



Photo by Robert Himmann

Raney of Syracuse University rides Ralph Panfil of RIT in the 145-pound match at the NAAU Niagara District Tournament at the University of

Buffalo, March 17. Panfil was decisioned by Raney in this match. RIT wrestlers did an outstanding job at the tournament by winning six medals.

Wrestlers Win Six Medals at Buffalo Matches

RIT walked away with six medals from the Niagara District Tournament of the NAAU wrestling tournament March 17 at the University of Buffalo. The Institute wrestlers racked up one first place, three second places and two third places.

Larry Wilson at 136 pounds was the standout for the RIT squad with three pins over Cellino of the University of Buffalo, Jacobson of the Niagara YMCA, and Campbell of Syracuse University.

Ezio DeCristofaro, Jim Harkness, and Don Sewing earned second place medals in the 115-, 128- and 191-pound divisions respectively.

Ralph Panfil and Mike Pukish placed third in their weight divisions. Medals are awarded to the

winners of the first three places

Prospects for a successful season next year look good, according to Coach Earl Fuller. Only two of the men will be lost via graduation and from what can be learned now none will be leaving for the Armed Forces either through the draft or enlistment.

"If nothing unforeseen happens to the squad, we should have a strong team at the beginning of next year," Fuller said.

RESULTS OF TOURNAMENT

115 pounds: DeCristofaro drew a bye and was later decisioned by Worth (Amherst).

128: Harkness (RIT) decisioned Howard 2-1 (Ithaca College); was decisioned by Blackman 1-0.

136: Wilson pinned Cellino (U of Buffalo) 1:06; pinned Jacobson

(Niagara Y) 3:20; pinned Campbell (Syracuse University) 5:30.

145: Panfil pinned Mitchell (Ithaca College) 5:19; decisioned Judd (U. of Buffalo) 7-6; decisioned Bero (U. of Buffalo) 3-2; was decisioned by Raney (Syracuse) 6-5.

155: Pukish was pinned by Iacovelli (Cornell) 4:95; Pukish won by default over Hillard (Buffalo Jewish Center); decisioned Blair (RIT) referee's decision.

155: Blair decisioned Westin (U. of Buffalo); was decisioned by Arnold (Cornell) 2-0.

165: Hughes decisioned by Turko (Cornell) 6-5.

191: Sewing pinned Dumas (Pine Hill School); decisioned Dolan (Buffalo) 6-5; was pinned by Coad (Cornell) 4:30.