School.

## Varsity Loses Close Game To Butler Bears, 13-6

The Waggener Wildcats lost a close football game with Butler at Butler by a score of 13-6 last Friday afternoon.

The Cats got off to a bad start and Butler scored 2 touchdowns in less than four minutes of the start of the game. The Bears used a powerful slot offense that caught the Cats unprepared in the first half.

Waggener came back strong in the second half with much more desire than was seen in the first half. Gary McGaughey scored the only touchdown on a one yard plunge early in the fourth quarter. The turning point of the game came when a punt by Don Spangler in the late part of the third quarter was fumbled by a Butler player and was recovered

by guard Phil Terry on the Butler 36 yard line.

It was fourth and six yards to go, when McGaughey gambled and hit end Butch Riley with a pass, good for a first down. This set up McGaughey's plunge, but Les Anderson missed the extra point.

Waggener stopped Butler and came back late in the fourth quarter but was stopped by Butler's fine pass defense. Tommy Helfrich deserves much credit for his fine play and his desire to win. The Wildcats look forward towards their first victory Friday night at Eastern's field when they encounter powerful DeSales. We are all looking forward to see Waggener on the top at the end of the final score.

## Cats Drop 3

by Richard Howington and John Robich

Because of youth and inexperience, Waggener's football team dropped the first three decisions of its 1961 football season to Fairdale, Atherton, and Valley respectively.

The closest the Cats came to escaping defeat came in the first game against Fairdale, Sept. 8. The team had seemingly battled the Bulldogs to a 7-7 tie with only nine seconds remaining, when Fairdale quarter Pat Foster fired a game winning pass to star halfback Charles Mudd. The entire pass-and-run play covered 60 yards. Waggener's sole touchdown was scored in the fourth quarter on a one yard plunge by quarterback Gary McGaughey.

Eastern Field was the scene of the next game as Waggener fell to Atherton, 21-0. Atherton showed a brilliance on offense and a steady defense. The most sensational play of the game did not count, however. At the start of the second quarter, Atherton's Tom Dudgeon took senior Les Anderson's kickoff for 95 yards and a touchdown, only to have the play nullified because of an offside penalty.

Waggener's third game was at Valley Station with county power Valley, and, although they lost 28-7, the score does not tell the whole story. Waggener had good line play at times, hitting very hard. The Cats also played a fine second half, battling the Vikings on even terms. Halfback Joey Hloyd scored the Waggener touchdown in the third quarter on a nine yard run, and Les Anderson kicked the extra point.

Although the grid season is early, several standouts are emerging. Sophomores McGaughey and Hloyd have been doing well on offense. End Butch Riley has had to play both offense and defense, and Coach Deim has remarked on the good job he has been doing.

Seniors Jim Brunnhoeffler, Les Anderson, Tom Helfrich, Paul Keith, George Mialbeck, and Harold High, with their experience have helped stabilize the team. Juniors Bruce Smith and Orin Greene have been doing good jobs on the line.

## Vacation Stars

### Fall Ends

### Tourney Play

by Jack Burrice

Waggener students were much in evidence this year as summer sports got underway. In the fields of swimming, golf, and tennis, Waggenerites made auspicious showings in their respective sports.

#### Swimming Records Broken

Swimming for Plantation, Dick Abbott and Jean Henderson showed that they had what it takes as both set state records in the Ky. A.A.U. meet, held at Plantation. Abbott broke all existing records in the 100 meter freestyle and 200 meter individual medley events, and Jean set new marks in the 100 and 200 meter freestyle events in the girls' division. She also bested the previous record in the 400 meter freestyle.

Battling for Lakeside, Pat Finegan competed favorably in the A.A.U. and other meets, and went to the women's nationals in Philadelphia.

#### Golfers Excel

On the golfing scene, Waggener students showed why their school is state champion in golf, as Ron and Rick Acree and Jack Burrice were highly successful in tournament action this summer. Ron, a 15-year old prodigy, now a sophomore at Waggener, received wide acclaim when he reached the finals of the Jr. Falls City tournament. Ron also participated successfully at Somerset and Valley

View, as did Burrice. Jack also was medalist in the Falls City event.

Rick Acree showed great ability in a number of tournaments this summer, and another Waggenerite, Buddy Phillips, rounded out the summer with a touch of sensationalism when he scored a hole-in-one at Crescent Hill during September.

#### Netters Star

On the tennis courts, two Waggener girls, sophomore Pam Sullivan and senior Sue Stafford, made headlines this summer as they dominated junior net action.

Pam, competing in the 18-and-under division, emerged victorious in the Seneca Open and the Tournament of Champions. She was runner-up in the doubles events at the Southern Girls' Tournament in Jackson, Mississippi, and the Southern Tournament held in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Sue, also competing in the 18-and-under division, won the Bowling Green Invitational, the Central Park closed event, and the singles and doubles titles in her age group in the State Tournament held at Berea.

## Speaking of Sports

by Richard Howington

**Football season is now in full swing.** Although Waggener has not gotten off to a good start, the records show that the cats lost 20 lettermen by graduation. Only 10 returned. This might be considered as a rebuilding year for the gridder.

Head Coach Deim was quoted in the Courier-Journal as saying: "We have a lot of young boys and a lot of desire. We will get better each game. If we can get through this year they'd better look out. We're going to be tough."

If we keep improving as Coach Deim predicted, there should be a few "wins" in the won-lost column by the end of the season. Let's be sure to bank the team.

**Eastern is at it again!** Last year the Eagles were picked to come in last in the county race, and they surprised the experts by going through the season undefeated and winning the county championship. This year, Eastern was again pre-rated near the bottom of the heap, but so far, they haven't been beaten, stretching their undefeated string to 12 games.

**Late congratulations** are in order to Waggener's fine baseball team of 1961. Coached by Vernon Jones, the Wildcats capped second place in the state baseball tournament at Lexington in June. They came perilously close to winning the championship, losing to Caveers, 1-0 in the finals. A triple play by Caveers, the first in state tourney history, was pulled off in the last inning to quench a Wildcat rally.

**While we are sending out congratulations,** our hats are off to former Waggener footballers: Don Sundberg, Les Snyder, Fred Davis, and Dave Hussung. These boys all saw a lot of action in the annual City-County All-Star game, and the first three grabbed starting assignments.

**Ron Grawmeyer,** 6 ft. 2 in. junior transfer student from Male High should help strengthen the basketball team this year. Ron attended the second semester at Male last year, but didn't participate in athletics. He has played a lot of round ball, however, and is looking forward to playing for the cats.

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**CHEERLEADERS** Leslie Kennedy, Marilyn Gordon, and Sherry Ross are seen regularly at football games and pep rallies. These seniors are responsible for much of the game activity this year.

## Cat Tales

by Sandy Smith and Susan Simpson

**These survived the summer:** Evelyn Campbell still has visits from an Indiana boy . . . Mitch Cline has been walking with Ann Marshall between classes . . . Tootie Wald went to DePauw last weekend to visit graduate Buddy Orr . . . Nancy Attix has become the new secretary of the Pep Club to help cheer Tommy Helfrich in football . . . Judy Goodwin and Bruce Toole have been seen at the Sultans . . . Jean Poland has been at all the football games to yell for Lewis Lyons . . . Linda Lampkin and Pat Morgan came to school together every morning . . . Charlie Traub and Susan Simpson are sharing a locker again . . . Lee Early and Cheri Ryan still look cute together . . . Paul Keith has been seen waiting for Babs Wilson between classes.

**We also have new couples** around school this year: Barbara Sorrels and Mike Huston are steady Sultan customers . . . Linda Schardein is wearing a Lambda Chi Alpha lavaler from U. of L. . . Martye Armstrong has been seen with junior class president Bruce Smith . . . Sherry Ross and Caroligne West have become wild fans of Catholic Country Day . . . Nancy Wallace is wearing Billy Kitchin's A. L. A. pin . . . Karen Atsberry and Tommy Sanders seem to be talking all the time (to each other) . . . Paula Stamer has been riding in Keith Thomas's convertible . . . Woody Zoll has been taking Mary VanHilpen home, via the Big Boy, after school.

