

WRESTLING

The line-up for the initial wrestling match of the 1948-1949 season was bolstered by the return of six stalwart veterans of the undefeated octet of the previous campaign. Among the returning lettermen were Captain Rennie Curlew and Bill Hayden at 128 and 155 pounds respectively. Each entered the fresh season with an unblemished record from last year's competition. Both, however, were destined to be subdued during the ensuing encounters. Also among the varsity holdovers were Duane Huntley at 121 pounds, who left at the end of the term; the 136-pounder, Paul Hayden; Rennie Vail, clashing at 145; and Bill Sywetz, who took to the mats in the unlimited class. This year the grunt-and-groaners were under the tutelage of Gardner E. "Tully" Wells who replaced Roy B. Clogston. The new Larry mat mentor coached at Mohawk College before coming to the Hill.

The locals won the first match from Champlain College 24-10, but were not so fortunate in the next two outings. A strong Sampson squad gained a 16-16 tie and the following week the visiting Cortland Teachers handed the Scarlet and Brown its first setback in ten postwar meets with a 20-10 thumping. There was one more loss along the eight-game route when the St. Lawrence matmen engaged two enemies on consecutive evenings and fell victim to the powerful Ithaca club, 27-3 on the second leg of the two-meet journey. When a squad suffers only two setbacks, however, it can hardly be considered unsuccessful. In the next match, the team beat Queens to a 24-5 score and then ended the season with a second match with Champlain which ended in a 15-15 tie. Despite the loss of Huntley, Joe Crotty, and the Hayden brothers, greater conquests are expected of the remaining team members along with several prominent jayvee wrestlers who will probably be called to fill the gap next year.

First Row: Manager Cackener, Lee, Curlew, P. Hayden, Crotty, W. Hayden, Manko. *Back Row:* Trainer Littlejohn, Vail, Savage, Sywetz, Scott, Farrington, Coach Wells.

