## Grapplers Place Second in 4-1 Tourney West Retains 137lb. Championship

Coach Earl Fuller's grapplers closed out the current season with a strong finish as they took second in the recent 4-I tournament, finishing just two points behind Waynesburg. The showing was the best ever turned in by an Institute team in this tourney.

Leading the Tigers to their 37 point total was 137 pounder Ramon West. A takedown in the final seconds of the championship match gave West a 4-3 decision as he successfully defended his championship that he won last year.

Captain Dick Zoyhofski went to the finals in the 157 pound division but dropped a 4-2 overtime decision and wound up with second place.

Charlie Missakian took third in the 117 pound competition as he pinned two of the four men that he wrestled. One of the pins came in the short time of 1:30 and was the fastest fall of the tournament.

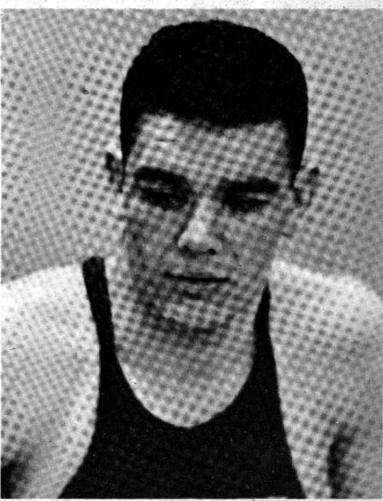
Jim Kennedy won a hardfought-for fourth place finish in the 147 pound competition. Kennedy wrestled six matches in the tourney, more than any of the other RIT contestants.

The tournament closed out a season of ups and downs and unusual circumstances. The opening match saw the team clobber Oswego 32-5 but it wasn't until past the middle of the season that the team was again able to enjoy similar success.

Injuries played havoc with the It was actually past mid-season when the entire varsity first string all participated in one meet. Only four of the eight regulars participated in all ten varsity meets.

Several highlights occurred throughout the year. In the opening Oswego meet Charlie Missakian pinned his man in 48 seconds for the fastest fall of the year. Five of Missakian's seven victories came by pins.

Ramon West had another fine season in piling up a 8-1-1 record. The mark of a true champion



RAMON WEST—The Baltimore Bullet completed an outstanding varsity wrestling career and retained his 4-1 championship.

was reflected in his comeback victory in the 4-I finals as he shot the works at his opponent to get the late takedown and win the match.

Dick Zoyhofski finished out his second undefeated season and ran his undefeated string of dual meets to 27 straight. This record represents most of his three year varsity career.

Missakian, West and Zoyhofski are seniors and have completed their careers. Two other members of the squad will also be joining them in graduation exercises. They are Jim Kennedy, whose 31-5-2 career record is on a par with those of West and Zoyhofski, and Ken Klaus, the team's heavyweight anchor man for the past three seasons.

## **Liebl Places Third**

Freshman team captain Barry Liebl wound up a successful season last weekend by taking third place in the annual West Point Freshman Wrestling Tournament.

After dropping a close decision in the semi-finals Liebl came back to win the consolation match and capture third place.

Also competing in the tourney were Stuart Farr and Doug Drake. Drake was forced out of action early in the tourney with a knee injury.

The tourney closed out Captain Liebl's frosh career and next year he should prove to be a valuable addition to the varsity squad.

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