

2 champs at Fulton

LaBeef, Rogers

By TOM STARNER
Fulton

After Ron LaBeef suffered a cracked rib and had problems making weight last Friday night, Fulton wrestling coach Wayne Bleau wasn't sure his 126-pound senior would be ready to wrestle Saturday in the state championships.

LaBeef not only was ready, he wound up with a state title.

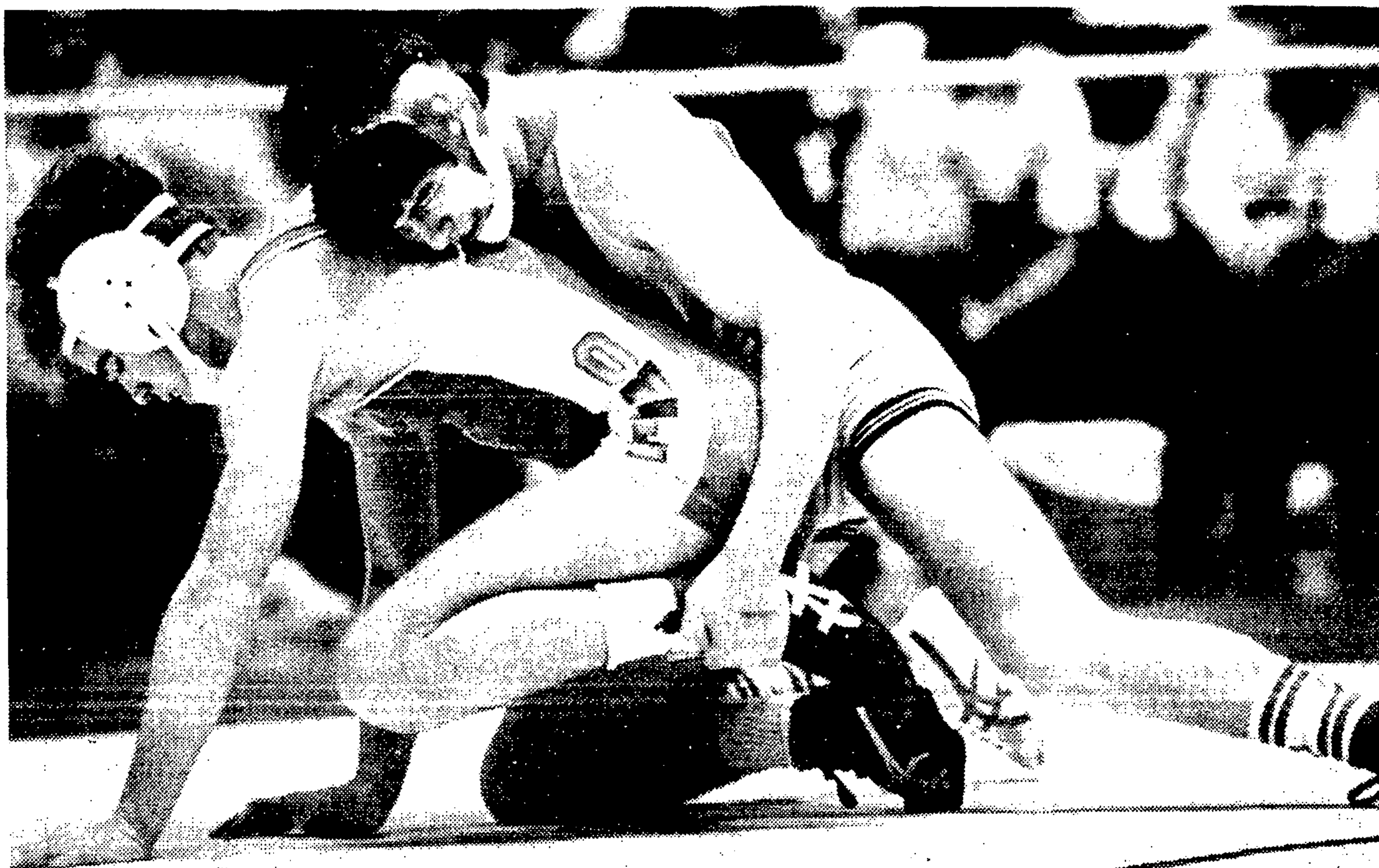
LaBeef got his cracked rib in Friday night's quarterfinal roundwin, 11-8, over Pete Yozzo of Sayville (Section Eleven). LaBeef held a commanding 11-2 lead before Yozzo connected on a six-point flurry which culminated with LaBeef struggling to stay off his back as the bout ended. When Yozzo scored a takedown, his fist got between his body and LaBeef's as the two crashed to the mat. The result was LaBeef's cracked rib.

