

## Intersectional Pairings



# Agone, Sully Face 'Tigers'

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Ithaca—Mike Agone and Ron Sullivan, the Triple Cities two color-bearers in Saturday's first state intersectional wrestling championships at Cornell's Barton Hall, find their coming assignments not a little like the Labors of Hercules.

Sullivan, the Vestal sophomore 169-pounder who came from noplacement in the sectionals, is up against Section 1's "Outstanding Wrestler" designee in the quarterfinals, and, if he handles that assignment, two hours later will probably tackle a Long Islander with an "Outstanding Wrestler" trophy from HIS meet.

Agone, the former Vestal wrestling manager who became a two-time Sectional 149-pound king for U-E, is confronted by unbeaten men from both Westchester and Nassau.

**THE CORNELL PAIRINGS** pit Section 4 against Section 1 (Westchester and lower Hudson Valley) in the quarters, the winners against the Section 8 (Nassau) team that is expected to obliterate Section 7 (Champlain district) in the first round.

Football-end Sullivan, fifth-seeded in the area meet but its champ at the finish, meets Roger Helman of New Rochelle in the quarters. Helman is 18-0, polishing off three foes before the final period last Saturday despite a week of West Point exams that had him scooting up the river every afternoon.

The Section 8 man at 169 is Tom Schlendorf of Merrick's Calhoun High, 21-0 this year and one of five 2-time Nassau champs.

Its 12-man team shows a composite 251-6-4 record for the year, the only two-time loser a North Shore 131-pounder named Ralph Sammis who tied Schlendorf in the "Outstanding" vote.

The unflinching fortitude of a John L. is required of Sullivan. Just supposing he makes the finals: the likely man waiting there is Walter Miles of Riverhead, L. I., "Outstanding Wrestler" in the Section 11 and titleholder for three years.

**AGONE'S FIRST ROUND** rival is Bob Carraway of Hendrick Hudson High of Montrose, N. Y., while the second unbeaten in his path is repeat champ Ken Haldendorf of Calhoun.

No matter how he does on Saturday, however, it's likely that Mike will get plenty of later chances on Cornell mats. The Big Red is his No. 1 college choice, with coach Jimmy Miller all too agreeable, while fraternal-twin Dave (who made it to the sectional 137-pound semis) is more likely to proceed to Syracuse or Cortland State.

Actually Section 4 may fare very well in the first round. A Westchester coach, commenting on immediate pairing with Section 4, muttered, "Thanks a LOT!" and a Long Island coach predicts 10 advances by Section 4. But the Section 8 boys will be something else again. Wrestling never seems to get anything



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but better on the Island, where Mephram again was team champion.

**NO "OUTSTANDING WRESTLER"** will be named in at Barton Hall, and no team scores officially will be kept. But there is a trophy for the quickest pin, and it's easy enough to tote up a quick unofficial count, based on 10 points for a first, 7 for second, 4 for third, 2 for a fourth, and 1 for every pin.

Separate admissions will be sold to the afternoon and evening (7 p. m.) cards. The eight officials will include two from Section 4: one-time Ithaca 99-pound champ Lou Tudi and former Vestal coach Phil Persley.

Here's how the Section 4 quarterfinals shape up, with the Section 8 man looming in parentheses:

99-Jake Benninger, Ithaca, vs. Joe Bellucci, Carmel (Peter Henning, Wantagh, 24-1); 107-Dan Thompson, Horseheads, vs. Wayne Richards, Carmel (John Harris, Hempstead, 18-1-1); 116-Dave Bush, Homer, vs. John Carlucci, Mount Vernon (Robert Stock, Mephram, 20-0-1); 124-Mike Turco, Ithaca, vs. Charles Pinkney, New Rochelle; (Elliott Pepper, Berner, 22-0); 131-Tom Riley, Owego, vs. Roger Swanson, Wappingers Falls (Ralph Sammis, Mineola, 17-2-1); 137-Richie Leonardo, Ithaca, vs. Al Bocwell, Hendrick Hudson (Tom Gleason, Mephram, 21-1).

142-Dale Smith, Horseheads, vs. Mike Viggiano, Mount Vernon (Andy Taylor, Freeport, 22-0); 149-Mike Agone, U-E, vs. Bob Carraway, Hendrick Hudson (Ken Haldendorf, Calhoun, 21-9); 158-Gerris Stone, Sidney, vs. Ray Johnson, Mount Vernon (Mark DiMico, Mephram, 21-0); 169 Ron Sullivan, Vestal, vs. Roger Helman, New Rochelle (Tom Schlendorf, Calhoun); 184 - Jerry Beach, Ithaca, vs. Howard Wilson, Mount Vernon (Jerry Blumberg, Valley Stream, 20-1); unlimited-Don Curtis, Bainbridge-Guilford, vs. Brian Lucas, Scarsdale (Guido Carloni, Uniondale, 24-0).

## Candy Shipment

Arcadia, Cal. — (P) — Candy Spots, winner of last Saturday's Santa Anita Derby, will be flown to Florida soon after the Santa Anita meeting ends March 11 and probably will run in the Florida Derby at Gulfstream March 30. Candy Spots is regarded as California's top threat in the Kentucky Derby.