**A few boys are playing** the field: Football players Jan Brunshoeffler, Phil Terry, Conrad Downey, Bateh Riley, Mike Mowry, and Stan Tucker; Manager Eddie Bignon; Robin Tyler, a new addition to the sophomore class.



**FOOTBALL COACHES** discuss strategy to be used in three remaining games of 1961 season. They are from left to right: Mr. Martin Deim, Mr. Will Schureck, Mr. Ron Cain, and Mr. Ron Bagby.

### Grad News

#### Alumni Go Greek

School activities are now in full swing for our graduates. As societies and fraternities are beginning to pledge, we have received a flood of alumni news.

#### At U. K.:

**Alpha Delta Pi:** Barbara Howell, '60.  
**Alpha Gamma Delta:** Marlon Davis, '61; Ann Gregg, '61; Mary Lou Scott, '61.  
**Alpha Xi Delta:** Phyllis Deeb, '61; Marilyn Newman, '61; and Susan Seagraves, '61.  
**Chi Omega:** Cheryl Kelly, '61.  
**Delta Delta Delta:** Karen Carter, '61.

**Delta Gamma:** Judy Miner, '61.  
**Kappa Alpha Theta:** Wardall Bloch, '61; Abigail Hoertz, '61; Kay Stone, '61.

**Kappa Kappa Gamma:** Joyce Green, '61; Bunnay Laffoon, '61; and Mary Ann Nathan, '61.

**Pi Beta Phi:** Beverly Barr, '61; Margie Hilbers, '61; and Sandy Nichol, '61.

#### At the University of Alabama:

Barb Paletti, '61 and Sue Evans, '60 pledged Pi Beta Phi. Fred Davis, '61 is playing freshman football.

#### At U. of L.:

Jane Asher, '61 pledged Kappa Delta; Jennine Broadhurst, '61 pledged Chi Omega; Carol Walford, '61 pledged Pi Beta Phi; Barbara Young, '61 pledged Delta Zeta; Jeanette James, '61 pledged Sigma Kappa; and Sarah Payne, '61 pledged Zeta Tau Alpha.

Judy Henry, '61 pledged Delta Zeta at Bradley.

Buddy Orr pledged Phi Gamma Delta; and Gordon Finley, '61 pledged Beta Theta Pi.

Sara Lloyd, '61 pledged Pi Beta Phi at Belmont.

Sam McDonald, '61 is certainly becoming well known at Stetson University. He is on the staff of the *Stetson Reporter*, and on the Residence Council. He has also pledged Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Keep the news coming in!

## Core Classes Are Busy

**7A and 7B, Mrs. Martin** — 7A and 7B are in the midst of planning and organizing a program and mural concerning some phase of Kentucky History.

**7E, Mrs. Henlein** — As many other core classes, Kentucky History is the main topic of 7E this semester. At present the class is busily working on a mural depicting the famous attack at Boonesborough.

**7F, Mrs. Henlein** — This class has been working diligently on "Speaking Before a Group." This includes practice speeches, panel discussions, and research papers on the art of public speaking.

**7K, Mr. Reid** — Now studying the United States, this class is particularly interested in the occupations of the people. They started with the farmers of the early days and plan to progress to the Space Age.

**7L, Mrs. Jenkins** — Latin America is the main project for 7L. Dramatizations of Mexican folklore are in the planning stage, which correlates with their study of Spanish.

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## Coaching Staff Remains Intact for 1962 Program

by Dave Kuhn

This year for the first time since Waggener has had a football team, the coaching staff has had no changes.

Mr. Martin Deim returns to Waggener for his third year as head coach after two previously successful seasons. Mr. Deim played his high school football at Shelbyville, Ky., where he played guard and halfback. At Centre College he played the same positions and graduated with an A.B. degree. He then coached at Danville High School for two years, was in the Navy for two years, and later coached at Norfolk, Virginia, for one year before coming to Waggener. Aside from being head coach, he is also the backfield coach and teaches English IV.

Mr. Rod Bagby, the line coach, is in his second year at Waggener. He played end at Covington Holmes High School and then attended Western Kentucky State College where he played fullback. Before coming to Waggener, Mr.

Bagby coached at Oldham County for a year. He teaches seventh grade science here at Waggener.

Also in his second year at Waggener is Mr. Ron Cain. He played his high school football at Cumberland, Kentucky, as a fullback, and then switched to end at the University of Kentucky. He graduated with an A.B. degree. Mr. Cain is end coach. During the school day he teaches health and physical education.

Mr. Will Schureck is back for his fourth year on the staff. He played at Fern Creek High School as a guard. Mr. Schureck attended Western Kentucky State College, but didn't play football. He graduated with an A.B. degree. Before coming to Waggener, Mr. Schureck served in the U.S. Army for two years. Mr. Schureck is the line coach for the J.V. team and teaches geometry and trigonometry.

Mr. William Woodard is the backfield coach for the J.V. team. He played fullback at Atherton High School and then attended Miami University of Ohio on a baseball scholarship. After graduating with a B.S. degree, he coached for three years at Liberty, Indiana. During the school day, Mr. Woodard teaches advanced core and general science.

Mr. Morris Chilton will again serve as Waggener's athletic director.

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# Kittens Look Forward To Successful Season

Waggener's J. V. football team, composed of freshmen and sophomores, are looking forward to another successful season.

The Kittens play a seven game schedule this year. Last year they won the mythical J. V. County title. The young but aggressive team has won against Pleasure Ridge and has lost to Eastern in the first games of the season, both scores being 8-0. They lost to Atherton 12-0 on Oct. 10th.

### Look Toward Future

Coaches Schureck and Woodward say that the team has been developing better each game and have been improving tremendously. There have been setbacks in the Kittens' roster. Most of the sophomores that were counted upon this season have been moved up to the varsity ranks. Pre-season injuries have also hurt the

team. Most of the boys are new, but are doing an outstanding job.

### Many Standouts Prevail

The Kittens have many standouts that are playing well up to par. Tackle Jim Willard and Guard David Weller are top notch linemen for the Kittens. End Chuck Woods has done a fine job and scored the only touchdown of the game when Waggener beat Pleasure Ridge Park, 6 to 0. He is out indefinitely with a broken leg.

Roger Smith is the quarterback and Ted Demumbrum has been at one halfback. Both have made fine efforts in the first three games.

Other standouts are Hugh Morris, a 115-lb defensive corner back who has been playing like "dynamic" for the Kittens and reserve Kailer Newman.



1961 Junior Varsity Squad

## Cats Hold Colts, 6-0 In Tight Game At Eastern Field

DeSaiety J. W. Dant scored a third quarter touchdown to defeat the Wildcats 6 to 0 at Eastern Friday, Oct. 6.

It was a defensive battle all the way. Neither team displayed a great offensive show, although Waggener showed its best defensive effort this year.

Waggener threatened near the end of the first half and again in the fourth quarter, but couldn't push the ball across for a touchdown.

Sophomores Ben Boone, Gary McGaughey and Joey Boyd carried most of the offensive load for the Wildcats.

Outstanding on the defense for Waggener were Tommy Helrich and Phil Terry. Rush Kippes, guard on the offense and middle guard on defense, was DeSaiety's outstanding player. Although he weighs only 150 lbs, he hits harder than any lineman that the Wildcats have faced this year.

## Wildcats Plan Victory At Pleasure Ridge Tomorrow

On Friday, October 20, our Wildcats will move to Pleasure Ridge High School for a game in which Waggener should really be able to show their wares. It has been a hard and rough season on the Cats, but they have improved greatly and have developed into a real hard-nosed team.

The Panthers of Pleasure Ridge are experiencing a season similar to that of Waggener, and both teams have been riddled by numerous injuries. Waggener should be of full strength, however, by gametime.

