

Bomber Matmen Nab 200th Win

Count from one to 200, and it will take 16 years--that is if you are Coach Don Quinn of the East Rochester High School wrestling team.

That's what happened at exactly 10 p.m. last Saturday as about 700 mat fans sat in the local stands watching the village school team register the 200th victory for the popular coach.

He came to East Rochester in 1958 from the little downstate community of Bath. Quinn went on to add his niche to the formidable record of Bomber athletic teams.

When the local matmen had obliterated Rochester's

East High wrestling club by an easy 35-18 tally, it called for a mild celebration. Out came a cardboard sign that clearly stated, "Win No. 200." It was signed by the members of the team from 98-pounder Jeff Kier to heavyweight Phil Pizzigrilli.

Quinn, who has had a tremendous coaching record for football as well as wrestling, watched the antics of his crew from the sidelines. He achieved his finest moment when the victory over East became assured before the 12-match card had reached the middle area.

The only time the Bombers fell behind was in the

opening scrap when Kier was eeked out by Mark Hendrix of the rival club, 3-2, and when Chuck Prong, at 115, lost a decision of 18-4 to Leonard Barber.

The locals moved into the lead after 108-pounder Mark Morabito flattened Terry Roe in 3:35.

Prong's loss was more than evened by ER's gifted Chris Bourne who continue to polish his record in dual meets by pinning Felton Coley in 1:49 in the 122-pound tilt.

Quinn's son, Don, followed with a 6 point pin in the 129 division, working 3:53 to knock off Jim Rinaldi.

Gary Parrotta worked his way into the win column when he showed he was better than Kevin Lighthouse in the 135 pound class, tabbing the 135 pound verdict.

When 141-pounder Robert Steinruck downed Al Barber, 7-4, the match was in the bag for the Bombers. Gilt-edged Ron Ricotta, ER's second undefeated dual meet matman, won a bruising battle over Gary D'Amico. It often seemed as though it was going to be a rough-house melee. D'Amico was finally disqualified in the 148-pound battle with 1:03 to go in the final period with Ricotta in the lead, 11-4.

It was 9:30 p.m. on the clock when Pat "Skip" Farchione was on the mats in the 158 test.

After 6 minutes of grunting, Farchione had netted a 6-4 nod. That made the score, ER 30; East High 7.

Brian Chaney lost the 170-pound test to Peter Evans, 4-3. Despite the sideline pleas of his mother, Mrs. James (AnneMarie) Brien, Bomber Andy Brien was only able to end his match against James Kettles with a 4-4 tie.

The action ended with Pizzigrilli getting pinned by East High's Tom Kennard in 1:23.

Coach Quinn, who has compiled an enviable football coaching record of 91 victories, 36 losses and 3 ties since the 1959 season, saw his mat record streak to 200 victories, 22 losses, and 3 ties. No area coach is near the mark.

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His club won its 198th mat verdict against Brighton last Thursday afternoon. The Bombers crushed the 12-corners school, 31-12, in a Monroe County East Division scrap. In match results, Kier was a 3-2 winner over Scott Lewis; Morabito raced by Bruce Billwood, 7-0; Prong lost to John Trompeter by a thin margin, 7-6; Bourne pinned Garry Baron in 4:55; Quinn shut out Terry Murphy, 7-0; and Brighton's Erig Gager got the Barons on the score board with a 7-0 nod over Rick Molica.

Steinruck rolled past Kevin Pink, 10-3; Ricotta crumbled Larry Hartman for a superior 22-3 decision; Farchione wilted Kelly Randall, 9-2; Chaney tipped Tim Randall,

7-3; Brien was 7-3 better than Tom Mulhern; and Pizzigrilli succumbed to a pin at the 3:12 mark to Tony Clark.

In the ER match, Saturday Feb. 1, with Irondequoit in the first scrap on the local twin action, the Bombers worked hard to get by Irondequoit, 39-21. It was a County East engagement.

In results, Kier lost to Billy Olesiuk, 5-0; Morabito took a 14-6 argument over Jimmy Lehman; Prong dripped a pin at the 4:45 time to Tony Olwen; Bourne pinned Jerry Fisher at the 1:55 point.

Quinn was a pin winner when the clock showed 1:45 in his match against Ned Owen; Parrotta was a 12-2 loser to John Heinman; Steinruck had to be content with a 1-1 tie against Steve Olesiuk; Ricotta flattened John Etter by a pin in 1:13; Farchione also scored a pin in 3:10 over Sean Murphy; Chaney was a superior, 14-2 victor over Jim Schick; Brien won by a pin at the 2:15 mark over Don Brayer; and Tim Saunders lost by a pin to George Pochelski at the 2:37 time ending the matches.