



Varsity Wrestling



REVIEW OF THE SEASON

WITH but two lettermen returning for the 1930-1931 campaign, prospects for a good wrestling team looked weak. Pre-season training under the tutelage of Coach McLane developed green material into a formidable machine which won a good share of its meets as the season progressed.

Opening the campaign with Mansfield Normal in the local gymnasium, the Purple grapplers gave evidence of a strong outfit when they swamped their opponents by a score of $30\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$, Mansfield's only score coming as the result of a draw in an extra period bout in which the Mansfield coach wrestled Grantier. The locals lacked the finesse and experience characterized by former Alfred mat aggregations, but made up for this deficiency in speed and power.

Rochester Mechanics, traditional rivals, were the next opponents, and the Flower City outfit won its seventh straight victory over the Saxons when they scored a 21-13 victory on three falls and two time decisions. The Rochester aggregation took every advantage of the local's inexperience and lack of team balance in chalking up their win. The following night the Purple routed a highly touted Colgate team by the decisive score of 25-5. The Purple went through the first seven bouts without losing a point only to have Lockwood in the unlimited class succumb to a heavier and more experienced opponent. Captain Flint won his bout with his third straight fall of the season.

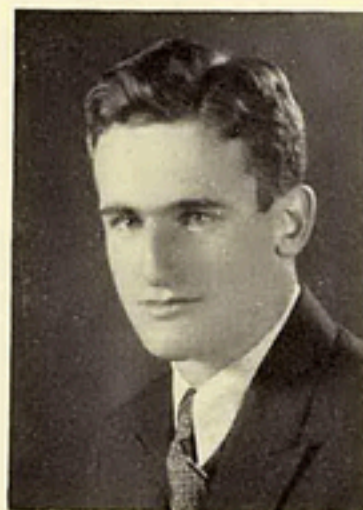
Back on their home mat, the Saxons rolled up another impressive score when they tumbled the grapplers from the Ithaca School of Physical Education around for a $22\frac{1}{2}$ - $7\frac{1}{2}$ victory. Grantier wrestled his third draw of the season and Flint extended his number of points to twenty when he was awarded five points on a forfeit.



FREDERICK CHUBB
Manager



COACH McLANE



THEODORE FLINT
Captain

Coach McLane's proteges extended their string of victories in a close and hard-fought meet with East Stroudsburg State Teachers' College in the local gym, winning the meet by virtue of a fall in the last bout by the score of 17-13. The outcome of the meet was in doubt until the last bout of the evening when Captain Flint won his fifth straight fall of the season to put his teammates on the long end of the score. It was the first time that Flint's opponent, the Stroudsburg captain, had met defeat as the result of a pin hold.

A trip to New York City resulted in a break of the Purple's string of victories when C. C. N. Y. and Brooklyn Poly took the local's measure in one-sided matches. The Metropolitan teams had little difficulty with their opponents, displaying unexpected strength and superior knowledge of the mat game. Captain Flint tasted defeat for the first time when he was thrown at C. C. N. Y., but regained his prestige by throwing his man the following night in less than five minutes.

Michigan State, conqueror of Michigan, Purdue, Syracuse, and Mechanics, showed the local aggregation how wrestling should be done when they walked away on the long end of a 28-5 score. The Purple went far out of their class in this meet but gained valuable experience.

In a return meet with Rochester Mechanics, the Flower City grapplers again proved their superiority by trouncing the locals in the last meet of the season by a score of 23-11. Captain Flint terminated a colorful career by throwing his man but ten seconds before the final whistle.

Ghetto a Freshman, showed great promise of future ability by winning the majority of his matches throughout the season in the 118-pound class. Vezzoli, in the 128-pound class, wrestled consistently and should develop into a star next season. Warde, in the 135-pound class, gained valuable experience which will undoubtedly serve him in good stead in the next campaign. The 145-pound class proved to be the hard luck class of the outfit. Davison and Felli both received injuries which kept them out of several meets. Rothstein finished the season in this class. Grantier drew plenty of trouble in the 155-pound class and fought through four matches to a draw. Graham, an inexperienced man and a newcomer to the squad in the 165-pound event, appeared to be a natural born wrestler and lacked merely the finesse of the veteran. Captain Flint, in the 175-pound class, was the outstanding man on the team and led his teammates in individual scoring by a large margin. Lockwood, wrestling unlimited, bumped up against some tough opposition in his first season as a grappler. With Ghetto, Benza, Vezzoli, Warde, Captain-elect Felli, Davison, Grantier, Graham, and Lockwood all returning for another campaign, the prospects for next year's wrestling team look bright.