

Syracuse Wrestlers Potent in Heavier Weights

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The upper weight strength of Syracuse is almost as imposing as the power of Lehigh in the lower weights.

And if the Engineer lightweights (see Tuesday's Journal) falter in the annual EIWA

SYRACUSE — Syracuse mat coach Ed Carlin said today that all his injured wrestlers would be available for this weekend's Easterns. He added that Terry Haise would drop from 130 to 123, and that Jim Murrin would wrestle at 137. Haise has been out with a bum elbow. Other "cripples" apparently back in good health are 177-pound Tom Schlendorf (ankle) and 191-pound Gerry Everling (knee).

championships Friday and Saturday at Barton Hall, and if Army, Navy, Penn State, Cornell and Pittsburgh knock each other off in the middle weights, Bill Orange could surprise with a "late show" drive.

Its last four weights are manned by Lew Roberts, Tom Schlendorf, Gerry Everling, and Jim Nance.

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The quartet is dangerous and should get help from 123-pound Terry Haise and 137-pound Jim Murrin, both veteran Eastern place-winners. Injuries and the late football (Sugar Bowl) season ruined Syracuse's dual meet record.

Nance is the overwhelming favorite for a third straight heavyweight crown.

He's only lost once in any kind of collegiate competition—at Barton Hall last year in the NCAAs — and Big Jim should again prevail. John Illengarth of Lehigh, unbeaten except for a 2-1 loss to Iowa State's Steve Shippos, is a threat and is favored to make the finals.

Other possibilities are Bruce Jacobsohn of Pennsylvania, Guido Carloni of Navy, and Paul Goble of Rutgers.

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The Orange hopes at 191 rest

on the on-again- off-again knee problems of Everling.

EIWA runnerup Steve Speers of Temple is favored. But the rest of the field is relatively even, and a healthy Everling would stand as good a chance as the rest, including John Nichols of Navy and Tom Abraham of Army.

Schlendorf, Long Island soph,

BETHLEHEM, Pa. — Lehigh wrestling coach Gerry Leeman revealed today that he was sticking with his regular lightweight trio of Mike Caruso at 123, Joe Peritore at 130, and Bill Stuart at 137, and that he would save Rich Warke for the NCAAs, where he'll probably start at 115. Leeman also said that Harley Ferguson would stay at 167, rather than drop to 157.

is one of three favorites at 177.

He has beaten two-time EIWA champ Gerry Franzen of Navy twice this season. Le Hall of Pittsburgh is unbeaten except for draws with Schlendorf and Fran Ferraro of Cornell. Long shots include Ron Geiser of Rutgers and Bob Arvin of Army.

It's going to be tough to dis-

lodge EIWA champ Marty Strayer of Penn State at 167. Roberts was third at 177 last year. He's been involved in two drawn-out, controversial bouts so far this year in Ithaca—a draw with Ed Michael of Ithaca College and a 3-2 win over Cornell's Ferraro, who is also a possibility for points at 167.

There is some confusion as to who'll wrestle at 157, and who'll go at 167.

Harley Ferguson (7-3-2) of Lehigh has been at 167 all year, but could drop to 157. Dave Palmer of Navy has had his moments—good and bad—at 167.

Ken Haltenhoff of Yale usually goes at 167, but occasionally wrestles at 157. John Welch of Rutgers is a 167 threat.

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Jeff Stephens of Cornell is among the top 157 choices.

Tom Baily of Pittsburgh, Brian Small of Colgate, and either Jerry Seaman or Roger Olesen of Penn State are other probable contenders.

The two day event begins at 1 p.m. Friday, with the quarter-finals at Barton Hall that evening slated for 8. There will also be two rounds Saturday, at 12:30 p.m., and at 8.