"Ron couldn't run Friday night, so I got him up Saturday at five-thirty in the morning to run. I wasn't sure if he'd wrestle," Bleau says. "But there was no way he was going to miss out.

"Ron is just unbelievable," Bleau adds. "There's a kid who epitomizes the whole wrestling philosophy at Fulton. Tough, hard-nosed. He owned the kids in the finals."

After surviving his battle with Yozzo, LaBeef scored an impressive 6-1 decision over Bronxville's Joe Sullivan in the semifinals before ripping Chris Doherty of Berner (Section Eight) in the finals, 8-2.

"He walked right through the finals," Bleau says. "The kid got his two points at the very end."



Fulton's Ron LaBeef (top) works over Bronxville's Joe Sullivan in the 126-pound intersectional semifinals.

Photo by David Lassman

Also winning a state title for Fulton was 167-pounder Lelan Rogers. Rogers trailed 6-1 before a second- and third-period rush earned him an impressive 9-6 win over Sachem's Dan Mayo.

"That Mayo is some wrestler," Bleau says. "He won a gold medal in the Empire State Games and was a national Greco-Roman champion. When Lelan was behind 6-1, he had a half-nelson and an arm bar in and he was cranking that kid all over the mat. But Mayo just wouldn't go over. At that point I was a little worried."

Rogers finally came back with an escape, takedown and back points, while

Mayo ran out of gas and was hit with two stalling calls in the third period.

"Lelan just out-conditioned him. The kid couldn't keep up with Lelan," Bleau says. "Lelan was in an awful tough bracket. That kid from Rochester, (Tom) Rosa, was very good. The guys from Lelan's bracket took third and fourth. That's saying a lot."

Oswego's Jim Matteson was also pushed to the limit before he successfully defended his 177-pound title.

Matteson, whose only loss this season was to Rogers during dual meets, had a tough semifinal bout with Todd Mabb of Ballston Spa. Mabb had Matteson on his back before the Buc senior rallied for a

crushing 14-5 win.

"Matteson was looking at the lights," Bleau says. "But he showed why he's a state champ by coming back and winning."

Matteson trimmed Cassadaga Valley's highly touted Jim Beichner 5-4 in the finals to claim his second straight 177-pound crown.

Also winning state titles for the Section Three team, which finished third with 195½ points, were Canastota's Dave Gleeson (91) and Liverpool's Tim Green.

"The Section Three team was a very close-knit group this year," Bleau says. "They really got behind each other."

CNY Matmen Powerful

As evidenced by the presence of five state champions - Dave Gleeson of Canastota at 91 pounds, Ron LaBeef (Fulton) at 126, Lelan Rogers (Fulton) at 167, Jim Matteson (Oswego) at 177 and Tim Green (Liverpool) at heavyweight, Section Three's wrestling is on a par with the state's best. Further, Fulton's No. 1 ranking and War Memorial team appearance moments before the state finals, gave further proof of CNY mat prowess.

However, as indicated by a chorus of boos which greeted Fulton's appearance Saturday, CNY's wrestlers haven't yet convinced downstate mat enthusiasts of its prowess. It might behoove upstate teams to attend the New York State Cup — even if the tourney stays at West Point — in future years to further demonstrate superiority. Especially, since the Cup champion will be guaranteed to finish no worse than a tie for No. 1 in future state wrestling ratings.

As State Cup organizer Al Bevilacqua rhetorically asked a group of upstate wrestling buffs at the State Meet, "Have you noticed that we always wrestle you people in Syracuse? When was the last time an upstate team came to Long Island to wrestle?" No one could give him an answer.

LAST LAP — Central Square's rifle team, a close third at the state meet last Saturday, was 21-0 in duals, extending its winning streak to 187 meets since 1971. That is believed to be the longest active win skein of any sport in New York state. . . Basketball star Bill "Cookie" Jackson of Binghamton, who excelled in defeat against Bishop Ludden last Friday, was arrested for the second time this season Sunday and charged with burglary. . . Former Henninger High basketball player Steve Malecki has scintillated at guard for Baltimore Loyola's basketball team this winter. . . At the State Intersectional indoor track meet last Saturday, two-miler Joe Thedford of Onondaga Central placed second with an Onondaga League indoor record of 9:19.9. In school scoring, Cicero-North Syracuse was fourth with 16 points. . . Rome Free Academy's football team is seeking games the first two weekends of next fall, Sept. 17-18 and Sept. 24-25. . . LaFayette High is in need of an assistant lacrosse coach. . . In girls' basketball, ranked No. 1 in New York is little Class C power Marlboro-9, coached by Jim Van Allen, the former Altmar-Parish-Williamstown football coach.

