

Cortland State Red Dragons
1954-1955 Wrestling

WRESTLING



KNEELING: Schaffer, Cummings, Skillman, O'Brien, Cario, DiPompeo, Valentine. STANDING: Quinn, Campbell, Wachob, B. Mahoney, H. Mahoney, Parks, Terry.

WRESTLING RECORD

Cortland		Opponent
7	Cornell	26
29	Syracuse	3
18	Wilkes College	16
38	Un. of Buffalo	0
16	R.I.T.	16
11	Hofstra	17
26	Alfred Un.	8
20	Ithaca	18
Won - 6	Lost - 2	Tied - 1

The 1954-55 Cortland State wrestling squad, under the leadership of Dave Miller, finished with a very impressive mark of six wins, two losses and one tie, though up against a very tough schedule. The 6-2-1 mark has been one of the best varsity wrestling records in recent years.

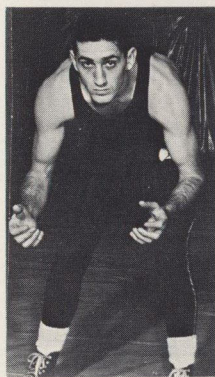
After an opening loss to Cornell, the Millermen won four straight (Colgate, Syracuse, Wilkes, and the University of Buffalo) and they were tied by a strong R.I.T. mat squad. The win against Syracuse was the first for Cortland, in the past seven campaigns. Hofstra College handed the Cortland grapplers their second loss, which was followed by Cortland victories over Alfred and Ithaca. Scholastic difficulties, after the first semester by key men, spelled the difference in the Hofstra and R.I.T. matches.

Twenty three members of the squad wrestled in intercollegiate matches, during the long season. Some of these men helped the J.V. squad post their three wins and four losses. Although not highly impressive, the Junior matmen gained valuable match experience.

Harold "Bud" Mahoney, a junior from Mephram

High School, turned in the best record of all the Cortland wrestlers. Wrestling in the 167 pound class, Mahoney won eight in a row after dropping his opening bout, to finish with an impressive 8-1 record. Other Red Dragon wrestlers who turned in fine season records were Sam Cario, 130 pound senior (7-1-1), Wade Cummings, 123 pound junior (7-2), and Bob Mahoney, 177 pound senior (7-2). Clarence Shaffer, 130 pound sophomore, completed a 6-1 season, wrestling mostly with the J.V.'s.

Cario and Cummings highlighted the 1954-55 campaign by winning the 123 and 117 pound crowns respectively, in the annual Four-I Tournament at Case Institute, Cleveland, Ohio. This marked the second successive year that Cummings has captured a Four-I title. In 1954, he won the 123 pound crown. Cario ended a highly successful collegiate wrestling career by competing in and becoming a semi-finalist in the 1955 National Collegiate Wrestling Championships held at Cornell University.



Sam Cario



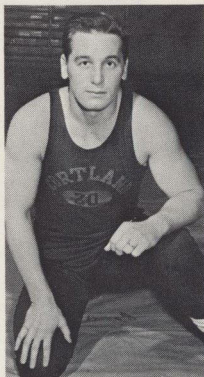
Dick Holborow



Bob Mahoney



John DiPompeo



Wade Cummings



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