

1977 championship

Brockport favored to win SUNY tournament

Defending State University Conference wrestling champion Brockport State is favored to turn back bids here Friday night and Saturday by Cortland, Oswego, and five other SUNY entries in the 1977 championship tournament.

Brockport is currently third-ranked nationally among Division III teams, and second-ranked in New York State in the overall poll. Oswego is 12th in the national ranks. Cortland is 14th. None of the other five entries, Albany, Binghamton, Geneseo, Oneonta or Potsdam, are in the top 20.

"We've got an outstanding field with many young competitors," said Jim Howard, host coach of Oswego State. "The SUNY is the first round in a three-step plateau for these wrestlers. The best are going to keep driving until they

wrestle in the NCAA national Division III championship in Binghamton."

Five defending champs from 1976 are returning. Wrestling starts with the quarterfinals on three mats Friday in Laker Hall at 7:30 pm. The 1976 champs include Brockport's Abe Lan at 134 pounds, Jim Habel at 167, and 238-pound heavyweight Mackie Tyndall. Other defending champs are Binghamton's Mark Palombo at 158 and Oswego's Paul Corley at 177.

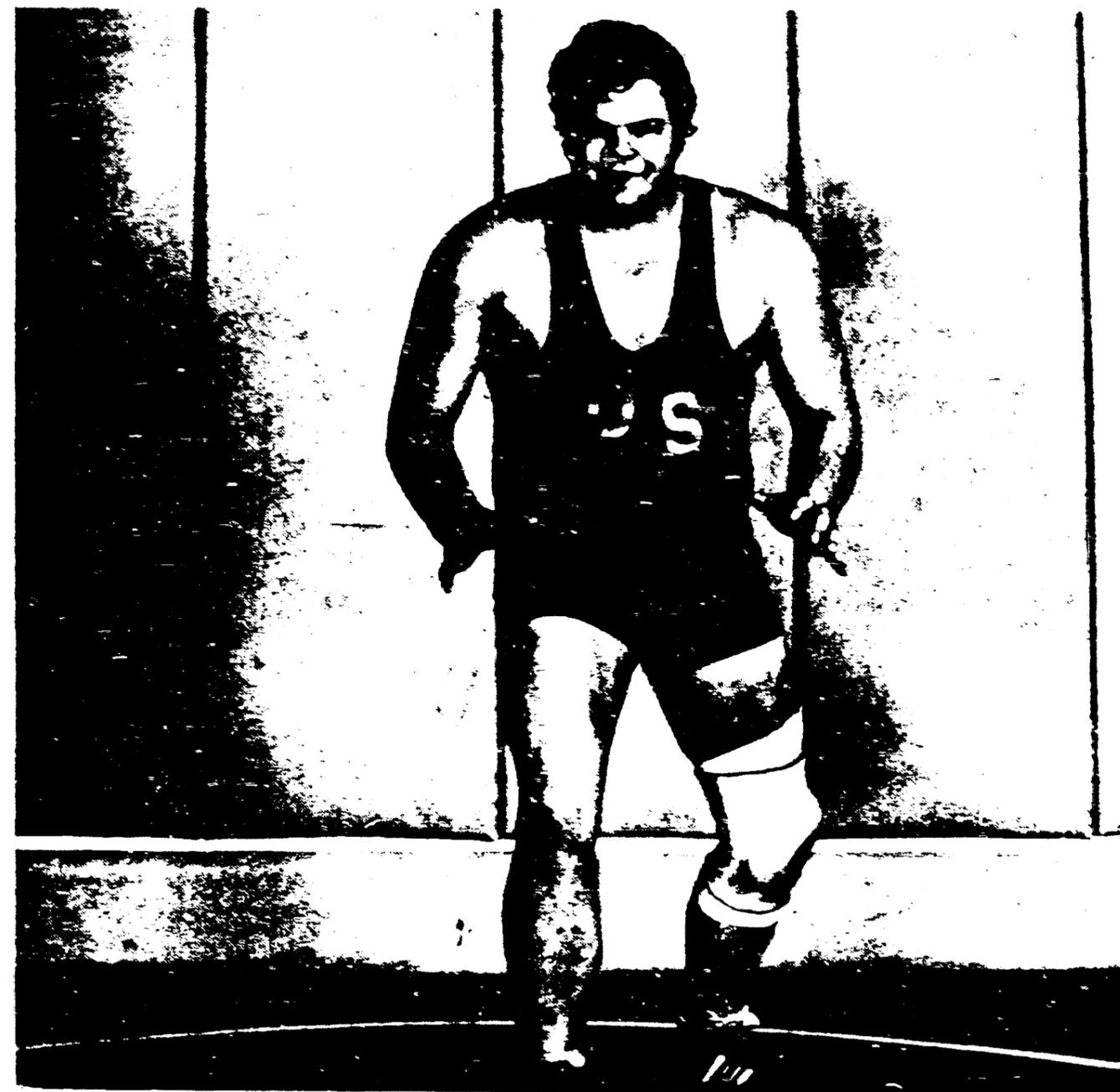
Many competitors who were runners-up or semifinalists last season are also back. Tyndall, who out-generated St. Lawrence's 1976 national champ Ron Pelligra, and won the New York State Invitational tourney on his last visit to Laker Hall, could collide with Oswego's colorful 258-pound heavy-

weight hopeful Jimmy Hauptfleish, whose many wins include a decision against a 610-pound Canadian black bear.

Hauptfleish won the title in 1975, but because of illness, was unable to defend a year ago. Other Oswego hopes include Marc Chacona, runnerup at 158 last year and Rich Lobdell, second at 167 a year ago. Rod MacDonald,

a freshman 142 pounder, is among the highly regarded rookies in the tourney.

Saturday's semifinals start at 11 AM. Championship finals are at 3 PM. Admission is \$1.50 each day, and includes all daily sessions. Students and senior citizens are admitted at half price. Oswego State students with properly validated ID cards are admitted free.



HEAVYWEIGHT JIM Hauptfleish, who once wrestled a 600-pound bear and lived to talk about it, leads the Lakers against five other SUNY entries this weekend at Laker Hall. Wrestling begins Friday night, with the quarterfinals starting at 7:30.

Women cagers lose two

By **SUSAN BERNSTEIN**

The Oswego State Women's Basketball team went down to defeat twice last week, playing the St. Lawrence Saints and the Syracuse Orange Women.

On Saturday the Great Lakers traveled to St. Lawrence, only to be defeated 70-41. The Saints went ahead in the middle of the first half with their center as the offensive standout. She was the game high scorer with 27 points.

Although Oswego had many rebounds, they couldn't make the baskets. The first half ended 36-19 in favor of the Saints.

Oswego started the second half at a faster pace. St. Lawrence was in foul trouble very early in the second half. Oswego, however, was unable to make the shots at the foul line. They shot seven for 28 at the line.

Jody Phelps was high scorer with 14 points followed by Michele Kunz-wiler with 10 points.

On Thursday, Oswego lost to Syracuse 79-50. Syracuse pulled away in the first half leading 30-15 with six minutes left. At the half the score was 40-28.

Oswego came back in the second half to within 8 points at 48-40, but Syracuse had some outstanding outside shooters, and they pulled away again.

The game high scorer was Jody Phelps with 15 points. Michele Kunz-wiler had 14 points and Joanne Murphy had 12 points.

Joanne Murphy had the most rebounds with 21, followed by Jody Phelps with 11 and Colleen McCormack with 10.

The team's next game is Friday night at Lee Hall against Colgate.