Ludden and Nottingham Hoop Squads Advance

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Ludden coach Jerry Wilcox, who sent assistant coach Mark Wadach to scout Saturday's South Park title win over Rochester champion Rush Henrietta Sperry, 85-80, says, "South Park is a lot like Nottingham — not real tall, but extremely quick. We'll try to control the tempo, though we won't hold the ball."

South Park, having soared above the 100-point plateau nine times this winter, features the inside tandem of 6-3 senior James Clinton (25.8 ppg) and 6-4 center Ray Salters (17.8 ppg). They team with a trio of sophomores, forward Adrian Meadows (7 ppg), plus guards Dave Lias (13.6 ppg), and Tim Steward (11.7).

Reportedly, third-year South Park coach Romeo McKinney uses all 11 of his players in every game, applying defensive pressure all over the court, every minute of the contest.

As for Nottingham, coach Tony Smarrelli's Bulldogs, led by All-Stater Ron Legette, Pony Bullock and Adolphus Brunson, are favored over Rochester Cardinal Mooney. If the Bulldogs win, they could meet the No. 1 state-ranked small school, Catskill-2 (24-0), at Glens Falls in a long-anticipated matchup March 27th. Catskill faces Poughkeepsie in the Eastern Zone Class B final at

Marist College in Poughkeepsie Saturday.

In wrestling, Section Three had the most state champions, five, ever achieved at a state tourney Saturday night at the Onondaga County War Memorial. Yet Section Three placed third with 194.5 points, behind an experienced Section Two champion team that rolled up 229 points.

Local champs were Dave Gleeson (Canastota) at 98 pounds, Ron LaBeef (Fulton) at 126 and the "Murderers' Row" of Lelan Rogers (Fulton) at 167, two-tie state king Jim Matteson (Oswego) at 177 plus All-American footballer Tim Green (Liverpool) at heavyweight. That Onondaga League trio impressed observers from all across the Empire State as they muscled to consecutive state titles in front of 5,000 fans.

Liverpool's Green, committed to Syracuse University to play football, will forsake wrestling his freshman year. However, Green has stated he will perhaps give wrestling a try the following year after current SU heavyweight John Dougherty graduates. SU, however, also owns 1981 state heavyweight champion Andy Schwab of Elmira, who pinned the pride of Liverpool twice last winter.

H.S. Wrestling

TEAM STANDINGS

Section Two 229, Section Eight 210, Section Three 194.5, Section Eleven 174, Section Five 130, Section Six 123.5, Section Four 106.5, Section Nine 90, Section One 63.5, Section Seven 51, Section Ten 18.5 CHSAA 10, PSAL 9.

Individual Results

Finals

91 — Dave Gleeson (Canastota-3) dec. John Condame (Waverly-4), 6-6, 2-0 OT. 98 — Kieran Mock (Huntington-11) dec. Anthony Bellai (Mt. Pleasant-2) dec. Robert Pannariello (Bay Shore-11), 19-6. 1 — Al Palacio (Long Beach-8) dec. Mark Virkler (Beaver River-3), 6-4. 119 — Bob Starke (Sachem-11) dec. Joe Wilse (Saratoga-2), 6-3. 126 — Ron LaBeef (Fulton-3) dec. Chris Doherty (Berner-8), 8-1. 132 — John Placek (Niskayuna-2) dec. Herb Valentin (Long Beach-8), 10-8. 1 — Glen Lanham (Lindenhurst-11) dec. Dean Zuccherro (Calhoun-8), 5-1. 145 — Jon Cardl (Burnt Hills-2) dec. Morris White (Canandaigua-5), 8-2. 155 — Mike Arpey (Saratoga-2) dec. Mike Leonard (Long Beach-8), 4-4, 6-1 OT. 167 — Lela Rogers (Fulton-3) dec. Dan Mayo (Sachem-11), 9-6. 177 — Jim Matteson (Oswego-3) dec. Jim Belchner (Cassadaga Valley-6), 5-4. 215 — Tim Green (Liverpool-3) dec. Scott Sabo (Granville-2), 1-4. 250 — Steve Whelan (Massapequa) dec. Steve Vetsch (Saratoga-2), 10-2.