This is the Panther's second

season of varsity competition. Last year Waggener crossed out Pleasure Ridge by a 14-12 margin, winning in the closing minutes. M. B. Spencer is the Panther's star halfback. While Waggener might not be as big, they should have an edge in team speed.

This game will play an important role in the county race, especially since both teams are in the same division. Waggener's outcome in this contest will depend largely on the psychological factor, in Coach Ron Cain's opinion. Game time is 1:30 P.M.

## Official Varsity Roster 1961

### WAGGENER

#### ENDS

Name	Wt.	Ht.	Class
Les Anderson	185	6-9	Sr.
Joe Curry	140	5-10	Sr.
Tom Spears	168	5-11	Jr.
John Scheibel	179	5-11	Jr.
Stanley Tackles	169	6-1	Sr.
Chuck Stanberry	149	5-3	Jr.
Bill Hanson	165	6-1	Jr.
Butch Riley	185	6-1	So.
Phil Combs	159	6-9	So.
Ronnie McQuire	175	6-3	Fr.

#### TACKLES

Orbin Greene	193	6-1	Jr.
Bill Clarke	203	5-11	Jr.
Walt King	170	6-1	Jr.
John Boles	175	5-11	Jr.
Hudson Smith	163	6-2	So.
Charles Harring	205	5-11	Jr.
Pete Love	190	5-11	So.
Mike Mowry	200	6-0	So.
Jim Willard	190	6-3	So.

#### GUARDS

John Robich	173	5-9	Sr.
Murray Walker	155	5-8	Sr.
Bruce Smith	173	6-0	Jr.
Fat Morgan	179	5-8	Jr.
Hank McGill	170	5-11	Jr.
Jamie Kerchner	175	6-0	Jr.
John Burgin	145	5-10	Jr.
Roger Rose	165	6-0	Jr.
Larry Etheridge	160	6-2	So.
Dubbie Freeman	180	6-2	So.

#### CENTER

Jim Brunnhoeffer	170	5-9	Sr.
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#### QUARTERBACKS

Mike Rodgers	180	6-1	So.
Gary McGaughey	140	5-9	So.

#### HALFBACKS

Harold High	169	5-11	Sr.
Paul Keith	155	5-10	Sr.
George Mialback	135	5-0	Sr.
Don Spangler	130	5-7	Sr.
Tom Helrich	194	5-0	Sr.
Jan Zlotolow	135	5-7	Sr.
Bazil Fleming	140	5-7	Jr.
Chris Curtis	155	5-8	Jr.
Joey Boyd	149	5-8	So.
Ben Boone	145	5-8	So.

#### FULLBACKS

Lewis Lyons	170	5-10	Sr.
Butch Berlin	155	5-9	Jr.
Charles Friedman	150	5-6	Jr.



## Speaking of Sports



by Richard Howington and Dave Kuhn

## Eastern Wins

Eastern scored twice in the first quarter, once in the third, and held Waggener scoreless the rest of the way as they marched to a 21-0 victory at Eastern last Friday night.

The Eagle's fine fullback Bob Baltzell scored all of Eastern's points. His first tally came on an 80 yard run around the right side of Waggener's line on Eastern's first play from scrimmage. Later in the first quarter, Baltzell intercepted a Gary McGaughey pass and scampered twenty-five yards for his second touchdown. In the third period a twenty-seven yard run by Baltzell capped off Eastern's last big drive.

The Wildcats never seemed to be able to get going on offense. Probably their best offensive play of the night, a long pass from McGaughey to Butch Riley in the fourth quarter, was called back because of a penalty. Waggener was able to get one good drive going, though, and the game ended with Waggener in possession of the ball deep in Eastern territory.

Several long kicks by Waggener's Don Spangler kept the Cats from getting into more trouble than they did. Also, the defensive play of Tom Helrich, Jim Brunnhoeffer, and Phil Terry stood out. The team has been working hard during the past week, and is hoping for its first victory of the season at Pleasure Ridge Park tomorrow afternoon.

## The county now has a new system for deciding its championship.

For the first time this year, there are two county districts. There are five teams in the 1st district and five in the 2nd. All county games played count in the district standings, and at the end of the season the two district winners play for the over-all county title and the chance to play the city winner for the State AAA Championship. In the case of seasonal ties within district, the enveloped Dickinson Point System will be used to determine the actual winners.

The teams divided into districts with their standings as of Oct. 12 are:

#### 1st District

1. Fairdale
2. Eastern
3. Fern Creek
4. Valley
5. Southern

#### 2nd District

1. Duvett
2. Butler
3. Seneca
4. Waggener
5. Pleasure Ridge Park

Football is in the last half of the season now. Injuries haven't been heavy, but those we've had have been serious blows to the team. Starters Tom Spears and Mike Rogers have been out for several games. Also, Bill Hanson has been injured most of the season. Good luck to these boys, and we hope they are able to see action again soon.

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Waggener formally began basketball practice Tues., Oct. 10. This year's team is expected to be tough, with regulars Paul Long, Keith "Fish" Thomas, and semi-regular Mike "Sheep" Skelton returning.

The members of the cross country team are running in Seneca Park every day after school in preparation for coming meets. Jan "Snaks" Turner, Dave Bennett and Jim Clary form the nucleus of this year's team, which suffered a great loss when "Butch" Mathis, the state 1/2 mile champion, graduated.

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Let's all be sure to get out and back the football team tomorrow afternoon at Pleasure Ridge.

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*Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

### **Waggener gets first win, defeats PRP, by Richard Howington**

Waggener rolled to its first victory of the season with a 20 point second half as the Wildcats defeated the Panthers of Pleasure Ridge Park.

While the Wildcats dominated the second half the first was nip-and-tuck all the way. A fired-up Pleasure Ridge team took Waggener's opening kick-off and marched 63-yards for the first score of the game. Panther backs Ernie Simcoe and H. B. Spencer spear-headed this drive. Simcoe finally carried it over from the 12. The kick for the extra point was good, but there was a 15-yard penalty against Pleasure Ridge Park for unnecessary roughness. The Panthers tried again for the extra point, this time on a screen pass to Spencer from the 17-yard line. This attempt was also good, but again there was a 15-yard penalty on Pleasure Ridge. The Panthers' final try for the extra point, from the 32-yard line, was unsuccessful. The score at the end of the first quarter was Pleasure Ridge 6, Waggener 0.

In the second period Waggener drove all the way to the Pleasure Ridge goal line, where it was third down and inches to go for a touchdown. The Panther line held, though, and Pleasure Ridge took over. A couple of plays later it was Waggener's ball again, as Ben Boone intercepted a Panther pass on the nine-yard line. This time Waggener was not to be stopped. Joey Bloyd finally rammed in from the two, tying the ball game. Less Anderson's conversion attempt was no good, and the score at half-time was 6-6.

The wildcats really opened up in the third quarter. Halfback Ben Boone took a hand-off from Gary McGraughey and fired a 30-yard touchdown pass to Butch Riley. This time Anderson's placement was good, and for the first time in the game Waggener led, 13-6. Later in the third period, Bloyd got his second touchdown when he capped off a Wildcat drive with a plunge from the one-yard line. Anderson again kicked the extra point, at the end of the third period the score was 20-6, Waggener.

Reserves played most of the final quarter for the Wildcats. The Cats' final tally came late in the period when John Robich carried the ball over from the six. The game ended moments later, and Waggener possessed its first win of the season, a 26-6 victory over Pleasure Ridge.

Asked how he felt concerning his team's victory, Wildcat Coach Martin grabbed the reporter by the shoulders, shook him and cried; "We won!" We won! We Won!

Waggener's record is now 1-6. the Cats look for their second victory of the season tomorrow afternoon as they travel to Durrett for a game with the Demons at 1:30.

**October 26, 1961**

### **Waggener get by Durrett 14-13, by Richard Howington**

Waggener got its first win over Durrett varsity football competitor as the Wildcats squeezed by the Demons 14-13 in a hard-fought game last Friday at Durrett.

