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Wrestlers eye return to Top 20 after two wins Laker Hall to be sight of SUNYACs this weekend

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Oswego State scored two victories against SUNYAC rivals Binghamton and Oneonta Feb. 7, at Binghamton.

The dual victories raised the Lakers record to 9-8, and virtually assured the grapplers a return visit to the Division III Wrestling Top 20.

In the first match of the day, the Lakers cruised to a 38-4 victory over Binghamton. Co-captain Brian Darling recorded the only pin for the Lakers, downing Brian Calao at the 2:08 mark.

Mike Guanciale, Mike Jackson, Steve Amyot and Matt Ladka all got wins the easy way by forfeit of their Binghamton opponents.

Daryl Daniels and Chris Buhner round out Oswego's scoring with wins of 7-4 and 6-0 respectively.

The second match saw Oswego top the nationally ranked Red Dragons.

Recording victories for the Lakers were Mike Wade, Rob Price, Amyot, Buhner and Ladka. The current standings in the SUNYAC con-

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ference are as follows: Brockport (5-0), Oswego (4-1), Oneonta (3-2), Cortland (2-3), Potsdam (1-4) and Binghamton (0-5).

SUNYAC Preview

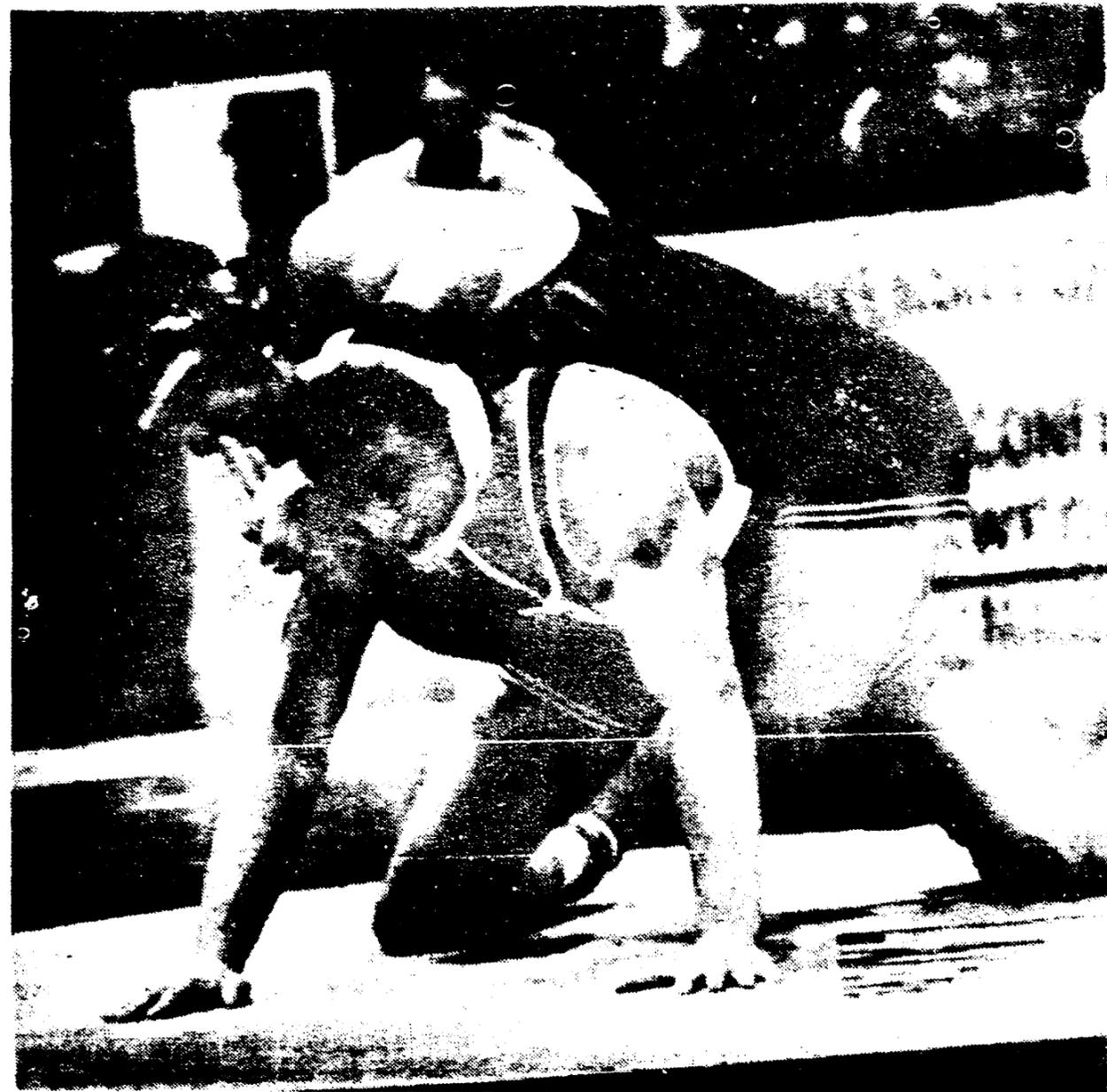
This weekend Oswego will host the 30th annual SUNYAC Wrestling Championship. Preliminary matches will start Friday at 4 p.m., with the championship and consolation matches starting at noon on Saturday. All action will be at Laker Hall.

Oswego Coach Mike Howard expects very tight matches between Brockport, Cortland and Oswego. "I think upsets might play a big part this year," commented Howard. "We really need everyone to place in order to win the championship. Brian Darling has a shot at his third title. John Hill has a very good shot in the 142 lb. class. In the last two years, we have wrestled well on the first day but have dried up in the finals. Guys like Mike Guanciale, Mike Wade, Steve Amyot, Scott Brinley and Chris Buhner must wrestle



Gut Wrench

Steve Amyot looks to control foe (photo courtesy of Jim Howard)



The squeeze is on

Laker wrestlers look forward to upcoming SUNYACs (photo by Jeff Marcal)

well."

Howard cannot emphasize how tough the competition is this year.

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Overall, Coach Howard is looking forward to this weekend's championships. A fine performance is expected by the Lakers.