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Grand Rapids, July 6.—Three Iowa amateur wrestlers won National A. A. U. championships and assured themselves places on the American Olympic mat team here tonight. They are Gordon Rosenberg, Iowa Falls High school boy, in the 112-pound class; Allie Morrison of Marshalltown, University of Illinois star, who won the 134½-pound title for the third successive year, and Lloyd Appleton of Cornell college in the 158-pound class.

Rosenberg was the first of the Iowans to win a national title and a certain place on the American Olympic team when he defeated Paul Y. Kirmura, Hawaiian entry from the University of Michigan, by judges decision. Both men were cautious in the early moments but once the 17-year-old Iowa Falls High school lad had his opponent sized up he became aggressive, went behind and won by a safe margin. It was a rather tame match. Rosenberg displaced another Iowan, Leroy Pfeffer, formerly of the University of Iowa, who did not defend his title as national 112-pound champion.

Lupton Is Overcome.

Ralph Lupton failed in his attempt to gain the national 125-pound championship, a title held by Arthur L. Holding of Ames, who did not defend his honors but moved up into a heavier class this year. Lupton was defeated by Robert Hewitt of the University of Michigan, whom the former has beaten twice this season in university matches.

Hewitt gained the decision. Lupton apparently was weary from the grind of three days wrestling and did not look like himself. Hewitt twice went behind while Lupton never was able to get the advantage.

Allie Morrison retained the 135-pound title which he has held for two successive years prior to this year, when he defeated Blair Thomas of Cresco, Ia., a University of Michigan athlete, by decision in extra periods.

The bout was dull and uninteresting due to the caution of the two rivals. Neither was able to get behind in the regulation twelve minutes. Morrison had much the better of the going in the extra periods, arising at once when Thomas had been placed behind and retaining his advantage almost to the end of the other added period.

Prunty Loses to Champ.

Clarence Berryman of the Oklahoma Aggies, the national collegiate 145-pound champion, not only added the National A. A. U. title at the weight to his list but also dethroned an Iowan, Ralph Prunty of Bondurant, former Iowa State college star, in doing it. Berryman was too strong and versatile and had too much stamina for the former Ames athlete.

The Oklahoman twice went behind Prunty, remaining there once for two minutes before he was put to his feet by the referee. It was an interesting contest and undoubtedly brought the two best wrestlers of the weight together.

Lloyd Appleton of Cornell college had a hard tussle with Clarence Giles, former Illinois star entered from the Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A., before gaining the 158 pound honors.

Giles is a versatile athlete but Appleton was too strong for him and easily proved his mastery, although Giles put up such an interesting struggle that the spectators were in an uproar.

Edwards Wins Thriller.

Ralph Hammonds, Texas university pole vaulter as well as wrestler, a former National A. A. champion, won the 175-pound national honors by defeating Glen D. Stafford of Cornell university in a sensational match. Hammonds was too versatile and all his rival could do was give him an interesting battle. George Rule of the Oklahoma Aggies, last year's champion at the weight, did not defend his title because of an injury.

It remained for Ensign H. L. Edwards of the United States Naval academy, Grand Rapids, and Daniel J. Whitacre of Ohio State university to put on a match that equalled or surpassed the Berryman-Prunty clash of the early evening in thrills if not in scientific wrestling. The men exchanged positions with the frequency of professional barnstormers and were on even terms when the regulation bout ended. Whitacre, however, piled up a big lead in the two extra periods, but Ed-

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wards caught him off guard and pinned him in 2 minutes 46 seconds of the second extra period. The ensign succeeds Charles W. Strack of the Oklahoma Aggies as champion, the latter having been beaten in the semifinals in the afternoon by Edwards.

Ed George, a University of Michigan wrestler, entered from the Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A., dethroned Roger Flanders of Stillwater, Okla., as heavyweight champion, gaining a decision in two overtime periods.

Six Iowans reached the finals by virtue of seminal victories in the afternoon. Iowans gained more places in the finals than athletes from any other state, not excepting Oklahoma, but the University of Michigan showed the way for the schools and universities which made entries by landing four wrestlers in the last matches for the national individual championships.

Gordon Rosenberg, Iowa Falls High school boy in the 112-pound class; Ralph Lupton of Toledo, Ia., former Cornell college star, now wrestling under the colors of Northwestern university in the 123 1/2 pounds class; Allie Morrison of Marshalltown, Illinois university star in the 134-pound division, who has held the national title at this weight for the last two years; Blair Thomas of Cresco, Michigan university lightweight, also in the 134-pound class; Ralph Prunty of Bondurant, Ia., former Ames star in the 145-pound class, and Lloyd Appleton, Cornell college athlete in the 158-pound section were the Iowans who came through with semifinal victories in matches that were a severe test for the athletes and which brought out many hard vicious contests.

Sun Bothers Athletes.