Individual Results

Semifinals

91 -- Gleeson (Canastota-3) dec. Bradenstein (Orchard Park-6), 10-2; Condame (Waverly-4) dec. Hibbard (Canandaigua-5), 7-7, 8-0 OT. 98 -- Lake (Long Beach-8) dec. Consiglio (N. Rockland-9) 8-0; Mock (Huntington-11) dec. Ello (Arlington-1), 11-3. 105 -- Bellai (Mt. Pleasant-2) dec. Hollamby (Peru-7), 11-3; Pannariello (Bay Shore-11) dec. Siegfried (Seneca Falls-5), 5-4. 112 -- Virkler (Beaver River-3) dec. Clark (Voorheesville-2), 6-4; Palacio (Long Beach-8) dec. King (Canandaigua-5), 12-6. 119 -- Wilse (Saratoga-2) dec. Arena (Mepham-8), 1-3; Starke (Sachem-11) dec. Bauer (Gate Chilli-5), 16-2. 126 -- Doherty (Berner-8) dec. Ferrante (New Paltz-9), 13-4; LaBeef (Fulton-3) dec. Sullivan (Bronxville-1), 6-1. 132 -- Valentin (Long Beach-8) dec. Kane (Penfield-5), 3-2; Placek (Niskayuna-2) dec. Simmons (Waverly-4), 1-3. 138 -- Lanham (Lindenhurst-11) pinned Lisi (Fox Lane-1), 3:09; Zuccherro (Calhoun-8) dec. Fishbein (Monroe-Woodbury-9), 9-6. 145 -- Cardl (Burnt Hills-2) dec. Sola (Lynbrook-8), 8-5; White (Canandaigua-5) dec. Dabolt (Pioneer-6), 7-1. 155 -- Arpey (Saratoga-2) dec. Ashlin (Peru-7), 13-2; Leonard (Long Beach-8) dec. Pidel (New Paltz-9), 10-9. 167 -- Mayo (Sachem-11) pinned Hoffman (Pioneer-6), 3:28; Rogers (Fulton-3) dec. Ross (Rush Henrietta-Sperry-5), 10-4. 177 -- Matteson (Oswego-3) dec. Mabb (Balston Spa-2), 14-5; Belchner (Cassadaga Valley-6) pinned Rowntree (Cardinal Mooney-5), 1:59. 215 -- Green (Liverpool-3) pinned Cox (Freeport-8), 1:02; Sabo (Granville-2) pinned Patnode (Massena-10), 1:56. 250 -- Whelan (Massapequa) dec. Keith (Elmira Southside-4), 9-3; Vetsch (Saratoga-2) dec. L'Heureux (Peru-7), 7-1.



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Canastota wrestler Dave Gleeson (top) struggles to victory.

CNY Matmen Trail

By NEIL KERR

With its "Murderers' Row" winning two bouts apiece, Section Three's gold-uniformed wrestling team acquired 72.5 points and moved into third place Friday at the 20th annual New York State Intersectional Tournament.

Semifinal matches resume at 11 a.m. today in the Onondaga County War Memorial, leading to 8 p.m. finals.

Locally, the "Murderers' Row," composed of Fulton's Lelan Rogers at 167 pounds, defending Empire State 177-pound champion Jim Matteson of Oswego and All-American football player Tim Green of Liverpool at heavyweight, all muscled their way impressively into the semifinals.

● Rogers, whose only defeats the past two winters

have come against rival Matteson of Oswego, pinned both his Friday opponents. The Fulton senior, who led the Red Raiders to No. 1 state dual meet ranking this season, disposed of Gene Ashline of Peru-7 in 4:41 and Joe Conklin of Canton at 2:56.

● State champ Matteson pinned Brian Silcott of Fox Lane at 5:06, then added a 9-3 victory over Brent Poirier of Massena-10 for his 100th career victory, later in the evening.

● Liverpool's Green flattened his first opponent in dominating fashion. The Syracuse University-bound gridder put away Todd Hall of Oxford-4 at 5:34, then won by disqualification over Robert Johnson of Cassadaga Valley-6 because of stalling by Johnson.

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CNY Wrestlers

Trail at State Meet

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Joining that trio of Section Three winners were three more Central New York survivors, Dave Gleeson of Canastota at 91 pounds, Mark Virkler of Beaver River at 112 and Ron LaBeef of Fulton at 126.

● Junior Gleeson decisioned sophomore Matt Brown of Herman-DeKalb, 10-2, in first-round action before pinning soph John Canty at 4:26 of his next match.