The game was close all the way. Waggener scored first in the first period. Wildcat fullback Mike Rodgers put the cap on a drive that was highlighted by his own line plunges when he slammed over from the two-yard line. Waggener didn't try to kick the extra point; instead, Rodgers ran the ball and the attempt was good. The score at the end of the first quarter stood Waggener 7, Durrett 0.

Durrett came right back in the second period to add a touchdown of their own. A 48 yard touchdown pass from Garry Swiggum to Joe Hebel gave the Demons their first score. Waggener's line rushed hard on the placement attempt for the extra point, and as a result the buried kick went wide. This proved to be the difference in the game's score.

Later, near the end of the first half Durrett marched deep into Wildcat territory. Waggener's line stiffened, though and held the Demons until the clock ran out with Durrett in possession on the Cat three. The halftime score was Waggener 7, Durrett 6.

Durrett went ahead for the first time in the game in the third quarter.

The Demons' second tally was much like their first, as Swiggum tossed Hebel a forth-yard touchdown aerial. This time Durrett passed for the extra point, Hebel was on the receiving end of a Joe La Monica pass and Durrett forged ahead 13-7.

Later in the third quarter, Charles Friedman sparked a Waggener drive that ended in Paydirt. Friedman finally carried it over from the one-yard line. He followed up by running the extra point for the Cats, as Waggener went ahead to stay. The third quarter score was 14-13, Waggener.

Neither team scored in the lat period, but Durrett, did manage one good drive. They got inside the Wildcat twenty, where the Demons had the ball and a first down. Waggener tightened up defenses, though, and was able to take the ball over on downs. The game ended with the score Waggener 14, Durrett 13.

This was Waggener's second win in eight outings; Durrett's now has a 2-5-1 record.

**November 2, 1961**

*Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:*

# Seneca defeats Waggener

By Richard Howington

Led by the running of backs Pete Boucher and Jim Swart, Seneca defeated Waggener 19-6 last Thursday at Waggener in the last football game of the season for both clubs.

Seneca received the opening kickoff. A few plays later, a Redskin fumble gave Waggener the ball on the Seneca 30-yard line. The Wildcats took full advantage of this opportunity. With fullback Charles Friedman doing most of the ball carrying, the Cats marched to paydirt. Friedman plunged over from the one-yard line for the score. Waggener tried running the ball for the extra point, but was stopped just short. Friedman tried running the ball for the extra point, but was stopped just short.

Les Anderson kicked off again for Waggener. Seneca took the ball and with the aid of Boucher and Swart started a drive deep into Waggener territory.

It was first and 10 on the three-yard line for the Redskins, but the Wildcat line got tough and held. Waggener took the ball on downs and moments later the first quarter ended with the score Waggener 6, Seneca 0.

Seneca's Don Waddell intercepted a Waggener pass in the second quarter and scampered forty-seven yards for the Redskins' first score. This tied the game. On the extra point attempt, Charles Buckner passed complete to Bill Bizianies. Seneca went ahead to stay, 7-6.

The Redskins struck again late in the second quarter. Pete Boucher ended a Seneca drive by slamming over from the two. Seneca tried the same pass play as they had earlier for the extra point, but this time it didn't work. The first half ended with the score Seneca 13, Waggener 6.

The teams came back on the field for the second half and played on even terms during the third quarter, neither being able to push across a touchdown. Seneca clinched the game in the fourth quarter, though. Runs by Boucher and Swart finally carried it over from the four for Seneca's last tally. The final score of the game was Seneca 19, Waggener 6.

As this was Waggener's last outing of the 1961 football season, the seniors on the team were recognized before the game. These boys have worked hard all year. They are:

Jim Brunhoeffer, Tom Helfrich, Les Anderson, Paul Keith, Harold High, George Mialback, Stan Tucker, Don Spangler, Murray Walker, John Robich, Joe Curry, Hudson Smith, Ian Zlotolow, and David Stallard.

November 9, 1961





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## Girl Players In Top Shape For The Big Game

By Jack Burdick

As a sensational finale to the current pegasus season, the second annual senior-junior girls' football game is set for Friday, Nov. 10, at 3:30 on Waggener's field.

The seniors, still smarting from a 27-0 defeat at the hands of last year's upper classmen, are working hard under the able direction of Lewis Lyons and Jack Burdick. They are assisted by David Stallard, Chuck Burton, and Randy Alfred. Senior trainer Chuck Burton believes, "Our girls have never been in better shape; they really want to win."

On the junior scene, the girls are coached by Bruce Smith, assisted by Bubber Green and Phil Terry.

Carolene Wise, a member of the junior team, avers that, "We are going to try to win just as hard as we can, and we have a lot of spirit to back our convictions."

As to individual stars, the seniors and juniors are being quarterbacked by Jean Poland and Jean Hathaway, respectively. Front line stalwarts include Sue Stafford and Sandy Pollock for the seniors; Sue Pankonin and Emma Reiser for the juniors.

Both squads have been practicing every Saturday and on a few weekdays, and if the actual game is a true mirror of the girls' diligence, spectators will receive a rare treat.



JUNIOR GIRLS left to right, Martha Robertson, Carolene Wise, Jeanne Hathaway, and Martye Armstrong, practice plays to be used against seniors in Junior and Senior football game on Nov. 10.

## Wild Cat Tales

by Susan Simpson and Sandy Smith

### Can you imagine:

- ... Bruce Chang failing a test?
- ... Mr. Cain skipping down the hall?
- ... A 5 m.p.h. speed limit in the parking lot?
- ... Mr. Deim winning a yo-yo contest?
- ... Reed Silliman playing basketball?
- ... Lindie Hull with black hair?
- ... The Sultans playing at a Hi-Fi dance?
- ... Sidney Morris without crutches?
- ... A 7th grader walking slowly down the hall?

### Good times:

- ... Pep rallies ... fall days ... candy apples ... school spirit ... beating Seneca in football

### Bad times:

- ... term papers ... people who cut up during assemblies ... homework on weekends and tests on Mondays

### Did you know:

- ... That one seventh grade boy thought "LADIES" spelled "LAD-DEES"?
- ... That Mr. Bagby and Helen Bisha had a drag race on the way to school the other day?
- ... That there are only 53 more days until Christmas?
- ... That the fire department has practice sessions at Waggener?

## Grad News

### Alumni Take New Honors

by Peggy Barrows

The '61 graduates seem to be adjusting quickly to college life, as they are filling many offices and key positions in school activities.

**David Stutzenburger**, '61 has been elected vice-president of the freshman class at Peabody.

**Al Hanover**, **Bill Bowden**, '61 and **Ros Hammerle**, '60 are on the staff of the *Hanover Triangle*. Bill's sport stories can also be seen in the *Courier Journal*. John Thompson, '61 and Choote Taurman, '61 are on the Cross-Country team.

**Sherman Henderson**, '61 has been elected vice-president of the freshman class at Florida State and has also pledged Phi Delta Theta.

**At Duke University** Steve Furter, '61 has been elected president of his dormitory and Ray

Purdum, '61 has been elected treasurer of his dormitory.

**Barbara White**, '60 is on the staff of the *Agnes Scott News* at Agnes Scott.

**David Hussung**, '61 is on the varsity football team and on the steering committee of the freshman class at Ross Polytechnic Institute.

**Al Murray**, **Maren Heuser**, '61 got a part in the play, "Elithe Spirit" and **Susie Cooke**, '61 made the A Capella choir.

**Lee Bailey**, '61, the editor of the '60-'61 *Late*, is on the yearbook staff at the University of Illinois. Some other graduates on yearbook staffs: **Buddy Orr**, '61 at DePaul; **Judy Henry**, '61 at Bradley; **Chuck Armstrong**, '60 at Purdue and **Jane Geiser**, '61 and **Russel Weikie**, '61 at U.K.

Keep the news coming. You're doing fine so far!

