

Review of the 1922 Season

The 1922 wrestling season has again proved the popularity of the sport at Cornell. 170 men registered for wrestling at the beginning of the season, and included in this number were several veteran grapplers. Members of the 1921-22 team in four classes returned, as well as several substitutes. The two lightest classes were well provided for by Roberts and Captain Ackerly, and Wright and Hanson were prepared as usual to meet all comers in the heavier divisions. It remained for Coach O'Connell to develop men for the intermediate classes. How well he succeeded is evidenced by the well-balanced aggregation that went through a schedule of seven dual meets with but one defeat, and that at the hands of Penn State, 1920-21 intercollegiate champions.

The season opened at home during Junior Week, with McGill as Cornell's opponent. The Varsity wrestlers had little difficulty in securing a 26 to 4 victory, winning everything except the 145 pound bout. The feature of the meet was Hanson's feat of winning the 175 pound bout with a fall and then carrying away the honors in the heavyweight class on a decision.

The Varsity journeyed to State College for their next meet. In a contest that kept a record crowd of 2700 continually excited, Penn State nosed out the Varsity by a 16 to 9 score. It was a close struggle all the way, Penn State's greater experience finally proving to be the deciding factor. One of the high lights of the meet was Wright's victory over his 280 pound opponent in the heavyweight class.

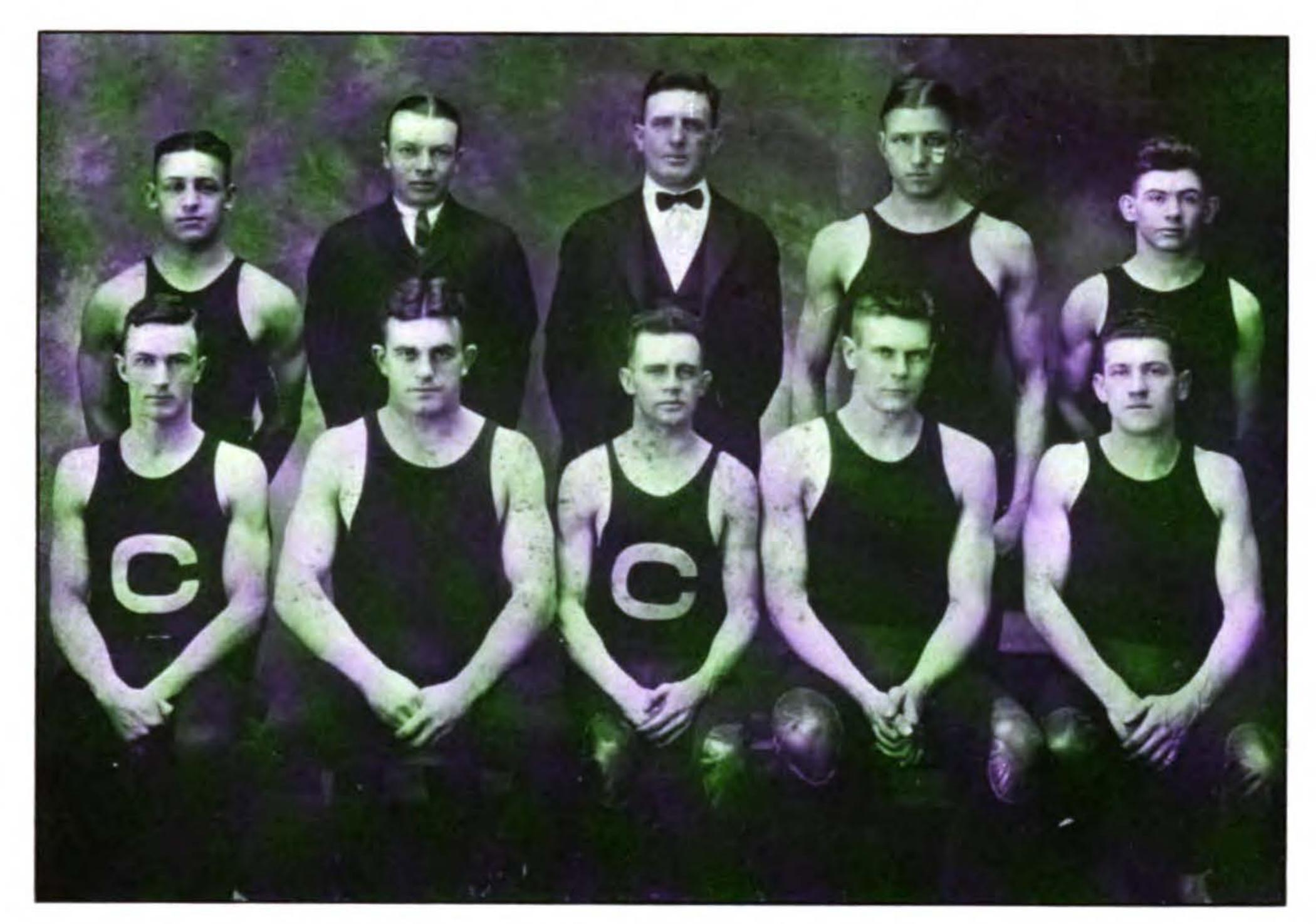
The following week Pennsylvania came to the Drill Hall and was defeated handily, the score being 18 to 11. The power of the Varsity was evident in this contest, as three of their four victories came from falls. In the next contest the Varsity defeated Lehigh 17 to 8. The meet was closely contested, three of the bouts going into extra periods.

Columbia was the next to fall before the Varsity. Cornell won, 15 to 6, in a meet which was decided entirely on decisions. Neither team had such a decided advantage in any class that it was able to register a fall.

The Syracuse meet, in which Cornell used five substitutes, resulted in a 19 to 10 victory for Cornell. This was Syracuse's first year of intercollegiate wrestling and their team, while green, put up a good exhibition. A strong alumni team, captained by C. D. Mackey '21 opposed the Varsity in the last dual meet of the season. The Varsity won, 9 to 8, mainly on account of their superior condition.

The prospects for next season are good. Not only will several of this year's squad be back, but the Freshman team, which made its debut this year, will furnish a number of likely candidates.

Due to late proof on this section we have the extreme pleasure and satisfaction of stating that the wrestling team, by a very high score, have done themselves the honor of becoming the Intercollegiate Champions of the season.



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INTERCOLLEGIATE CHAMPIONS.

1922 Wrestling Team

ROBERT SAUNDERS ACKERLY, '22		Captain
LAWRENCE WIBIRT HOYT, '22 .		Manager
WALTER C. O'CONNELL, '22 .		. Coach

TEAM

Featherweight Class-115 pounds	Welterweig
ROBERT SAUNDERS ACKERLY, '22	RALPH
Special Weight Class-125 pounds	JOHAN A
HENRY ALLISON ROBERTS, '23	Middlewei
DONALD MACDOUGAL HALLEY, '23	ERNEST
Lightweight Class-135 pounds	GEORGE
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Welterweight Class—145 pounds
RALPH CHARLES AYAU, '24
JOHAN ANDRIES GROENEWALD,'23
Middleweight Class—158 pounds
ERNEST VICTOR STRACK, '22
GEORGE HOYT FREER, '23
Light Heavyweight Class—175 pounds
LEONARD CHRISTOPHER HANSON, '23

Heavyweight Class—over 175 pounds Walter David Wright, '23

RECORD—DUAL MEETS

Cornell	26	McGill	4	Cornell	17	Lehigh	8
Cornell	9	Penn State	16	Cornell	15	Columbia	6
Cornell	18	Pennsylvania	11	Cornell	19	Syracuse	10
		Cornell	9	Alumni	8		