● Beaver River's Virkler, earning his 103rd and 104th career wins, pulled the biggest shocker of Friday's two rounds when he beat 1981 state 98-pound champion Brad Penrith of Windsor, 11-7, in an opening-round upset. Virkler then added a 9-3 victory over Mike Prenoveau of Peru-7 to reach the semis.

● Fulton's LaBeef rolled into the semis with a 1:56 pin of Andy Johnson of Canton-10 followed by an 11-8 decision over Pete Yozzo of Sayville-11.

Section Three's only first-round loser was sophomore 98-pounder Merle Zehr of Copenhagen, a 14-9 victim of state meet veteran Adam Erno of Mechanicville-2. Erno placed fifth at 91 pounds here last year.

CNY's second-round casualties included defending state 91-pound champion John Pauley of New Hartford. Pauley, bothered all week by slightly pulled muscles in both shoulders, dropped a 5-2 verdict to Anthony Bellai of Schenectady Mont Pleasant-2 in his second match.

Others who suffered setbacks were Keith Crowningshield (119) of Central Square, Section Three "Most Outstanding Wrestler" Dave Recor (132) of Watertown, junior

Brian Akley (138) of Oswego, junior Mike Narewski (145) of Fulton, Tim Jantzi (155) of Lowville and husky Rick George (250) of Liverpool.

Crowningshield's loss was no disgrace, as he was pinned at 3:14 of his second match by a veritable buzzsaw, Bill Starke of Sachem-11. Starke, a USA junior Greco-Roman champion last summer, is among the tournament's finest individual wrestlers and is heavily favored at 119.

Other standouts included two-time New York state champ Al Palacio of Long Beach-8. Bidding to match the feat of former three-time state kings Dan Hunt of West Genesee-3, Mark Iacovelli of Ithaca-4 and Bob Bury of Calhoun-8, Palacio has reached the semifinals at 112.

Of five defending state champs, Palacio, Matteson and 145-pound Jon Cardi (Burnt Hills-2) are the only survivors. Cardi, boasting 56 straight wins over two winter campaigns, achieved No. 57 and 58 Friday. He pinned Mike Metruck of Massena at 3:13, then had a closer call against Dave Welker of Somers-1, winning by 8-5.

The race for team honors saw highly-regarded Section Two (Albany-Schenectady area) seize first place, with 89 points and nine semifinalists (see summary, Page B-2). Never before has Section Two captured team laurels here, but with seven members of last year's sectional team returning, that drought may end. Current runnerup is Section Eight (Nassau County, L.I.) with 87.5 points and 10 qualifiers for the semifinals. Eight has won more team titles (nine) than any other section at past state meets.

State Wrestling Results

NEW YORK STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT TEAM SCORING

NOTE--Team scoring includes all Friday matches, two rounds plus wrestlebacks.

Section Two 89 (9 semifinalists), Section Eight 87.5 (10 semifinalists), Section Three 72.5 (6); Section Five 69 (4); Section Eleven 54 (5); Section Six 53 (4); Section Nine 43 (4); Section Four 32 (3); Section One 35 (3); Section Seven 28 (3); Section Ten 10 (1); CHSAA 9 (zero); PSAL 6 (zero).

N.Y.S. STATE WRESTLING SEMIFINAL MATCHES

Semifinals begin at 11 a.m. today, War Memorial:

91--Gleeson (Canastota-3) vs. Bridenstein (Orchard Park-6), Hibbard (Canandaigua-5) vs. Condamine (Waverly-4), 98--Consiglio (North Rockland-9) vs. Lake (Long Beach-8).

105--Hollamby (Peru-7) vs. Bellai (Mont Pleasant-2); Siegfried (Seneca Falls Mynderse-5) vs. Pannariello (Bay Shore-11), 112--Virkler (Beaver River-3) vs. Clark (Voorheesville-2); King (Canandaigua-5) vs. Palacio (Long Beach-8).

119--Arena (Mepham-8) vs. Wilsey (Saratoga-2), Bauer (Gates Chili-5) vs. Starke (Sachem-11), 126--Doherty (Berner-8) vs. Ferrante (New Paltz-9) Sullivan (Bronxville-1) vs. LaBeef (Fulton-3).