## First Grading Period Honor Roll

**7th Grade:** Leslie Major, Edward Harvey, Nancy Diesel, and Ronnie Vull.

**8th Grade:** John Gesser, Judy Koon, Sally Lambert, Carol Henderson, Nancy Deery, John Chi, and Lee Onerby.

**9th Grade:** Vicki Breeland, Marcus Burke, Jim Barton, Carson Crawford, Lana Powers, Brian Casey, Virginia Krefl, Penny Ortnier, Jim Perry, Tom Stonefield, John Todd, Cara Snyder, Karen Smith, and Cam Williams.

**10th Grade:** Mary Asher, Alice Almond,

Helen Aull, Martha Rejm, Carol Chilton, Jan Heckenkamp, Jonathan Kesselman, Ben Kibler, Ann Marshall, Leslie Mills, Jack Schol, Jane Riddle, James Stocking, John Wendleken, and Donna Wilson.

**11th Grade:** Dennis Beck, Rusty Carth, Margaret Hummel, Calvin Johnson, Betty Kuhn, Dana Marimio, Martha May, Edwin Nieman, and Barbara Shizon.

**12th Grade:** Helen Bisha, Shelby Dixon, Sally Keisall, and Patty James.

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## FASHION FIRSTS

by  
Cassandra Colvin

Did you know that all the ducks and whales have gone way down South? Dwight Thomas is proud to be first with a fashion and flattered to be copied. However, they are constantly on the alert for new and fashionable accessories. Mrs. Thomas worked with artists and craftsmen on her last trip to New York and she came up with what she believes will be equal fashion hits. Already many have voted in favor of the "foxhead" natural hand-stain leather belt with two foxheads which sells for only \$4.50.

The greatest fashion news is the friendship pin for the round collar blouse and dress. They are \$2.00 a pair and, as the name suggests, you keep one and give the other to a friend. There are

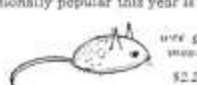
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**Varsity Wins Over P.R.P., 26-0**

Displaying a powerful second half offensive show, Waggener's Wildcats gained their first win of the season, a 26-0 victory over Pleasure Ridge, at Pleasure Ridge Park, Friday, Oct. 20.

Although the Cats blew the game wide open in the second half, the first half was a close, hard fought affair. The fired-up Panthers took Les Anderson's opening kickoff and marched sixty-three yards to pay dirt. The first quarter ended 0-0.

In the second quarter, Waggener's Ben Boone intercepted a Pleasure Ridge pass at the Pleasure Ridge nine. A few plays later, halfback Joey Bloyd plunged over from the two for Waggener's T.D. tying the score at halftime.

In the third quarter Boone took a handoff from quarterback Gary

McGaughey and fired a twenty-nine yard, touchdown pass to end Butch Riley. The Wildcats's other third period tally came on Bloyd's T.D. of the day, a one-yarder. Les Anderson kicked both extra points, and the score at the end of the third quarter was 20-0, Waggener.

Cat reserves played throughout most of the final period, and made a fine showing. With little time remaining, fullback John Rubich scampered over from the six for Waggener's final touchdown. The final score was Waggener 26 and Pleasure Ridge 0.

The whole Wildcat team played hard to get their first victory. Besides Boone, Riley and Bloyd, fullbacks Charles Friedman and linemen Orbin Greene and Phil Terry were standouts.

**Seniors Face Tough Finale**

by Dave Kuhn

Waggener plays Seneca today! This is the last game for our seniors, so it seems important to tell the public what these footballers do as they awake and get ready for the big game.

6:45 — Helfrich wakes up as Nancy calls.

6:50 — Walker climbs into shower.

7:00 — John "B" points" Robich opens scriptbook to relive T.D.

7:20 — Keith awakes after a long dream of Behs.

7:25 — Spangler falls down steps of house while practicing locking step.

7:30 — Anderson hurries to school to help coaches plan strategy.

7:40 — Curry sharpens his bones for today's game.

7:45 — Hudson Smith kisses his sister good by.

7:50 — Mialback is plotting to skip school.

7:55 — Stullard steps by drugstore to buy tweezers to pull out splinters.

8:00 — Tucker admires self in rear view mirror as he pulls into parking lot with five girls.

8:05 — Zlotolow is pulled over on Hubbards Ln. by a cop for speeding.

8:10 — Lyons lumps to hurns room as first bell rings.

8:15 — School begins.

8:20 — Walker leaves shower.

1:30 — Waggener STOMP'S Seneca.

**Cats Battle Redskins Today At 1:30; Feature Game To End '61 Varsity Season**

by Ian Zlotolow and John Robich  
Waggener Wildcats are host to the Seneca Redskins this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. Since this game will end the season for both of these traditional rivals, a sellout crowd is expected.

This season, Seneca has been in the same shape as the Wildcats. Last year, graduation took Seneca's whole starting line. This year, Seneca has been playing a young team, starting only one or two seniors. Also, injuries have constantly hampered the Red-

skins. The line averages 170 pounds, much like Waggener, and their speed and passing are fair.

Standouts include backs Jim Swart and Pete Boucher, two hard-running, 200 pounders, and rough linemen Milton Miller and Wayne Drago. Seneca registers an 0-7-1 record. Coach Hal Taylor of Seneca looks for a real good contest from both teams.

The Wildcats will be up more than ever for this game. Besides wanting to finish the season on a

happy note, they will want to defend their unblemished record against the Redskins. Last year at Seneca, the Wildcats, led by Dan Sundberg, came from behind to whip Seneca 21-7. Two years ago Waggener won 34-7. The Wildcats will be at full strength mentally and physically today.

"Our boys will definitely be ready for this game, and have shown great drive considering the odds they have been up against this season," said Coach Rod Bagby.

**Cats Defeat Durrett, 14-13, In Tight Game**

Waggener won its second football game of the season as the Wildcats defeated Durrett's Demons, 14-13, in a close, hard-fought battle Friday, October 27 at Durrett.

Wildcat backs Mike Rodgers and Charles Friedman carried most of Waggener's offensive load with strong plunges through the line. Each scored a touchdown. Rodgers's tally came in the first quarter when he slammed over from the two. He also ran the extra point. Friedman's touchdown came in the third quarter with Waggener trailing, 13-7. His one-yard plunge led the game; and the extra point, also a run by Friedman, put the Wildcats ahead to stay.

A good passing attack provided the Durrett touchdowns. Both were scored on pass plays of forty-eight and forty yards from Gary Swigum to Joe Hebel. Durrett also seriously threatened two other times. Near the end of the first half, Durrett was very deep inside Waggener territory, but the Wildcats held on until the half ended. In the fourth quarter, a Durrett drive went all the way to the Waggener fifteen-yard line, where the Cat line courageously held and took over on downs.

Besides Rodgers and Friedman, Waggener standouts included Jim Brunnhoeffer, Butch Riley, Phil Terry, and Orbin Greene. Their fine, over-all defensive play helped to give Waggener its first win over Durrett in varsity football competition.



**Speaking of Sports**



by Richard Howington and Dave Kuhn

It's a toss-up this year as to who will win the county scoring race. For the first time in two years, Waggener does not have a contender for the title.

As of Oct. 26, Eastern's sophomore fullback Bob Baltzell was in the lead with 71 points followed by Skipper Martin of Fern Creek with 72 and Charles Mudd of Fairdale with 66 points. If Baltzell wins the title, it will be the first championship won by a sophomore.

It would seem that the staff has overlooked one of Waggener's fine football coaches, Mr. William Woodard. The sports department annually runs a picture of the football coaches with their names under it. Not only this year, but last year as well, Coach Woodard's name has been left out. We want to apologize for this error and assure Coach Woodard that we know he exists, for he has made some lasting impressions on the student body.

Waggener's Junior Varsity team lost to Durrett, 13-0, two weeks ago. J.V. Coach Woodard commented that the boys are still learning, but several of this year's J.V.'s should fill the gaps made in next year's team by the graduating seniors.

According to Coach Woodard, boys who should move up to varsity competition next year are backs Roger Smith, Lyle Metcalf, and Ted DeMunbrum. He also cited linemen Charles Wood (end), George Barrows (center), Doble Freeman (guard), and David Weiler (guard), as fine varsity prospects.

