

First Sectional Mat Championship Is Earned by Massena Central Team



MASSENA'S SECTIONAL CHAMPS. Seven out of 12 Massena Red Raiders who finished in the finals of the Sectionals became section champions in one of the biggest individual sweeps in Northern wrestling. Pictured are: 106-pounds, Norman LaCombe; 115-pounds, Jim Bole; 130-pounds, John Babcock; 136 pounds, Gerald Bouvier; 148-pounds, Capt. Weldon Canough; 157-pounds, Pat Murphy; 178-pounds, Erwin Hutchins; Coach Mike Nicholas who directed the Raiders to an unbeaten season.



FIRST FOR MASSENA. Supt. Walter Wilson presents Capt. Weldon Canough with the Section 10 wrestling trophy won by Massena. It is the first time the Raiders have earned a Section Championship in the history of the school. The Raiders, NNY League champs for first time this year are unbeaten in nine matches.

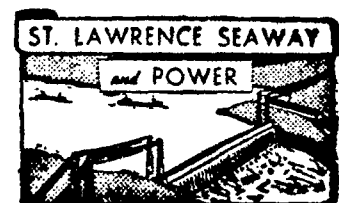


SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS. Massena dominated the Sectional Championship wrestling meet here by winning the title for the first time in school history. Pictured are the individual winners. Front row: 95-pounds, B. Woods, Canton; 106-pounds, Norman LaCombe, Massena; 115-pounds, Jim Bole, Massena; 123-pounds, Lynde, Gouverneur; 130-pounds, John Babcock, Massena; 136-pounds, Gerald Bouvier, Massena. Second row: 141-pounds, Bush, Gouverneur; 148-pounds, Capt. Weldon Canough, Massena; 157-pounds, Pat Murphy, Massena; 168-pounds, Gene Davis, Gouverneur; 178-pounds, Erwin Hutchins, Unlim-
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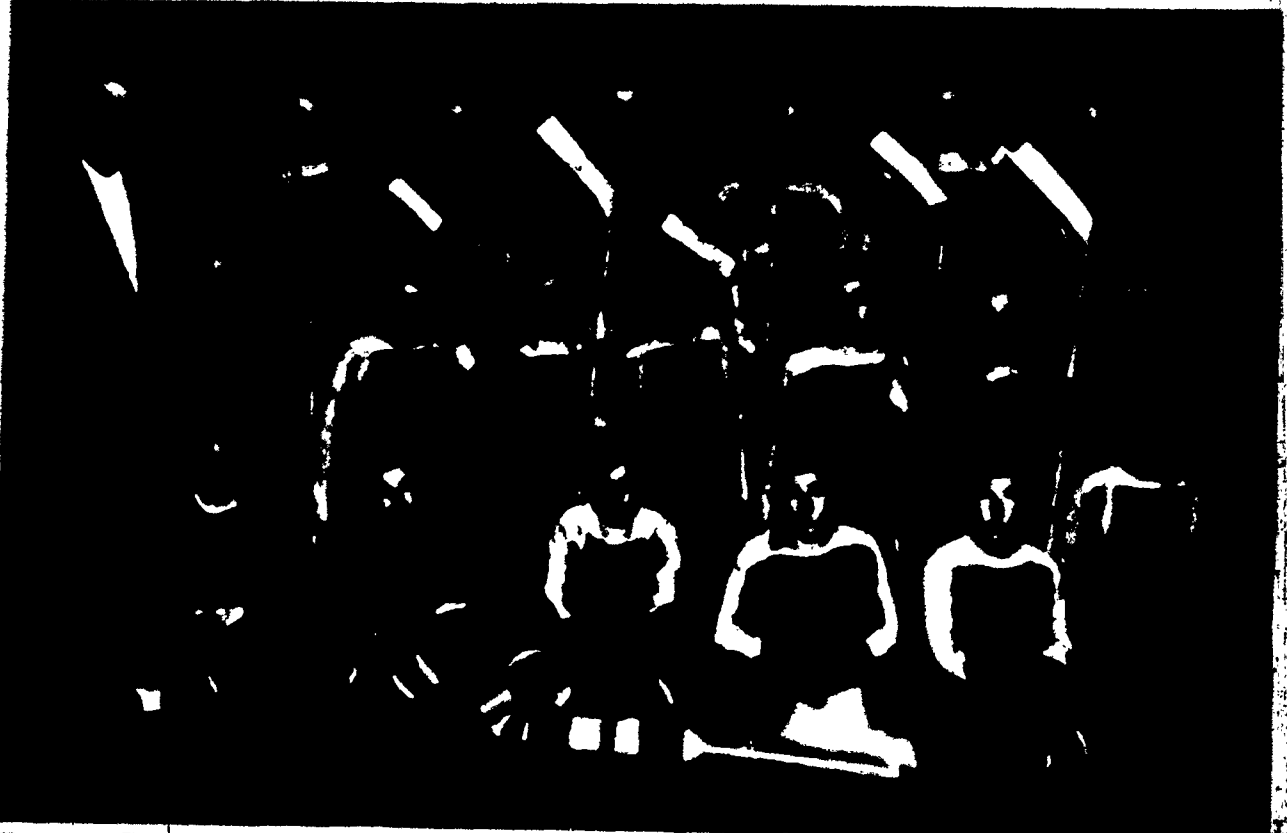