132--Valentin (Long Beach-8) vs. Kane (Penfield-5); Simmons (Waverly-4) vs. Placek (Niskayuna-2); 138--Lisi (Fox Lane-1) vs. Lanham (Lindenhurst-11); Zuccherro (Calhoun-8) vs. Fischbein (Monroe-Woodbury-9), 145--Sola (Lynbrook-8) vs. Cardi (Burnt Hills-2); Dabolt (Pioneer-6) vs. White (Canandaigua-5), 155--Arpley (Saratoga-2) vs. Ashline (Peru-7); Leonard (Long Beach-8) vs. Pidel (New Paltz-9).

167--Maro (Sachem-11) vs. Hoffman (Pioneer-6); Rogers (Fulton-3) vs. Rosa (Rush-Henrietta Sperry-5), 177--Mabb (Ballston Spa-2) vs. J. Matteson (Oswego-3); Rountree (Cardinal Mooney-5) vs. Belchner (Cassadaga Valley-6).

215--Cox (Freeport-8) vs. Green (Liverpool-3); Patnode (Massena-10) vs. Sabo (Granville-2), 250--Whelan (Massapequa-8) vs. Keith (Elmira SS-4), L'Heureux (Peru-7) vs. Vetsch (Saratoga-2).

SECTION THREE RESULTS FIRST ROUND

91--Dave Gleeson (Canastota) dec. Brown (Herman-DeKalb-10), 10-2; 98--Erno (Mechanicville-2) dec. Merle Zehr (Copenhagen), 14-9; 105--John Pauley (New Hartford) dec. Mott (Monroe-Woodbury-9) 0-0, 2-1, overtime; 112--Mark Virkler (Beaver River) dec. Penrith (Windsor-4) 11-7; 119--Keith Crowningshield (Central Square) dec. Oddo (Somers

JFK-1), 9-6; 126--Ron LaBeef (Fulton) pinned Johnson (Canton-10), 1:56;

132--Dave Recor (Watertown) pinned Rogers (Pioneer-6), 5:42; 138--Brian Akley (Oswego) pinned Wood (Holy Family-CHSAA), 3:54; 145--Mike Narewski (Fulton) dec. Ingersoll (Goshen-9) 9-7; 155--Tim Jantzi (Lowville) dec. Caldara (Ardsley-1) 7-2;

167--Lelan Rogers (Fulton) pinned Ashline (Peru-7), 4:41; 177--Jim Matteson (Oswego) pinned Silcott (Fox Lane-1), 5:06; 215--Tim Green (Liverpool) won by disqualification over Hall (Oxford-4); 250--Rick George (Liverpool) bye.

SECTION THREE RESULTS SECOND ROUND

91--Gleeson pinned Canty (Suffern-9), 4:26; 105--Bellai (Mont Pleasant-2) dec. Pauley, 5-2; 112--Virkler dec. Prenoveau (Peru-7) 9-3; 119--Starke (Sachem-11) pinned Crowningshield, 3:14; 126--LaBeef dec. Yozzo (Sayville-11) 11-8;

132--Placek (Niskayuna-2) dec. Recor, 18-7; 138--Fischbein (Monroe-Woodbury-9) dec. Akley, 12-2; 145--White (Canandaigua-5) dec. Narewski, 8-6; 155--Pidel (New Paltz-9) dec. Jantzi, 15-6;

167--Rogers pinned Conklin (Canton-10), 2:56; 177--Matteson dec. Poirier (Massena-10) 9-3; 215--Green pinned Johnson (Cassadaga Valley-6), 5:15; 250--Whelan (Massapequa-8) dec. George, 4-3.

County wrestlers gird for intersectionals

By TOM STARNER
Fulton

With six of 14 berths on the Section Three team under their control, Oswego County wrestlers should be a key factor in this weekend's Intersectional mat tournament at the Syracuse War Memorial.

Fulton, an easy winner of the Section Three team crown last Saturday (144½ points), leads the way with three wrestlers — Ron LaBeef, Mike Narewski and Lelan Rogers — representing Section Three.

Oswego shocked many with its second-place team finish (80½ points), and unbeaten Brian Akley (138) and once-beaten defending state champ Jim Matteson (177) were the main men for coach Elmer Akley by winning titles.

Central Square's Keith Crowningshield breezed through the 119-pound weight class to become the first Central Square wrestler to win a sectional title in 20 years.

Of all those winners, only LaBeef and Crowningshield weren't seeded first.

"Ron really out-classed everybody at 126," says Red Raider coach Wayne Bleau, selected as the Section Three head coach for this weekend's state meet. "That's the kind of kid who doesn't have as much talent as a lot of the other

kids, but he worked particularly hard all season to win. I've got kids who have more talent, and if they worked as hard as Ron they'd be state champs."