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## Speaking of Sports



by Richard Howington and Dave Kuhn

**Football at Waggener** is now officially over, with Waggener the possessor of a 2-7 record.

Looking back, we see that the team progressed a lot since the opening of the season. Many of the Cats were young and inexperienced, but the team gradually improved and by the end of the season began to jell, winning two of their last three games. Among the best games played were the Fairdale, DeSales, and Durrett games.

There were times during the year when the team looked especially tough. This might indicate the football outlook for next year at Waggener, for the great majority of the team will be back, and will not be as prone to make mistakes. We're looking for a good season next year for the Wildcats.

Although several times this year the outlook was bleak on the grass. There were often amusing incidents that made football practice more fun. Football players remember when Coaches Deim and Bagby took a try at kicking fieldgoals. Coach Cain was always ready for a wrestling match or arm wrestling contest with the players. This gentleman also always seemed to bring out smiles or words of sarcasm with his varied comments about himself and others.

Late congratulations to senior cheerleader Sherry Ross for being honored by the Courier-Journal as "Sweetheart of the Week."

Sarah Nutting has brought more honors to the city as an outstanding horsewoman. At the New York show, she won first prize in the Good Hands Class and took third prize in the National Junior Division. Congratulations, Sarah!

### Coach Deim Lauds This Year's Team; Looks To '62 Season

by Dave Kuhn

"The team showed a lot of courage and determination this year. It's difficult to keep working hard when you are losing games," commented Mr. Marty Deim, Waggener's head football coach.

Waggener lost four games by one touchdown which could have gone either way had the gotten some good breaks. Injuries also hurt the Cats throughout the season.

Mr. Deim commented that the highlight of the season was the victory over Durrett. "The victory was a team victory, and the boys showed a lot of spirit."

Coach Deim named Tom Helfrich, Joe Curry, Butch Riley, Chuck Freedman, Mike Rodgers, Paul Keith and Bruce Smith as the players who were outstanding throughout the season.

The Wildcats' fine coach believes that Alton, Valley and DeSales were the best teams that they faced this year, and that Bob Balfanz of Eastern, Richie Wilder of Alton, Charles Mudd of Fairdale and Pat McConaughy of Valley were the best players.

In conclusion, Mr. Deim said, "I think we will have a real good football team next year although a lot depends on how the sophomores come along."

Waggener lost only fourteen seniors and will have nineteen juniors and eleven sophomores returning from this year's varsity team.

### Basketball Season Opens With Game Against Carrollton

by Ian Zlotelov

Waggener opens against Carrollton High School on Friday, Dec. 1, at Masonic Home gym at 8:30. This year the Wildcats are in good shape for another successful team.

Regular starters returning are Keith Thomas, 6'2 1/2", senior guard; Paul Long, 6'1 1/2", senior forward; and semi-regular Mike Skelton, 6'2", senior center-forward. Other lettermen of last year's team include George Craig, 6'5", senior center; Dave Kuhn, 6', senior forward; Robin Hanlon, 5'10", senior guard; and Bob Bower, 6'3", senior forward.

In spite of the loss of Mike Gambill, Warren Van Hoose, and Kenny Lewis, the season's prospects are good. Big George Craig will be on the boards for Waggener and is capable of filling the steps of last year's All-County center, Gambill. Most of Waggener's hope of success this season will depend upon Paul Long and Keith Thomas. These boys, still growing, will give the Wildcats' opponents much trouble. Long's scoring average and Thomas' clutch shooting and hustle will be needed again this year for the Big Red and Gray if the Cats want another winning team.

Coach Roy "Doc" Adams predicts it will be a tough season, but we should come out on the winning side. A probable starting lineup cannot be given at this early stage of practice.

### Basketball Season Opens Dec. 1



FOOTBALL MANAGERS hard at work are: Charlie Traub, Bill Kitchen, Eddie Bignon, and Graham Cooke.



BLOYD goes out for a pass during Waggener's defeat by Seneca.

### Wildcats Lose Last Game, Defeated by Seneca, 19-6

Waggener's Wildcats closed out their 1961 football season with a 19-6 loss to Seneca in a hard-fought game Thursday afternoon, Nov. 3, at Waggener.

The Wildcats struck first, early in the first period. Waggener recovered a Seneca fumble on the Redekus thirty. With fullback Charles Friedman doing most of the ball-carrying, the Cats quickly moved the ball to the goal line. Friedman finally carried it over from the one. The score at the end of the first quarter was Waggener 6, Seneca 0.

Seneca struck twice for T.D.'s

as the Redskins went ahead in the second quarter. Don Waddell intercepted a Waggener pass and scampered forty-seven yards for the score. Seneca's other second period tally came on a short line plunge by Pete Boucher. The halftime score stood Seneca 13, Waggener 6.

Seneca put the wraps on the game in the final quarter with their third touchdown. Jim Swart ended a Redskin drive with a two yard plunge. Waggener wasn't able to push across another score, and the game ended with Seneca on top, 19-6.

### Behind The Scenes

#### Managers Play Big Role

by Susan Simpson

Every student and teacher is aware of the football team's hard work at practices and games. But how many have noticed the important work done by the student managers that makes it possible for the team to play?

The four managers—Eddie Bignon, Graham Cooke, Billy Kitchen and Charlie Traub—are responsible for all football equipment, including towels, ice, water, first-aid kit, and uniforms. They must go to every practice and game, are the first ones to hit the locker room and the last ones to leave. Continually, they are either picking up ice, taking uniforms to be cleaned or hunting for some last piece of equipment.

Graham and Charlie are both in

their second year of managing. This past summer Charlie took a course in taping ankles, legs, and other injuries, therefore, he is in charge of this. Graham is in charge of the tacking fees, besides his regular duties.

Billy and Eddie are both new this year but are working just as hard. Eddie's main responsibility is injuries; Billy's is tacking equipment.

The boys say that personal pleasure is the only reward for a lot of hard work, but they all enjoy the work and being around football.

Mr. Marty Deim commented, "These boys do more work and get less credit than anyone else on the field."

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# Wildcats Open Roundball Season With Easy Victory

## Coch 'Doc' Adams Plays Entire Bench In Sparkling Opener Against Carrollton

Waggener's Wildcats displayed an awesome offensive show as they rolled to an 88-34 win over hapless Carrollton last Friday night at Masonic Home Gym in their opening game of the 1961-62 basketball season.

Led by the shooting of Paul Long and Keith Thomas, the Cats got off to an early lead. They led 25-0 at the end of the first quarter and Carrollton was never in the game after that. The only time that Waggener was behind in the game was at the very outset, when they trailed 3-1. By halftime the Wildcats had accumulated 54 points. Long and Thomas personally accounted for 21 of these points, each hitting 12 and

17 points respectively in the first half. The halftime score stood Waggener 54, Carrollton 21.

Coch Adams started the same five for the second half as he had for the first, but started substituting freely midway through the third period. By the time Thomas went out he had scored 25 points. Long tallied 24, and of the other starters, Mike Skelton got 9, George Craig scored 5, and Dennis Beck collected 5. Butch Riley, playing as a reserve, got 10 points. The Cats had a hot night from the field, coughing in on 56 percent of their shots.

Carrollton was in foul trouble nearly all of the second half. Four of their starters fouled out and

the other ended up with four fouls on him. The high scorer for Carrollton was Parker, with 8 points. This gives an indication of the tight Waggener defense.

