



**SOUTHERN TIER CHAMPS** — Southwestern Central School's wrestlers repeated as champions of the Southern Tier Conference and Mike Coon, third from left rear, emerged with a sectional title. Front from left, Ed Sanderson, Lee Christenson, Bill Wilbur, Paul Higbee, Don VanStee and Tom Todaro. Rear, Chris Lundgren, Brian Hinsdale, Coon, Jack Nobbs, Krifty Swan, Don Dawson and Ron Borst. —Post-Journal Staff photo

## Trojans' Coon In Inter-Class Wrestling ★

By **BOB BRINK**

Southwestern's Mike Coon will be the lone bearer of local hopes in tomorrow's Inter-Class Wrestling Tournament at Buffalo.

Coach Clarence "Flash" Olson's Section VI, Class A champion (157-lb.) will be one of two Southern Tier Conference entries in his weight class and one of 14 expected to make the trip from league schools.

Erie County Tech's Sports Arena, off the Depew thruway exit, will house the event, beginning around 1 p.m. and continuing at 7 p.m. with the consolation and finals.

Section VI winners will journey as a team to Walt Whitman High, Long Island, for the N.Y.S. Championships, March 5.

### Four Straight Pins

Coon was a standout in the recent Class A sectionals at Southwestern, traveling the pin route through all four matches.

Larry Steinbar of Cattaraugus Coach Jay Mitchell's Class B-C champs is the other 157-lb. candidate. Steinbar and teammate Bert Nagel (136) have won everything in sight so far—dual meets, the sectionals and the Holiday Tournament.

Mitchell also boasts quantity, with three others making the trip: Fred Wilder (106), Tom Prusinowski (123), and Bill Salisbury (heavyweight).

Salisbury, however, and Silver Creek's Chuck Cornwall

A capsule look at the Southern Tier candidates follows:

### Cattaraugus

106—Wilder, 7-1, league meets.  
123—Prusinowski, 6-3, league.  
136—Nagel, unbeaten all the way.  
157—Steinbar, unbeaten all the way.

Hvy—Bill Salisbury, unbeaten except for X-Mas tourney.

### Gowanda

130—Parish, 12-1-1, dual meets.  
141—Hall, 11-1-1, dual meets.  
148—Josephson, 12-0-1, dual meets.  
183—Witherell, 11-1-1, dual meets.

### Pine Valley

130—J. Lucas, 8-0-1, dual meets.

168—Besse, 7-3, dual meets.

### Silver Creek

115—Cornwall, 11-1, dual meets.

141—Carlson, unbeaten all the way.

### Southwestern

157—Coon, 9-1, dual meets.

both came down with the virus recently. They will likely compete but won't be in top form.

### Two-Time King

Silver Creek's Tom Carlson, another without a blemish on his record, will also accompany Coach Tom Prindiville. The two-time 141-lb. sectional champ won 11 straight in dual meets this season.

Coach Ernie Bareham of Gowanda's Class A champs takes four representatives: Howard Parish, Wayne Hall, Dave Josephson and Tim Witherell.

The only mar on Josephson's record is a league-match draw with Salamanca's Dave Greene. Witherell avenged his only loss in league action when he pinned Southwestern's top-seeded Krifty Swan in round two of the sectionals for what Bareham called "the turning point."

Gowanda as a team, incidentally, came within three points of a perfect season. Southwestern was twice the culprit, handing the Panthers their only conference defeat, by one point, and edging them in the Christmas tourney by two.

### Won't Make Trip

Sitting out tomorrow will be Pine Valley's Rich Lucas (148), who earned the right to compete but won't because of a work commitment. Ironically, his brother Jim missed last

year's event because of a bout with hepatitis. Franklinville's Ron Mark replaces Rich.

Jim, the 112-lb. sectional champ a year ago, will battle in the 130-lb. division this time while Rollin Besse enters the

168-lb. bracket for Coach Larry Duckwall.

Among the "surprise" absentees, along with Swan, will be PV's Tom Butcher and SWC's Ron Borst both injured in the sectionals.

## Jim Norris, Hockey Club Owner, Dies

CHICAGO (UPI)—James D. Norris, co-owner of the Chicago Black Hawks and one of the wealthiest men in professional sports, died early today at Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital. He was 59.

Norris, who entered the hospital 10 days ago for treatment of coronary heart disease, died at 4:15 a.m., CST. His condition had been considered satisfactory until Wednesday evening, when it worsened.

Although hockey was his real love, Norris once headed the International Boxing Club and promoted 18 world championship boxing matches until the U.S. Supreme Court ordered his organization dissolved in 1959.

In addition to his interest in the Black Hawks, Norris was co-owner of Chicago Stadium, owned the hockey arena in St. Louis, Mo., and maintained an extensive farm and stable for breeding and racing horses known as Spring Hill Farms in Paris, Ky.

He is survived by his widow, Mary; a daughter, Suzanne, 15; two half-sisters, Mrs. Arthur Kneibler of Chicago and Mrs. John Riker of Palm Beach, Fla.; and a half-brother, Bruce Norris, owner of the Detroit Red Wings.

The only non-Texas member of the Southwest Conference is Arkansas.

## Amerks In Easy Win On Coast

By United Press International  
The leading scorer in the American Hockey League put on a good show in Los Angeles Thursday night.

Dick Gamble led the Americans' flashy No. 1 line as Rochester rolled to an 8-4 win in the only game in either the Western or American Hockey Leagues.

Gamble had two goals and one assist, Mike Walton one goal and three assists and Jimmy Pappin one goal and two assists. The trio has accounted for 93 goals in 53 games for Rochester.

## Sports Briefs

### SWISS, U.S. TIE

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (UPI)—The United States and Switzerland battled to a 3-3 tie in an exhibition hockey game Thursday night.

### MOLTERER LEADS

WINDHAM, N.Y., (UPI)—Australian Anderl Molterer, former Olympic medal winner, surpassed 17 others competing in the special slalom Thursday in the World professional Skiing Championships.

### PLANS OPEN TOURNEY

PARIS (UPI)—Raymond Rodel, honorary president of the French Lawn Tennis Federation, announced plans Thursday to organize an open tennis tournament at the Lys Sports Club next May.