Wrestlers Eligible for Inter-Sectionals Saturday

Massena - Malone 4th Place Playoff Game at Potsdam

Massena Has Never Won Playoff Title

Three top games in the past of Massena have been a hard fought battle between the two schools. The last time they met was in the 1948-49 season. Since that time the two schools have never met in a playoff game. The game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Potsdam High School. The game will be a hard fought battle between the two schools. The game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Potsdam High School.



Pee Wee in State Hockey Tournament

MASSENA REPRESENTATIVES. The squad which will represent Massena in the State tournament at Troy this weekend is shown above. Front row: Coach Jim Long, Mike Smith, Jim Antwine, Glen Adams, Bill Board way, Bill Pala, Bob Hoyer. Second row: Bob LaPointe, Mike Branchetti, Joe Long, Rod Boardway, Ed Novack, Butch Parisian, Jack Kirkey. Third row: Peter Helmer, Jerry Cullen, Mike Jukoski, Gabor Balasz, Gabor Boscor, Eddie Rog. Missing when the picture was taken is George Navdi.

16 Point Win Earn Raiders Tie for 4th

The Massena Red Raiders defeated the Flying N's of Norwood-Norfolk Friday night on the Massena court, 65-50, to finish tied for fourth in the Northern League. The visitors opened up the ballgame with a strong attack and were out front on field baskets by Prashaw and Wright, before the local's managed to score. Smythe got the first Massena tally from the foul line, hitting in his first attempt, but missing the second. The Massenans pulled themselves together and began hitting more accurately from the field, managing to tie up the score 7-7, midway through the period. The Raiders netted six points in the remaining minutes while holding Norwood scoreless to lead the period's end, 13-7. Boots and Sharlow together scored ten of these points, Boots cutting the cords twice, and Sharlow hitting three times. Terry Smythe, Barney Deshaies, and Bob Morgan each totaled four points in the following period, to help the Raiders increase their lead to ten points by the end of the first period, 30-20. Wright scored half of the Norwood's 13 point total in this period by dropping in two field goals and three charity throws. The Flying N's, led by Prashaw, gave Massena a scare in the third period, as they managed to close the locals lead to a bare five points, midway through the period. Sherwood and Morgan helped bail the Raiders out of trouble, so that the score at the end of the period was 42-23, Massena.

Bowling

BUSINESS LEAGUE
Jane Hazel bowled 212, Winnie Ratowski 557, Coca Cola 790, L & H 2,241 for the best marks in the Business Women's League.
Also Marking over 500 were Anita Savoca 507, Carroll Eros 507.
In the 400 group were Rita Bean 443, M. Holcomb 419, Thelma Faucher 443, Edith Ratowski 415, Vi Nichols 437, Helen Treers 471, Jo Romeo 452, Mary Romeo 407, G. Phelix 495, Polly Ford 434, M. McGuire 407, Lee Whalen 498, Myrtle Romeo 479, E. Hazel 468, L. Murphy 434, Ronnie Martin 462, Helen O'Shaughnessy 430, J. Seguin 452, M. Kirkey 456, R. Deugaw 424, Sally Ratowski 447, Ruth Cappelle 476, Jean Dishaw 461, Sally Goodenx 460.
All team matches wound up as 3-1 victories for Goodenx over Mam'selle, Kaplan's over Cokes, L & H over Friendly Tavern, Newberry's over Levine's.
Standings: Mam'selle 26-10, Newberry's 21-15, Kaplan's 19-17, Cokes 18-18, L & H 17-19, Goodenx's 17-19, Tavern 15-21, Levine's 10-26.

