

National Collegiate Athletic Association Third Annual Championships

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The third annual wrestling championships of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, held at the Pennsylvania State College, March 28 and 29, 1930, drew the most representative list of wrestlers that has entered in any of the tournaments to date. There were 29 institutions represented in the preliminary round drawings out of 32 which had actually registered entries; 78 contestants took part in the preliminary rounds out of 99 actually entered.

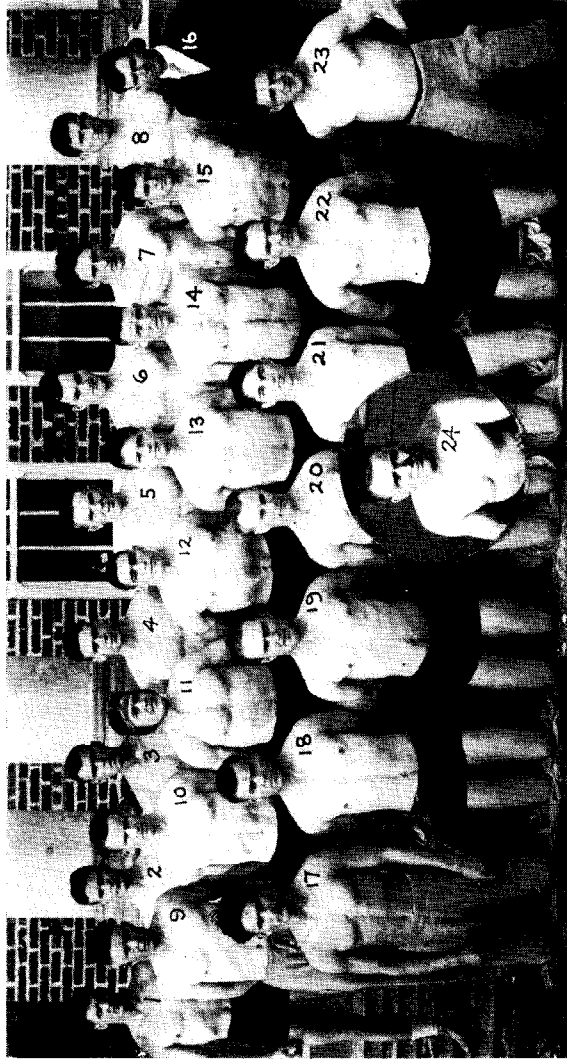
The matches got under way on the afternoon of the 28th, preliminary rounds being necessary in five of the divisions. With these preliminary round bouts over, a perfect bracket of eight contestants was left for each class. In two divisions quarter-final bouts were held Friday afternoon, with the remainder being run off that night.

Three of the defending champions, who made their first appearance in this round, had little trouble in advancing to the next round—Sapora, Mantooth and McCready. The other 1929 champions—VanBebber and Caldwell—who defaulted their titles to move up one division, also advanced to the semi-finals, although VanBebber narrowly escaped being thrown by Solano of Harvard.

Several of the best bouts of the tournament were in this round. In addition to the VanBebber-Solano match, those between Eubanks of Oklahoma University and Long of Penn State; Watkins of Oklahoma Central State Teachers College and Juhl of Iowa State; Berry of University of Oklahoma and McGuirk of Oklahoma A.&M.; and Robbins of Missouri and Cochrane of University of Kansas, were especially hard fought. The latter pair, meeting for the fifth time in two years, continued a long-standing duel; Robbins, in winning for the fifth time by less than a minute's time advantage, continued his string of victories with an advantage of fifty-six seconds.

