

Wrestlers Finish at 10-1; Zoyhofski, West Undeclared

★ A season of firsts. This best describes the outstanding wrestling season just concluded. The firsts for Coach Earl Fuller's matmen included; victories over arch rivals Waynesburg and Lockhaven in the same season, two undefeated stars in the same year, three first place winners in the 4I tournament and a finisher in the national championships.

On January 9, in the fourth meet of the year, the team met and defeated Waynesburg. One month later, on February 6, they defeated Lockhaven for the first time in the history of the series. These two meets proved to be the tonic the team needed to go on to compile a 10-1 record.

Two of the wrestlers, Ramon West and Dick Zoyhofski, finished the season with perfect records. Zoyhofski, who now has a string of 20 victories over a two year period is within reach of

the record of 29 straight.

Jim Kennedy proved to be outstanding in posting a 10-1 record as was Captain Jerry Huffman in posting a 9-1-1 record. Equally as valuable was Ken Klaus and the many outstanding clutch performances he turned in as heavyweight.

The post season tournaments found the matmen rising to heights never before achieved by an RIT team. In the 4I tournament they finished second in the team standings and crowned three individual champions. Ramon West at 137, Jerry Huffman at 147 and Dick Zoyhofski at 167 each brought home a first place trophy. Ken Klaus also placed in a tough heavyweight class by taking fourth place.

The National Championships provided a comparison of RIT to other top college teams throughout the country as 81 colleges were represented by 266 wrestlers. Ramon West became the first RIT wrestler to place in the tournament when he captured fourth place in the 130 pound class. He bowed in the semi-finals to Stan Abel of the Univ. of Oklahoma who was the defending national champion and repeated again this year. It was an outstanding performance for the Baltimore Bullet in the toughest of the intercollegiate tournaments.

At heavyweight Ken Klaus had a 1-1 record in the tournament. In his first match he defeated Pat Lovell, the Pacific Coast champion from California State Poly. In his other match Ken dropped a decision to Fred Wright, the Midwest Champion from Cornell College of Iowa.

In the other RIT matches Captain Jerry Huffman was decided in a close match 3-2 by Bill Taylor, also a Midwest Champion from Cornell College. At 157 pounds Dick Zoyhofski dropped a decision to Fritz Fivian, a Pacific Coast Champion.

The comparisons that came out of the tournament are interesting. Penn State and Pittsburg, co-champions in the Eastern Intercollegiate, only placed one man each in the final standings. Ramon West, in placing in the 130 pound class turned in a fine effort against a defending and repeating national champion.

Electrical V Win Playoff

Electrical V, behind the scoring of Dick Corcoran and Joe Bates, rolled over the Tools from the Mechanical department 47-40 to take the playoffs in the Intramural Basketball league.

The regular season champs, Chemistry I, were eliminated by the Electrical quintet in the semi finals but the Chem team was playing without two of its top scorers, Wendell Hutt and Jake Jekubowski, who were on work block.

In the championship game against the Tools, Corcoran chipped in 14 points in leading the victors. Jim Brown of the Tools however took scoring honors with 19 points.

The Electrical team consisted of Charlie Mattison, Dick Abranowicz, Ray Thompson, Joe Bates, Joe Zigadlo and Corcoran. Bates had scored 19 points in the semi finals against Chemistry to lead the victory that night.

Chemistry I took the regular championship with an 11-1 record with Mike Fahsel leading the team in scoring. The team's only loss was a 40-36 defeat at the hands of the Tools.