CARROLLTON TO		WAGGENER 88	
Player	pts. ft. p.	Player	pts. ft. p.
Kerr	2 3 2	Riley	10 10 0
Harbin	0 0 5	Skellon	9 10 0
Barb	0 0 1	Kaw	0 0 0
Ward	1 4 8	Ward	0 0 0
Rh	1 3 5	Beck	5 2 1
Park	2 4 2	Parkman	0 0 0
Witt	1 1 2	Wright	0 0 0
Jones	0 0 5	Tray	2 1 2
Stewart	0 0 0	Steban	1 3 2
Stacy	3 1 2	Pome	0 0 0
Walt	3 2 0	Dunn	0 1 1
Total	10 24 50	Walt	1 2 0
		Thomas	6 8 5
		Long	7 15 1
		Total	29 30 23
			25 24 79 92



ROBIN HANLON  
8-10 Guard  
"Always Hoots"



PAUL LONG  
6-1 Guard-Forward  
"All State Potential"



DAVE KUHN  
6-8 Forward  
"Good Shooter"

## Cats Meet Shelby Friday Night There

Waggener Wildcats play Shelby County High School at Shelby County Gym tomorrow at 8:00 p.m. in what promises to be one of the toughest games of the 18 game schedule.

The Shelby County Rockets will be looking for revenge against the Cats who trounced the Rockets last year 63-53. Shelby County has improved steadily through last year and is regarded as one of the 8th Region's powerhouses. Shelby County won the 8th Region last year and went to the state tournament in Lexington. They were defeated in the quarter-finals.

## Staff Rates Cats No. 1

This is the time of the year when everyone is making early predictions on the present basketball season. We on the Chit-Chat sports staff, realizing the danger in making early picks in the unpredictable Seventh Region, decided to stick our necks out and take a poll of the sportswriters rating the teams in our region. The individual cards were averaged and the final result appears below. Some of the choices were surprising; others were more or less expected.

The county could again take away the region title from the city, as four of the teams on the

list are county teams. Conspicuous by its low rating is city power Shawnee, but most of the writers polled thought that Southern, with three starters returning, and Fairdale, with all five returning, were just as strong if not stronger than the Indians. The regional ratings are as follows:

1. St. Xavier
- Waggener — tie
3. Seneca
4. Central
5. Male
6. Southern
7. Fairdale
- Shawnee — tie



BUTCH RILEY  
6-1 Guard  
"Tough On Defense"



GEORGE CRAIG  
6-1 Center  
"Has Improved Greatly"

## 1961-62 Official Roster

Player	Class
Mike Rogers	So.
Warner Maxwell	Jr.
John Koon	Jr.
Dave Kuhn	Sr.
Dennis Beck	Jr.
David Peariman	So.
Ricky Mitchell	So.
George Craig	Sr.
Mike Skelton	Sr.
Bob Ewler	Sr.
Phil Combs	So.
Ben Boose	So.
Barney Neal	Jr.
Keith Thomas	Sr.
Paul Long	Sr.
Rusty Garth	Jr.
Robin Hanlon	Sr.
Butch Riley	So.



MIKE SKELTON  
6-2 Center-Forward  
"Great Rebounder"

## Speaking of Sports

by Richard Howington and Dave Kuhn

**Basketball season** at Waggener is now underway with the Wildcats off to a strong start. This year the county race is a tussle with Seneca, Southern, Fairdale, and our own Waggener scrambling for top honors. Seneca was the top choice in the Courier Journal coaches poll. Coach Bob Mulcahy's Redskins will have returning starters Mike Redd and David Cosby back from last year's 7th Region and County Champs. Although hurt by the loss of their big center George Unsell, the Redskins will have Unsell's 6'5", 200 lb. brother, Wesley Unsell.

Southern will also be tough. The Trojans will have four returning regulars and one semi-regular from their 1960-61 team which had an 18-6 record. Jerry Sanders, a 6'4" Trojan forward, is a strong all-county prospect. Fairdale also could be capable of giving trouble, since they have all five starters, including Charles Mudd, returning from last year's team.

Outside of the county the Wildcats will encounter some of the toughest teams in the state. On Jan. 12 the Tigers of St. Xavier will come to Masonic Home for one of the biggest games of the year. Big man of their three returning starters is 6'6" Mike Silliman. A nationally circulated magazine rates Mike tops in the state, and also rates him as the number one player on

their High School All-American. That's about the biggest honor a high school player can get.

When the Cats play Male High they will encounter John Lawson, who has been dubbed "the best shot in the state." Last year Lawson averaged 19.3 points a game and shot 38 percent from the field. He's a sure candidate for All-State honors this year.

Atherton boasts one of the best players in the 7th region in Garner Petrie. This 6'9" All-City center has improved a great deal over last year, and this could finally be his year.

As you can see, this year Waggener will play one of its toughest schedules ever. But it should be an interesting season as well, with the Wildcats countering these tough teams with their All-State candidates, Paul Long and Keith Thomas. We at Waggener consider Thomas to be one of the best, if not the best, shots in the state. Long showed his fine ability last year by scoring 17 points per game. He undoubtedly is one of the finest all around players in the state.

Congratulations to the following Waggener footballers who made All-County Honorable Mention: Butch Riley, Bruce Smith, Phil Terry, Tom Helfrich, and Joe Floyd. All of these except Tom Helfrich will be returning next year and will form much of the nucleus of the Wildcat team.



BARNEY NEAL  
5-10 Guard  
"Cool Under Pressure"



KEITH THOMAS  
6-2 Guard  
"Best Shot In State"

**See**  
Waggener play  
Shelby County ..... Dec. 8  
Pleasure Ridge  
Park ..... Dec. 12  
Atherton ..... Dec. 15



## Speaking of Sports



by Richard Howington and Dave Kahn

In this Christmas issue of the Chit-Chat we thought it would be interesting to recap the many outstanding athletic achievements of Waggenerites that have taken place since December, 1960. Waggener athletes have made their school well-known in this short period of time in the field of basketball, baseball, track, tennis, golf, and swimming.

**Waggener got off** to a good start in basketball last year by beating St. X in their opening game. This brought people's attention to Waggener's roundballers, and the team proved their stuff with a 16-7 season. They lost to Seneca by only one point in the finals of the district tournament, and participated in the regional tournament, which was won by Seneca.

**Our golfers** were second to none last year, as our duffers took top honors in the state golf championship at Fort Knox. Of that great team, three of the top men, Jack Burrice, Rick Acree, and Ron Acree returned. Only Phil Scherer was lost by graduation.

**Spring sports** were very popular at Waggener. Our baseball team, led by the pitching of Kenny Lewis, won the county championship. But even greater honors were ahead for Waggener baseballers. In an exciting, extra-inning game our Wildcats beat Manual, 1-0, for the 7th Region Championship. The hustling Cats went to Lexington for the state baseball championship, and made a fine name for themselves. No one stopped them until they got to the finals and lost to Caverna 1-0, in a thrilling contest. Highlight of the game was a triple play Caverna pulled off in the final inning to quell a Wildcat rally. Still our boys were proud to claim the runner-up trophy.

**Getting high honors** seemed to become a habit for Waggener athletes. Our swimming team came through quite creditably and were runners-up in the state swimming meet. Last year was the second year in a row that the Waggener swimming team won the runner-up trophy.

Butch Mathis brought the attention of sports people to Waggener last spring. This perfectly conditioned athlete won the state half-mile run and set a state record in doing so. Many weeks of hard work went into this effort.

**Two girls** brought fame to Waggener in the state tennis tournament. Waggener's Pam Sullivan, playing at top form, won the state's singles championship in the Girls' State High School Tennis Tourney held at Shawnee Park. Waggener almost made a clean sweep of the state as the doubles team of Gayle Hassman and Sue Stafford was barely beaten out in the finals of the doubles championship. Waggener students were heard of frequently over the summer as they participated in the various sports of golf, tennis, and swimming.

**All too soon** school started again and the attention of Waggenerites was turned to football. Much has been said in earlier issues about the past football season, but one thing that hasn't been mentioned is that Bruce Smith was given a place on the Courier-Journal All-State Honorable Mention Team.

If this year's teams pile up as many accomplishments as last year's teams in the space between now and next December, Waggener will be in top notch shape.

## Wildcats Swamp P.R.P. In One-Sided Game, 91-57

Waggener got its fourth straight win of the basketball season as the Wildcats crushed Pleasure Ridge Park, 91-57, behind a well-balanced scoring attack, Tuesday, Dec. 12, at Masonic Home Gym.