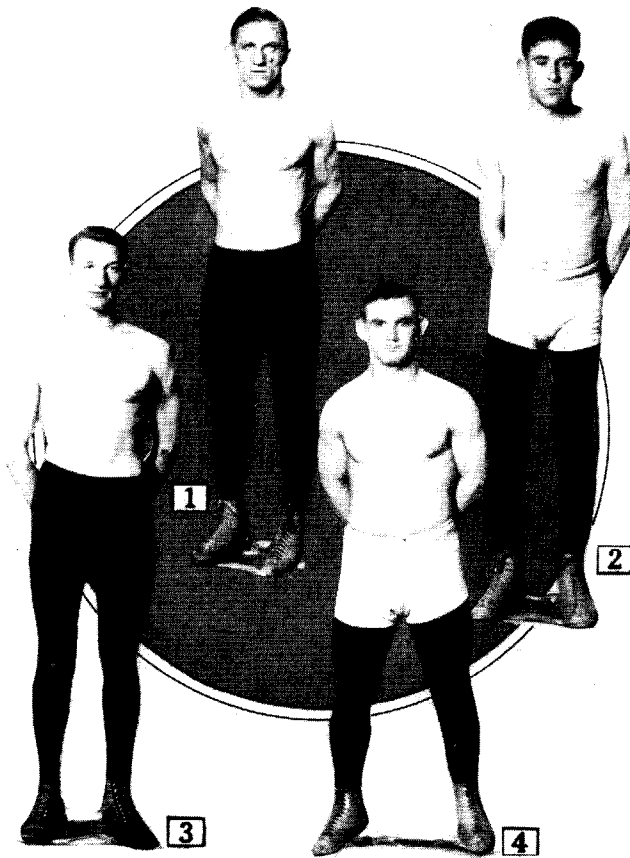
The semi-final round on Saturday afternoon produced the best matches of the tournament so far as good wrestling is concerned. The bouts between Robbins of Missouri and Steinke of Michigan, and Leach of Oklahoma University and Pearce of Oklahoma Aggies, were classics. Robbins had a two-second advantage over Steinke in the two extra periods.

The final round on Saturday night proved conclusively that most of the individual champions were without doubt the class of their divisions. In only two classes were the bouts very close. Lewis of Oklahoma University was pushed to the limit to defeat Dyer of



1, McGuirk; 2, Cunningham; 3, Dolzell; 4, VanBebber; 5, Hove; 6, Decker; 7, McFerrin; 8, McCready; 9, Toney; 10, Moore; 11, Brillhart; 12, Young; 13, Bennett; 14, Devine; 15, Stevenson; 16, E. C. Gallagher, Coach; 17, Clute; 18, Munger; 19, Hoskins; 20, Lake; 21, Pearce; 22, Gray; 23, Tapp; 24, Tomlinson.

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N.C.A.A. Champions, 1928 to 1930.



1, Joseph C. Sapora, University of Illinois, 115 pounds; 2, Lawrence Mantooth, University of Oklahoma, 125 pounds; 3, Hugh Linn, Iowa State College, 135 pounds; 4, Hardie Lewis, University of Oklahoma, 145 pounds.

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Chicago, and Caldwell of Oklahoma Aggies had a hard fight to defeat Robbins of Missouri. In the other classes the competition left little doubt as to the class of the winner. Only one fall was scored in the finals, McCready of Oklahoma Aggies pinning Burdick of Illinois in the heavyweight division in the shortest time of the entire tournament, although the official time was registered as two minutes seventeen seconds. McCready started from the Referee's defensive position and in seventeen seconds had scored a fall over Burdick. This occurred in the second four-minute period of the split bout.

The three championships scored in the top divisions in this round gave the Aggies a commanding lead in points. This total was further increased by several second and third place points in addition to the points scored for falls. The Aggies' final total was 27, nearly twice that of Illinois, the runner-up, with 14. University of Oklahoma wound up in third place with 12 points, followed by Iowa State and Michigan. The summaries:

N.C.A.A. INDIVIDUAL PLACE WINNERS.