Sweet revenge for LaBeef

LaBeef, who dropped down to 126 for the first time last week at the Class A meet, blanked Watertown's Mike Percy 8-0 in the finals. But perhaps it was his pin of Whiteboro's Paul Evans in the semifinals that was more satisfying. At the Class A meet, Evans trimmed LaBeef, 5-4, for the 126 title. So revenge was sweet.

Crowningshield, seeded second, expected to tangle with top-seeded Sam Giufre of Canastota, a defending sectional champ, in the finals, but a rusty Giufre (out over a month due to an ankle injury) never got past the semifinals, where he lost 6-5 to Saquoit Valley's Rick Williamson. Crowningshield made short work of Williamson in the finals with a 12-2 rout.

"Well, I guess I expected to wrestle Giufre," Crowningshield said of his easy trip through the 119-pound class. "Maybe him losing made things a little easier."

About his debut in the spotlight, Crowningshield said, "It's a real different feeling, I guess I'm really not used to it yet. Th only bad

thing about it is another week of wrestling practice."

Bothered by flu

Crowningshield, a senior, had the flu during the week, but he did manage to work out with the Fulton team on Wednesday.

"The flu bothered me a bit," he said. "In the first few matches, I thought I wasn't going to make it. But I think I eventually sweat it out."

The toughest bout of the day for Crowningshield came in the opening round, when he trimmed Liverpool's Chuck Adams, 4-1.

"I wrestled him three times before (all wins) and pinned him the last two, he really came at me," Crowningshield said. "I was worried a little about wrestling someone four times, especially because for me, the first match at a tournament is like a warm-up match."

Tough foursome

Narewski, Rogers, Akley and Matteson all went into Saturday as top seeds. None disappointed.

After drawing a first-round bye, Narewski was awesome as he pinned his next three opponents, including Baldwinsville's Pat Conners in the finals at the 2:30 mark.

Rogers, probably with Matteson the best Oswego County wrestler having a chance at a state crown, rolled over his four opponents at 167, pinning Oswego's Phil Germain in the finals. In both the semifinals and the quarterfinals, Rogers seemed to be in momentary trouble against his opponents when a slight mistake had Rogers on the defensive with his back to the mat. But before most fans could murmur "look at that," Rogers had turned his "misfortune" into a pinning combination.

Akley undefeated

"A lot of it is balance," Bleau says. "Lelan has tremendous balance, and it might look like only strength. It's not something you can always see, but his balance is uncanny."

Matteson, whose only loss this season came to Rogers in a dual meet, was equally as awesome as Narewski and Rogers, rolling to two falls and a 15-5 decision.

Akley, son of Buc coach Elmer Akley, may not get as much notoriety as Narewski, Rogers or Matteson, but he got as many wins on Saturday and now stands 29-0 on the season.

In the finals, Akley came away with a hard-earned 6-1 win over second-seeded Rick Spaulding of Watertown. In the semifinals, the Buc senior, who owns a 91-22-1 career mark, trimmed Jordan-Elbridge's Joe Darling, another extremely tough wrestler, by a 5-2 count.

Intersectionals ahead

With those six, the Section Three team could be in the race for the Intersectional title.

"The big thing is to get everybody together as a team," Bleau says. "We have to make the kids

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Central Square's Keith Crowningshield controls his opponent the way he controlled the 119-pound weight class — very easily.

SPORTS LOG

GIRLS BASKETBALL STANDINGS

OSGL North

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B-Ville	8
ES-Minor	8
MS-Otero	7
F-W	5
Conford	3
Lipool	3
J-D	3
Fulton	3
W. Genesee	2
Can. Schenck	1
Oswego	1

OSGL Central

	W
Skaneateles	14
Bishop Grimes	10
Pomeroy	10
Watkins	8
Marcotte	8
Jordan-Elbridge	5
Solvay	3
Mexico	1
Phoenix	0

OSGL South-A

	W
Tully	10
OCS	8
W. Genesee	5
E. Genesee	3
W. Genesee	2

Div. B

	W	L
Hannibal	9	2
Port Byron	6	4
Pulaski	5	5
A-P-W	3	7
Cato-Mer	5	5
Cunningham	0	10

BOWLING STANDINGS OSGL

	W	L
ES-Minor	21	7
Liverpool	20	8
Fulton	17	11
MS-Otero	15	13
Solvay	14	14
C-W	14	14
J-D	5	22
Watkins	5	22

County wrestlers

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realize that they are the ones the pee wee wrestlers are looking up to now. Now they're the big guys, so they have to forget all the seasonal rivalries and encourage each other as a team."