WEDNESDAY NITERS
Six bowlers tallied 800 triples in the Wednesday Nitters League.
Jake Kormanyos with 637 was the number one triple bowler. He had singles of 234, 191, 222. Si Eros, with the same Tavern team, bowled 623 for second best. He marked 235, 177, 211. Next were Loren Edelman 192, 221, 171 for 618; Nat Waldman 192, 271, 205 for 618; George Eagles 213, 171, 216; 608; B. McLaughlin 223, 154, 227, 6-6; Tony Romeo 184, 222, 197, 603.
Warriner's 235, Eros' 226 and Fred Sures' 224 singles tranked in the top three here. Others bowling big singles were G. Smith 234, Joe Dwyer 222, B. Bellie 222.
Tavern led the teams in scoring with 1,044 and 1,065. IGA bowled 1,056 and Army 1,022 in the singles. Army hit 2,975 and 284 Club 2,933 for the second and third high triples.
Standings: Sealtree 20-14; 284 Club 20-15; Tavern 20-18; K of C 22-22; Iga 19-23; Caribino's 19-23; Army 17-27; Woodlawn 15-28.

INDEPENDENT LEAGUE
Keith Sharlow racked up a 246 single, James Daggett bowled 664 for the individual marks in the Independent League.
Best in scratch scores were Carp Derouchie 225 single, Ray LaBaff and Froy Bogdevitz with 563 gross scores. Others included Derouchie 577, Elmer Rakose 558, James Daggett 558.

Sports THE MASSENA OBSERVER, MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1956 Paul Sharlow Valuable Player

Paul Sharlow became the second member of his family to be honored by receiving the Most Valuable Basketball Player Award. Yesterday, at the Seventh Annual RAMS Basketball dinner, Paul was presented the trophy by Tom Sullivan for his work in the 1955-56 season. Player Award went to Paul's son. Last year, the Most Valuable brother Jack, Paul's other brother, Jimmy, will be a candidate for the award in the next two years, since he is playing with the Jayvees now. Paul began playing for the high school under former Jayvee Coach, Harley Scott. He moved up to the Varsity last year, and played under Ted Kot. This year he became the first person to be awarded the Valuable Player Award while playing under Coach Larry Martin. The singing of the National Anthem opened the dinner. The invocation was given by Rev. Bernard Kellogg, Sacred Heart Church. Joe Romeo introduced RAMS President Wallace Cornell, who greeted the fans. Toastmaster James Hendericks of Uhl, Hall, and Rich then took over. Coach Martin thanked everyone for their cooperation in his first year at Massena, and he introduced the team. Tom Sullivan then made the Most Valuable Player Award. It is awarded on the basis of citizenship, leadership, scholastic ability and playing ability. Sullivan urged the boys on, and encouraged them to believe in themselves and the desire to win. Mayor Ralph Johns and his wife, William Leary of the School Board, Superintendent of Schools Walter S. Wilson, and principal William Dwyer were introduced. Dwyer praised the Massena cheer leaders for their efforts throughout the year. Trustees Hutch Viskovich and Carmen Bradshaw, plus candidates Mert White and Dwight Main were acknowledged. Physical Education director Jim Long introduced Coach William Stephenson of Norwood-Norfolk. He praised the boys for their improvement between the first and last games of the season. Mr. Stephenson then urged the boys to carry on the skills learned in school into their adulthood. The boys should be participants, not just spectators. Once they were physically unable to play, they should not lose their spectator interest, their capacity to enjoy things. He admonished the boys to help organize and sponsor sports programs in their communities. Stephenson also stressed the tolerance of others in their future life. He then wished the Massenans luck in their game with Malone tomorrow. Ted Wright, Captain of the Norwood Five was acknowledged. Father Kellogg gave the Benediction. The banquet was concluded with the singing of the Northern Star.

Club Monthly Meet

The Rod and Gun Club's best monthly meeting ever scheduled in a long, long time will be held Thursday night at the VFW Hall at 7:30 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Jess K. Underwood will show motion pictures they have taken on hunting and fishing in Idaho and Montana. In addition, to make the evening more interesting available films include Sharkey's knockout of Dempsey, Harry Hill's kayo over Taslino Ucvzudon and Carpenter's kayo loss to Tunney, plus Joe Louis knocking out Braddock. Movies of the Black Foot Indian Rodeo, scenery from Yellowstone and Tetons will be available. Underwood, a forester by profession, is now supervisor inspector of clearing on the St. Lawrence River Project. He and Mrs. Underwood are employed by Uhl, Hall and Rich on the Power Project. Their home is Montana. Mr. and Mrs. Underwood will show the type of film requested and the length according to the re-action and size of the crowd. Women as well as men are invited to attend. This is one of the finest programs scheduled by the Rod and Gun Club in some time. Anyone who wishes is more than welcome to attend as well as to take part in the club's short business program. For the benefit of newcomers to Massena the Rod and Gun Club had 1,181 members, one of the largest in the state in 1955. They have been active in conservation for more than 30 years. Persons working on the river project who wish to take part should consider this news story as a special invitation to them to come to Thursday's session. S. Stewart Williams, secretary-treasurer reports.