	First.	Second.	Third.
115 lbs. . .	Sapora (Illinois)	Axford (M.I.T.)	Leach (Oklahoma)
125 lbs. . .	Mantooth (Oklahoma)	Morford (Cornell)	Cline (Okla. A&M)
135 lbs. . .	Linn (Iowa State)	Bauerle (Illinois)	Stevenson (Okla. A&M)
145 lbs. . .	Lewis (Oklahoma)	Tomlinson (Okla. A&M)	Dyer (Chicago)
155 lbs. . .	Kelley (Michigan)	Watkins (Edmond Tchrs)	Berry (Oklahoma)
165 lbs. . .	VanBebber (Okla. A&M)	Church (Kansas)	Solano (Harvard)
175 lbs. . .	Caldwell (Okla. A&M)	Helgerson (Ohio State)	Robbins (Missouri)
Heavy . . .	McCready (Okla. A&M)	Burdick (Illinois)	Errington (Kansas State)

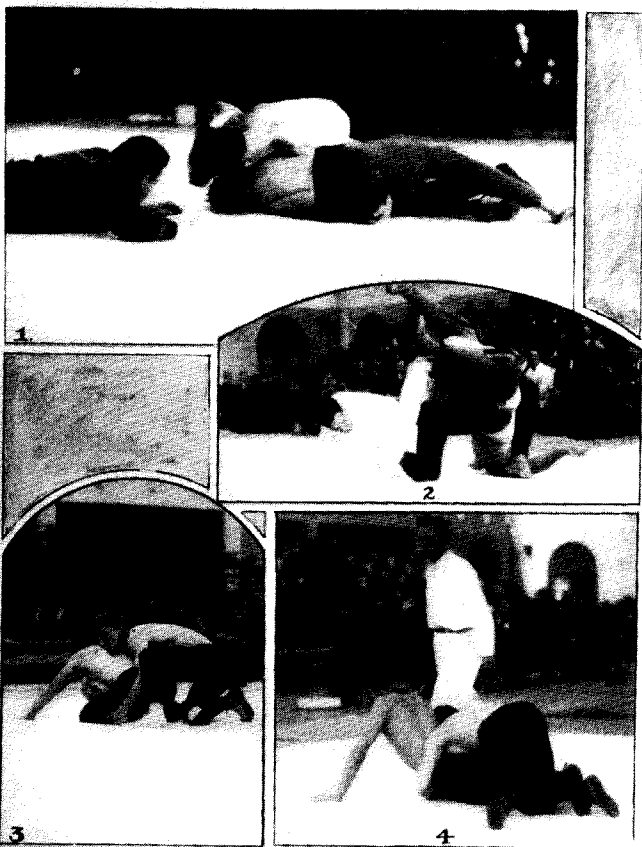
N.C.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIP SUMMARY.

115-LB. CLASS: *First Round*—Pearce (Okla. A&M) threw McCarthy (Cornell Coll.), 1m.23s.; Leach (Oklahoma) d. Aranette (Kent State), t.a., 9m.51s.; Axford (M.I.T.) d. Adair (Mechanics Inst.), t.a., 6m.15s.; Sapora (Illinois) d. Maize (Penn State), t.a., 9m.35s. *Semi-finals*—Sapora d. Axford, t.a., 6m.47s.; Leach d. Pearce, t.a., 53s. *Final*—Sapora d. Leach by forfeit. For second place Axford d. Leach by forfeit; Leach, third.

125-LB. CLASS: *First Round*—Mantooth (Oklahoma) d. Cline (Okla. A&M), t.a., 3m.45s.; Stella (Tufts) d. Klein (Harvard), t.a., 5m.49s.; La Favour (Northwestern) d. Krakowsky (Case), t.a., 4m.20s.; Norford (Cornell Coll.) threw Graves (Virginia Poly), 4m.44s. *Semi-finals*—Mantooth d. Stella, t.a., 6m.35s.; Morford d. La Favour, t.a., 3m.56s. *Final*—Mantooth d. Morford, t.a., 1m.49s. Morford d. Cline for second place; Cline d. Graves for third place.