The Cats started piling up the points right away and were never seriously challenged. The first quarter score showed a spread of 10 points, with the Wildcats ahead, 18-8. At halftime Waggener had stretched this to a 20 point lead, 49-29.

Waggener's scoring was distributed more evenly than it had been in preceding games. Instead of a two-man performance by Keith Thomas and Paul Long, Waggener

had all five starters scoring in double figures. Long and Thomas still led the team though, with 28 and 19 points respectively. Mike Skelton scored his highest number of points thus far this year with 17. Dennis Beck added 12, and Butch Riley, in his first starting assignment, got 13.

Tom Johnson was the high man for Pleasure Ridge's winless Panthers with 22 points. He was followed by Ginn with 14.

With 4:20 remaining, Waggener had 91 points and the Wildcat fans started cheering. "We want a hundred." But Coach Adams took the starting five out the remainder of the game and the Cats weren't able to reach this mark.

## Cagers Win Third; Half Rockets 72-53

Waggener's Wildcats rolled to their third straight win of the basketball season as they defeated Shelby County's Rockets, 72-53, Friday, Dec. 8 at Shelby County.

Waggener jumped off to a quick start and was never headed. The Cats led at all stops, and increased their lead each quarter to the final margin.

But the score does not tell the whole story. Although the Wildcats won by 19 points, Shelby County was usually just close enough to make things uncomfortable for the Cats.

Waggener was in foul trouble early. The game was called very closely. Many of the fouls called were for pushing off and the like. Two of Waggener's starters fouled out of the game and three other Wildcat players ended up with four fouls on them and had to play very carefully throughout the game. Shelby County got 23 out of their 53 points on free throws.

Waggener had three men scoring in double figures. The Cats' guards, Keith Thomas and Paul Long, scored 26 and 25 points, respectively. Long scored 15 of his points on free throws. Mike Skelton, as always, turned in a creditable performance, contributing 14. Big George Craig, who doesn't shoot much, hit the mark for 3 points. Barney Neal, seeing a lot of action for the first time this year, also got in the scoring column.

Shelby County's high-point man was Lyle Perry, with 14 points.

The Cats are proud of this victory, since Shelby County is rated as one of the top teams in the Eighth Region.

## Defensive Plays Spark JV First Win

Opening the 1961-62 junior varsity season, Coach Vernon Jones' Kittens defeated Carrollton at Masonic Home on December 1, by 42-36. At Oldham County on Dec. 5, they defeated the Colonels' J.V. team, 27-26.

Coach Jones says that the team has been excellent in defense and has been working well together as a team. The lineup for these games has included Mike Rodgers, Ben Boone, Ricky Mitchell, Dave Pearlman, Raymond Beck, Phil Combs, and Latham Speiden.

The Oldham County game was a real thriller for everyone. The score was tied with 20 seconds left in the game when guard Ben Boone sank a free throw which was the decisive point. Sophomore Dave Pearlman and Ricky Mitchell have been so outstanding, that they are dressing for varsity games. Mike Rodgers and Raymond Beck have come through on the boards for the aggressive Kittens.

Junior Varsity games are always held as the preliminary to varsity games at 6:30.



Photo by Al Black

FIGHTING FOR REBOUND in Oldham County game is Mike Skelton. Cats won 65-37.

## Long, Thomas, Skelton Pace Cats' Second Straight Win

Led by the shooting of Paul Long and Keith Thomas and by the rebounding and defensive work of Mike Skelton, Waggener edged by Oldham County 65-37, Tuesday, Dec. 5 at La Grange.

The game was close all the way and was not decided until about the last minute of play. Behind the attack of Long and Thomas, Waggener jumped to a 13-11 first quarter lead. But the fired-up Oldham County team played tight defensive ball in the second quarter. They forced the Wildcats to make too many floor errors, and outscored them 14-9 in the second period. At halftime Oldham led 25-22.

Waggener played a much better brand of basketball the second half but could never build up a comfortable lead against the Colonels. Midway through the third period the Wildcats grabbed the lead and they led 43-41 going into the final period.

The game see-sawed back and

forth in the last quarter. Oldham's sophomore center Robert Jenkins, playing outstandingly, tied the score on a basket and a foul shot, with about 6 minutes to go. With 5:45 remaining on the clock, Jenkins put the Colonels ahead for the last time on a jump shot from the foul line.

Coach Adams, in an attempt to stop Jenkins' scoring spree, put Mike Skelton on the Oldham County Center, and Mike did a great job, allowing him only two free throws the rest of the way. Then two straight baskets by Skelton, two by Thomas, and one by Long sewed the game up for Wildcats.

Thomas finished high for Waggener with 25 points. Long ended up with 21. But the big difference was the 13 rebounds pulled off by Skelton, who also threw in 10 points.

The top scorer for Oldham County, and for the game, was Jenkins, with 28 points.

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## Long, Thomas pace Waggener over strong Oldham County, 65-57

By Richard Howington  
Led by the shooting of ace guards, Paul Long and Keith Thomas, and by the rebounding and defensive work of Milk Skelton, Waggener's Wildcats edged by the Colonels of Oldham County 65-57 Tuesday, December 5 at La Grange.

The game was close until about the last minute of play. Quick baskets by Long and Thomas put Waggener ahead early in the first quarter and the Wildcats were able to hold on for a 13-11 first quarter lead.

But the fired-up Oldham County team fought back

to take the lead in the second quarter under the leadership of their sophomore center, Robert Jenkins. Waggener was defended closely and was forced to make too many errors. Oldham County grabbed the lead at half-time, 25-22.

Waggener played a better brand of basketball in the third quarter. Long and Thomas again put the Wildcats ahead with their shooting in this nip-and-tuck battle. Going into the fourth quarter, Waggener barely held on to a 43-41 lead.

The game see-sawed back and forth in the crucial fourth period. Jenkins tied the game on a three-pointer and with about five minutes left, put the Colonels ahead for the last time in the game with a basket. But then Wildcat Coach "Doc" Adams put senior, Mike Skelton on Jenkins. Skelton did a fine job, holding the Oldham County center to two free throws the rest of the way. Then successive baskets by Long, Thomas, and Skelton gradually opened up the Wildcat lead, and when the final gun sounded, the Wildcats were on top by an eight point margin.

Top scorers in the game for Waggener were Keith Thomas and Paul Long, with 25 and 21 points, respectively. But the big difference in this game was Mike Skelton, who pulled off 15 rebounds. Also, six of Skelton's 10 points came in the final period at crucial times. Other Wildcats who scored were George Craig with 7, and Dennis Beck with 2 points.

The high scorer for Oldham County, and for the game, was Robert Jenkins, with 25 points. Bob Wright, another Colonel sophomore, got 15.

## Waggener defeats Rockets of Shelby County, 72-53

By Richard Howington

Waggener rolled to its third straight win of the basketball season as the Wildcats defeated Shelby County's Rockets by a score of 72-53 Friday December 8 at Shelby County's gym.

The Wildcats jumped out to an early lead and were never headed. The hot-shooting Cats led at all stops and increased their lead each quarter until the final margin of 19 points.

The game was refereed very closely. Many of the fouls called under the boards were for pushing off. Two starters on each team fouled out, and Waggener had three of its remaining players with four fouls each. As a result, Shelby County made 23 of their 53 points on free throws.

Waggener's high-point men were, as usual, Keith Thomas and Paul Long.

Thomas poured in 26 points and Long scored 25. Mike Skelton turned in his second straight performance with 14 points. Other Wildcats in the scoring column were George Craig with 5 and Barry Neal with 2. Neal, up from last year's J. V.'s, saw a lot of action for the first time this year. Other Waggener players who played but didn't score were Butch Riley, Dennis Beck, and Dave Pearlman.

Waggener will be seeking its fifth straight win of the season tomorrow night when the Wildcats play an away game with Atherton at 8 p.m.