Fulton also had 98-pounder Mark Caza and 105-pounder Wally Cummins reach the finals only to lose, Caza dropping a 6-2 decision to top-seeded Merle Zehr of Copenhagen, and Cummins losing a 4-2 squeaker to defending state champ John Pauley of New Hartford.

For Oswego, 167-pounder Phil Germain and 250-pounder Jim Downs lost in the finals, to Fulton's Rogers and Liverpool's Rick George respectively, both via falls.

Some disappointments by Fulton

Fulton, despite all its success, had some disappointing moments,

too.

Prime among them was top-seeded Kevin Davis' opening-round loss to 16th-seeded Doug Lowe of Sauquoit Valley at 155 pounds.

"War Memorial fever is what I call it," Bleau says. "It's just the pressure of coming in here. Kevin is a very good wrestler, but he wrestled poorly and Lowe deserved to win. That happens."

Also, Fulton 91-pounder Don LaBeef held a precarious one-point lead in regulation against nemesis Kevin Johnson of B'ville before a penalty point in the final seconds sent the match into overtime. In OT, the younger LaBeef got caught in a Johnson cradle with three seconds left in the first period to drop a hard luck semifinal decision. Johnson then lost 7-0 in the finals to top seed Dave Gleeson of Canastota.

SECTION 3 PAIRINGS

N.Y.S. INTERSECTIONAL MEET

91--Dave Gleeson (Canastota) 34-1 vs. Matt Brown (Hermon-Dekalb-10); winner vs. John Canty (Suffern-2) 23-1.

98--Merle Zehr (Copenhagen) 25-1 vs. Adam Erno (Mechanicville-2) 26-2; winner vs. Jeff Elliott (Poughkeepsie Arlington-1) 29-4.

105--John Pauley (New Hartford) 29-2 vs. Dave Mott (Monroe-Woodbury-9) 33-0; winner vs. Anthony Bellai (Mont Pleasant-2) 28-1.

112--Mark Virkler (Beaver River) 29-1 vs. Brad Penrith (Windsor-4) 30-0; winner vs. Mike Prenoveau (Peru-7) 27-0.

119--Keith Crowningshield (Central Square) 33-3 vs. Dom Oddo (Somers JF Kennedy-1) 33-2; winner vs. either Jeff Keys (Port Jervis-9) 23-1-1 or Bill Starke (Sachem-11) 22-0-1.

126--Ron LaBeef (Fulton) 24-2 vs. Andy Johnson (Canton-10) 21-1; winner vs. either Pete Yozzo (Sayville-11) 29-0 or Calvin Swanson (Newfane-6) 30-1.

132--Dave Recor (Watertown) 29-1 vs. Darryl Rogers (Pioneer-6) 35-1; winner vs. either John Placek (Niskayuna-2) 33-0 or Steve Antico (DeWitt Clinton-PSAL) 15-1.

138--Brian Akley (Oswego) (29-0) vs. John Wood (Holy Family-CHSAA) 22-1; winner vs. either Dave Hixson (Cheektowaga-6) 34-0 or Gary Fischbein (Monroe-Woodbury-9) 33-0.

145--Mike Narewski (Fulton) (27-1-1) vs. Lee Ingersoll (Goshen-9) 22-10; winner vs. either Morris White (Canandaigua-5) 27-4 or Mark Wagner (Chaminade-CHSAA) 22-6-1.

155--Tim Jantzi (Lowville) 29-3 vs. B.J. Caldara (Ardsley-1) 32-2; winner vs. Pat Zito (Lancaster-6) 28-3 or Marty Pidel (New Paltz-9) 22-1.

167--Lelan Rogers (Fulton) 28-0 vs. Gene Ashline (Peru-7) 18-7; winner vs. Joe Conklin (Canton-10) 21-1.

177--Jim Matteson (Oswego) 30-1 vs. Brian Silcott (Fox Lane-1) 30-1-1; winner vs. Brent Poirier (Massena-10) 25-1.

215--Tim Green (Liverpool) 30-0 vs. Todd Hall (Oxford-4) 34-2; winner vs. Bob Johnson (Cassadaga Valley-6) 30-0.

250--Rick George (Liverpool) 19-1 bye; vs. winner of Michael Johnson (Truman-PSAL) 10-2 vs. Steve Whelan (Massapequa-8) 22-0.