135-LB. CLASS: *First Round*—Linn (Iowa State) threw Stein (Penn State), 7m.55s.; Stoner (Michigan State) threw Kent (Rochester Tech), 7m.19s.; Stevenson (Okla. A&M) d. Anderton (Brown), t.a., 1m.50s. *Second Round*—Linn d. Stoner, t.a., 9m.10s.; Bauerle (Illinois) d. Stevenson, t.a., 8m.2s.; Field (Virginia Mil. Inst.) d. Anderson (Syracuse), t.a., 2m.47s.; Fickel (Kansas State) threw Ed Belshaw (Indiana), 5m.59s. *Semi-finals*—Linn threw Fickel, 6m.4s.; Bauerle d. Field, t.a., 9m. *Final*—Linn d. Bauerle, t.a., 5m.8s. Bauerle d. Stoner for second place; Stevenson d. Stoner for third place.

145-LB. CLASS: *First Round*—Lewis (Oklahoma) d. Tomlinson (Okla. A&M), t.a., 7m.14s.; Cole (Iowa State) d. Cooper (Mass. Inst. Tech.), t.a., 4m.43s.; Sargeant (Lafayette) d. Marshall (Michigan State), t.a., 2m.47s.;



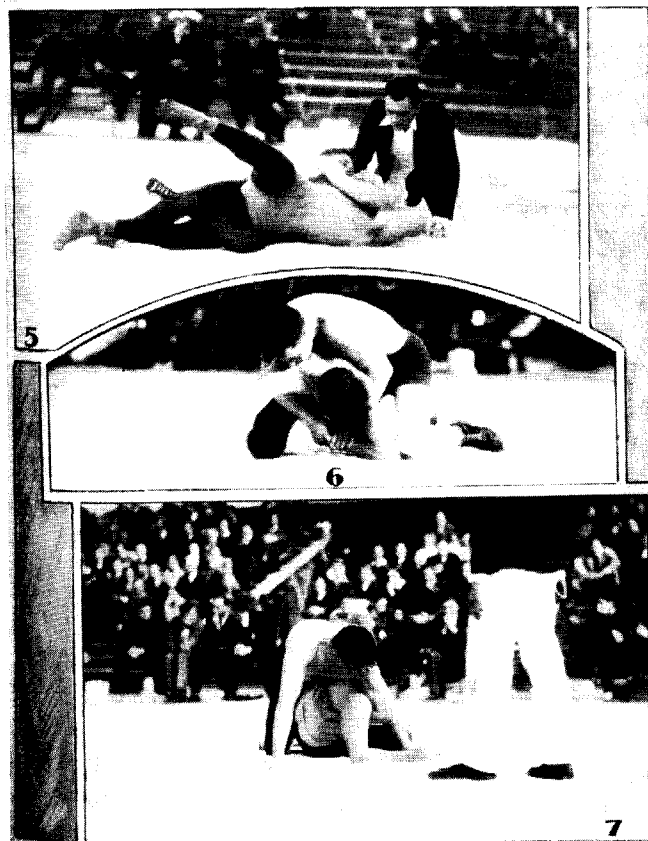
(1) Kelley, advantage; Watkins, underneath; Bauman, referee; 155-pound semi-final. A fall imminent from half-Nelson and crotch hold. Offensive wrestler should not allow opponent to get his right arm down or he will slip out of the hold.

(2) McCready throwing Errington; heavyweight semi-final. An unusual "pin" hold.

(3) Sapora, advantage; Oxford, underneath; 115-pound semi-final. An effective method of retaining the advantage behind. Should be considered stalling by the referee if retained for any considerable length of time.

(4) Another effective method of keeping defensive man on mat—but a stalling hold. Referee should penalize offensive man if hold is retained long.

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(5) Cole, behind; Cooper, defensive; Bauman, referee; 145-pound preliminary. A fall imminent from leg-ride and headlock. A very punishing hold. Referee should not allow offensive wrestler to force the headlock as it becomes purely a punishing hold.

(6) Church, advantage; George Belshaw, underneath; 165-pound semi-final. A good example of a legitimate armlock by offensive wrestler. Should be considered stalling if retained too long.

(7) Burdick, advantage; Fairall, underneath; heavyweight semi-final. A stalling hold. Should be allowed for short time only.

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