

Wrestling

The Tech wrestlers went into the past season with one of the strongest teams ever assembled in the history of RIT. Tech had such established stars as Jim Modrak, who was undefeated in twenty-nine previous collegiate bouts, Dave Smith, Hans Dotzler, and Tony Palmiere. From this group, only Palmiere escaped injury.

Modrak severely damaged his leg after the second match and was unable to wrestle for the remainder of the year. Hans Dotzler, who wrestled in the 137 lb. class in 1955-56, moved up to the 147 lb. class to replace Modrak. There was no replacement for Dotzler in his former division and this resulted in forfeiting the 137 lb. weight class to all opponents. This proved a determining factor in a number of bouts during the season.

Smith wrestled until the Christmas holidays at which time he was struck with an acute case of appendicitis. Palmiere compiled a 10·1·1 record and along with Bob Lehmann, came in second in their respective weight divisions in the post season Individual Invitational Intercollegiate Tournament. Palmiere received the Theta Gamma Trophy which is given annually to the most outstanding wrestler of the year.

The Frosh wrestlers posted a 6-3 record for the season. It was a good season for the freshmen and should do much to strengthen the varsity next year.

The varsity coach was Earl Fuller and the Freshman coach, Ed Grain. Coach Fuller has handled the Tech wrestlers for a number of prosperous seasons.

1956-57 RECORD

RIT			RIT		
12	Colgate University	14	26	Toronto University	5
18	Oswego State	18	11	Cortland State	21
24	Case Institute of Technology	8	7	Lockhaven State College	24
26	Clarkson College	6	16	University of Buffalo	18
3	Waynesburg	23	14	Alfred University	16
13	Ithaca College	16	14	Baldwin Wallace	16