Seven Massenans Will Compete At Watertown

By Ed Werner
Seven Massena wrestlers will compete in the Watertown Sectional Mat Summaries Finals. The wrestlers are: 130 pounds: Wood, C. decided 13 Cartton, 0, 6-4. 150 pounds: LaCombe, M. decided Parshley, C. 2-0. 115 pounds: Bole, M. decided Lamica, 2-0. 123 pounds: Lynde, G. decided Gratto, C. 1-1. 120 pounds: Babcock, M. decided Cole, 0, 5-2. 136 pounds: Bouvier, M. decided Holmes, G. 141 pounds: Bush, G. decided Smith, M. 5-0. 148 pounds: Canough, M. pinned Elliot, C. 1:00 of first period. 157 pounds: Murphy, M. decided Pretty, G. 8-3. 168 pounds: G. Davis, G. decided J. Davis, M. 2-0. 178 pounds: Hutchins, M. decided Mercer, G. 4-1. Unlimted: James, C. decided Jazeton, M. Referees: Jack Hantz, Jim Kuhns.

Sectional Mat Summaries

Finals
130 pounds: Wood, C. decided 13 Cartton, 0, 6-4.
150 pounds: LaCombe, M. decided Parshley, C. 2-0.
115 pounds: Bole, M. decided Lamica, 2-0.
123 pounds: Lynde, G. decided Gratto, C. 1-1.
120 pounds: Babcock, M. decided Cole, 0, 5-2.
136 pounds: Bouvier, M. decided Holmes, G.
141 pounds: Bush, G. decided Smith, M. 5-0.
148 pounds: Canough, M. pinned Elliot, C. 1:00 of first period.
157 pounds: Murphy, M. decided Pretty, G. 8-3.
168 pounds: G. Davis, G. decided J. Davis, M. 2-0.
178 pounds: Hutchins, M. decided Mercer, G. 4-1.
Unlimted: James, C. decided Jazeton, M.
Referees: Jack Hantz, Jim Kuhns.

Semi-finals

98 pounds: Wood, C. pinned Barnes, G. 0:58 of the first period
Cartton, C. over Trimboli, M.
106 pounds: LaCombe, M. decided Noses, G. 9-3 Parshley, C. over Bush, 0.
115 pounds: Lamica, G. bye Bole, M. over, Bailey, 0.
123 pounds: Gratto, C. decided Smith, G. 6-3 Lynde, G. over Iriss, M.
130 pounds: Cole, 0, decided Butler, C. 9-4 Babcock, M. over Farran, G.
136 pounds: Holmes, G. decided Mitcheu, 0, 7-0 Bouvier, M. win by forfeit.
141 pounds: Bush, G. win by forfeit Smith, M. over Tisdell, C.
148 pounds: Canough, M. pinned Marney, 0, 0:35 of the first period Elliott, C. over Tuttle, G.
157 pounds: Murphy, M. decided Brenno, 0, 7-0 Pretty, G. over Pierce, C.
168 pounds: Davis, G. decided Laperance, 0, 4-0 decided Davis, M. over Ackley, C. 2-1.
178 pounds: Hutchins, M. win by forfeit Mercer, C. over Martin, G. Unlimited: Hazelton, M. decided Hiller, 0, 6-0 James, C. over Tobaney, G.
O-G-Canton: G-Gouverneur; O-Ogdensburg; M-Massena.)

Northern League

	W	L	Pts.
Ogdensburg	14	2	.875
Gouverneur	13	3	.813
Tupper Lake	12	4	.750
MASSENA	8	8	.500
Malone	8	8	.500
Canton	6	10	.375
Potsdam	5	11	.313
Norwood	4	12	.250
Saratoga Lake	1	15	.063
Resists Friday			
OFA 52 Gouverneur 44			
Malone 54 Potsdam 48			
Tupper 76 Canton 56			
MASSENA 66 Norwood 50			