The semifinal matches were held under a hot sun which sapped the strength of the athletes, who with the exception of the heavyweights, have been forced to make weight for three successive days. Many of the matches were a test of the game-ness on the part of the contestants as much as a trial of endurance and wrestling ability.

There were several surprises, including the defeat of Charles Strack, former Oklahoma Aggies star and champion in the 189 8-10 pound division, by Ensign H. L. Edwards of the United States Naval academy; the defeat of Harry D. Steel, former Ohio State university star, who won the Olympic heavyweight title four years ago, by Ed George of the University of Michigan; and the defeat of Kaare Krogh of Chicago university by Glen D. Stafford of Cornell university in the 174 1/2-pound class.

Appleton reached the final in the 158-pound class by gaining a well earned decision over Erwin Forbes of the Los Angeles Athletic club, a versatile youngster, who appeared in several meets in Iowa while wrestling for Lincoln, Neb., High school a few years ago.

Appleton Too Strong.

Appleton was too strong and experienced the youngster, Clarence Geis, former University of Illinois star, wrestling under the colors of the Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A. defeated Frank H. Bryan of the Multnomah Athletic club in the other half of the bracket after a hard and exciting tussle in which the fortunes of the contestants wavered with lightning rapidity.

Ralph Hammonds of the University of Texas, who has been training under Dick Barker at Cornell college for several weeks, gained the final in the 174 1/2 pound class with a rather easy victory over Albert Cornsweet of Brown university.

Glen D. Stafford of Cornell university won at the same weight. Ensign H. L. Edwards of the United States Naval academy and Daniel J. Whitacre of Ohio State reached the final in the 191 8-10 division, and Ed George of the University of Michigan and Roger Flanders of Stillwater, Okla., reached the final in the heavyweight class.

Morford Forced Out.

Gordon Rosenberg of Iowa Falls, Ia., High school, won his semifinal match today, his first contest of the tournament, in a surprising finish in the second of two overtime periods, when he obtained a barlock and half Nelson to pin the veteran, Robert

Rowsey of Gary, Ind., Y. M. C. A. The fall came forty seconds after the second-overtime period had started. In the first nine minute period, Rowsey went behind but the Iowan regained his feet and was awarded the points for aggressiveness that forced a draw and extra periods.

Rosenberg outlasted Rowsey, who won the national title at the weight in 1920 and who is said to have competed in every national meet since. The youngster had a big margin in the extra periods before he gained the fall.

In the other 112-pound semifinal, Paul Y. Kirmura of the University of Michigan, a Japanese native of Hawaii, gained a decision over Lyle R. Shader of Michigan State college.

Lyle Morford of Clarion, Ia., did not reach the semifinals in this weight as reported yesterday. He lacked one pound of making the required weight and wore himself out trying unsuccessfully to take the extra flesh off, finally being forced to withdraw.

Reed Gains Early Lead.

Lupton met a tough opponent in James J. Reed of the Bethlehem, Pa., Athletic club, in the 134 1/2-pound class, but won eventually through better condition and better headwork. Reed gained an early lead and more than held his own till six minutes had been consumed. But he was tired in the last three and Lupton went behind several times, usually allowing his rival to get free. Thus, the Iowan scored 5 points each time to his rivals' 3. One judge scored 23 to 11 in favor of Lupton and the other 23 to 13 in his favor.

Robert Hewitt of the University of Michigan outwrestled Cecil Paxson of the University of Kansas and won a decision in the other half of the bracket. Allie Morrison gained a narrow decision over Alfred Watson of the University of Michigan to gain the final round in the 134 1/2 pound class.

The Iowan gained his advantage late in the bout after several minutes of inactivity due to the caution of both wrestlers, Blair Thomas, also of the University of Michigan and also an Iowan, gained a close decision in the other half over John A. Sareckson of Baltimore, Md., Y. M. C. A. Thomas scored five points to his rival's none by going behind once and remaining there until ordered to his feet by the referee.

Goes Underneath.

Ralph Prunty, former Cyclone, was too smart and clever for William Culp, University of Illinois freshman, in the overtime periods and gained a clear cut decision, after they battled on even terms in the regulation period, due largely to the conservatism of both men.

Prunty went underneath in the first extra period but soon arose and later went behind Culp. The latter was unable to get up until near the end of the second extra period.

Clarence Berryman of Oklahoma Aggies gained the final in the weight by outwrestling Ben F. Sherman, star of the Multnomah Athletic club, Portland, Ore., in a fine bout. Sherman was good but Berryman was more than he could handle.

Final Results

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Schwartz-Grande Bout Halted Till Next Week

New York, July 6 (AP)—The scheduled twelve round bout between Izzy Schwartz, recognized in New York as flyweight champion, and Frio Grande of Philadelphia, scheduled in the Rockaway Long Island stadium tonight, was postponed until next Friday because of rain.

BOONEVILLE BLANKS EARLHAM. Booneville, Ia., July 6 (Special)—Booneville shut out Earlham, 6 to 0.