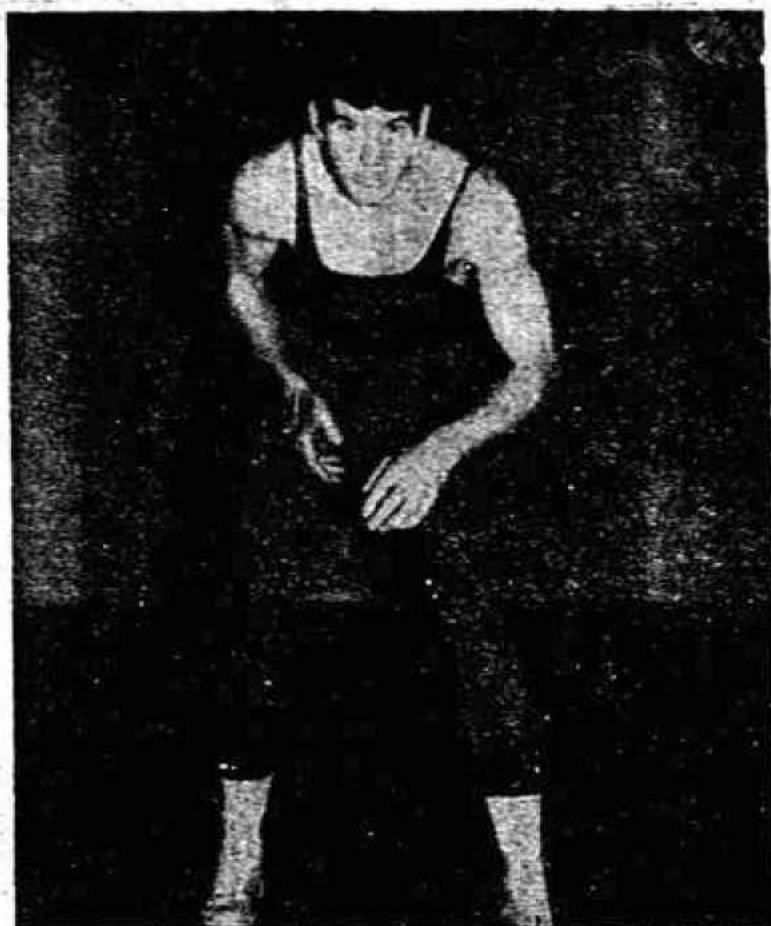




Masterson Takes Section Mat Title

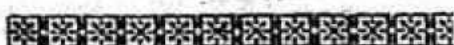


KEVIN MASTERSON

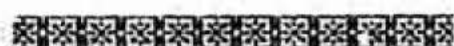
Three Livonia wrestlers competed in the Section V tournament on Saturday at Brockport State University. For all the hundreds of boys who compete in wrestling from this upstate area, a Section V title is the individual wrestler's major goal. Although hundreds of boys are wrestling for this title, only 13 achieve it. A wrestler must win the county championship and then wrestle the champions of Monroe County just to get into the tournament.

The large turnout of Livonia fans who cheered the success of Tony Backus and John Durkee for their classy show in the tournament was thrilled as Kevin Masterson won the coveted 165 lb. Class B Section V title. Last year Kevin was defeated in the quarterfinals by the Monroe County champion, but this year, fighting an uphill battle all the way, he won the crown with superb, aggressive wrestling.

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Lenten Sermonette



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Lent is the season of forty fasting Sundays. The word "Lenten," meaning spring. It is a period observed in the church from these days for deepening the Christian is better prepared to enter which are particularly recalled into the joyous triumph of Easter. It has been a period used by those desiring baptism or conversion. These two stanzas from George Herbert cate the mood, usage, and history.

'Tis true, we cannot
Yet to go part of
Is better than
We cannot reach

... Wrestling

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Class "B" tournament Kevin pinned a strong Bill Mallabar of Nunda in the semifinals. This set the stage for the "big battle" of the tournament. Richie Roth of Caledonia, undefeated, who had pinned Kevin in an earlier meeting, was his opponent in the finals. In a match that kept the fans on their feet, the Livonian defeated a fighting Roth, 2-0.

In the quarterfinals of Section V, Kevin quickly brought an end to Monroe County's champion's hopes by pinning him early in the second period. With the same confident, aggressive wrestling, he disposed of Jim Woodruff, the Allegheny-Steuben champion, in the semifinals.

Kevin's opponent in the finals was Willie Howell of Lyndonville, who finished second in last year's sectionals and was unbeaten this year. Although Howell wrestled a hard aggressive match, a determin-

ed Masterson held off his bid and defeated him 2-0.

Tony Backus, who has been undefeated in two years of dual meet competition, finished second in Class B and fourth in Section V. Tony, a two time county champion, has lost only three matches out of his last 43 and holds the Livonia record of consecutive wins. In the semifinals, Saturday, he defeated the champion of Allegheny and Steuben counties which is made up of 18 schools. In the finals, Tony met Gene Sheldon of Victor, who has been sectional champion for the past two years. In a match that could have gone either way, he was defeated 2-0. Tony, only a junior, will be back next year to win the crown.

John Durkee finished eighth in the heavyweight class. John, who has been a mainstay of the Livonia wrestlers, was handicapped by a severe sprained ankle. John won the county title in Class "B" and defeated the Monroe County champion.