

Schools Begin Section 5 Cha

— Moracco, Civitts —



Only Two Area Wrestlers Survive

Time worked against eight of the 10 Finger Lakes conference wrestling semi-finalists, Saturday, as only Jack Civitts of Mynderse and Dave Moracco of Geneva managed to survive a disastrous day.

Moracco, Geneva High Captain, maintained his record of not being

scored upon and not losing a match in two years as he scored a 5-0 decision over Pete Frey of Corning Free Academy.

Civitts, the only representative from the Finger Lakes to gain through time advantage, edged Larry Harwood of Hornell, 9-8.

But for the rest, it was disaster.

Geneva's three other unbeaten wrestlers lost their first matches.

Phil Choffin, defending Section 5 120 pound champ, lost a 5-4 decision when Don Wilder of Corning got an extra point for time advantage (to get a point, the wrestler must be in control of his opponent for more

than 1 minute during the match on an accumulative basis).

Chuck Wilkison, who had been unscored upon until the quarterfinals last week, lost his unbeaten status when LeRoy Boenner of Hornell scored a 5-2 victory.

And Dick Rosenthal dropped a 5-0 match when he wasn't able to wrestle up to par.

Moracco, who was unable to wrestle in the early part of the season because of a feared leaky heart valve, now has won 26 straight matches in two seasons. He will be seeking his second straight championship. Last year, he won in the 133 pound class but moved up to the 138 pound division this year.

— Spine-Tingler —

Romulus Upsets Odessa, 55-54, For Lakes Region Playoff Trophy

By Joe Trainor

OVID — Could be that the Romulus Warriors have finally hit their peak, and it comes at a very opportune time.

After losing to the Odessa Indians twice during the regular season, the Warriors proved themselves on the eve of the Section 5 tournament by upsetting the dope sheet with a 55-54 win over Odessa in the Lakes Region conference playoff championship game.

This was the second straight year the Warriors have won the Darwin P. Norton trophy which gives them a monopoly on the event which is only two years old.

The Warriors started in early and in three minutes were out in front 11 to 3. At the end of the quarter, the count stood 17 to 7. Odessa had scored but one field goal and five foul shots.

In the second period, the complexion of the game changed and the Schuyler county tossers improved their shooting eyes for five baskets. They were almost invincible at the foul line and took advantage of ten calls against Romulus to register 15 to 18 tosses at the charity line. By its spurt, Odessa closed the Romulus edge to one point on a 28-27 score.

Early in the third quarter, Floyd Bennett, towering center, drove in for a basket putting his team ahead for the first time in the game.

While the Warriors kept hammering away at the basket, the Odessa Indians maintained the lead for six minutes. Lew Hicks

registered a two pointer to knot the count but Joe Seager was quick to offset it with another basket and the period ended 39-37 in Odessa's favor.

The buzzer had scarcely sounded to start the last quarter when Logan Watson made a toss for a double for a 39-39 reading. In the changed hands four times. With one minute left, Romulus had gained a seven-point advantage, 55-49. Fred Ray, who has a good side shot, sank one, Bennett dunked a pair, and Joe Seager added a foul point to bring the Odessa team up to a one point deficit.

Both teams were weakened in the last minute with Watson and Fred Kaufman bowing out on five fouls and a similar fate befalling Odessa's Al Bulkley and Ray.

With Odessa in possession, eight seconds loomed on the clock. In the desperate drive down court Joe Seager was fouled. The crowd was mute as Seager stepped to the line in a try which could spell victory for Odessa. However, the ball hit the rim.

The Odessa coach called for a time out. The clock listed three seconds as the ball was tossed up for the jump and time was used up on a tap out of bounds.

In the preliminary for consolation honors between the Trumansburg Blue Raiders and the Dundee Scotsmen, in which the Raiders emerged 52-49 victors, was also a seat tingler.

Dundee drew a commanding lead in the opening minutes and held a 16-11 edge at the first whistle mainly on Howard Haff's are in sinking free ones and Phil Davis's four net swishers. In the second period, Del Borden lived up to his reputation for good vision from the

T-BURG (58)		CONSOLATION		DUNDEE (49)	
G	P	G	P	G	P
Champion	0 0 0	J. Davis	2 0 4		
Millspeugh	0 0 0	Haff	3 7 13		
Osborne	5 1 11	Strait	0 0 0		
Marble	0 4 4	P. Davis	9 3 21		
Borden	8 0 16	C. Depew	2 1 5		
Saunders	0 0 0	Hall	3 0 6		
Worden	1 2 4				
Kish	5 0 10				
Malone	1 0 2				
Oresorie	0 0 0				
Elder	2 1 5				
TOTALS	22 8 52	TOTALS	19 11 49		
Score by quarters:					
Trumansburg	11	15	14	14	52
Dundee	16	8	12	13	49

Hobart Loses 4th Mat Test

Led by two Geneva High graduates, the Oswego wrestling team handed Hobart College its fourth straight defeat of the season, 33-5, Saturday night.

Pat Augustine at 147 pounds and Bill Brown at 157 pounds, both of Geneva, scored victories. Augustine, Laker co-captain, pinned Bob Thornley in 1:39 while Brown decided Bill Hanwit, 8-0.

Hobart's Henry Schmerler was the only winner for the Statesmen, pinning Jim Burdekin in 3:12.

The Statesmen will wind up their season by entertaining the University of Rochester at 8 p.m. Rochester defeated Hobart in an earlier match.

- 133 pounds — Henry Schmerler (H) pinned Jim Burdekin (O). Time — 3:12.
- 130 pounds — Pete James (O) pinned Jim Stirling (H). Time — 1:22.
- 137 pounds — Dillon Maier (O) pinned Fred Hartman (H). Time — 2:30.
- 147 pounds — Pat Augustine (O) pinned Bob Thornley (H). Time — 1:39.
- 157 pounds — Bill Brown (O) decided Bill Hanwit (H), 8-0.
- 167 pounds — Allan Chace (O) decided Ralph Bott (H), 3-1.
- 177 pounds — Tom LaClair (O) pinned Dick Tierney (H). Time — 2:35.
- Heavyweight — Joe Farmer (O) pinned John Metcalf (H). Time — 4:00.

Both Marchionda boys from Penn Yan, Larry and Gordon, were eliminated. Larry dropped a 5-2 decision while Gordon was another time advantage victim, losing 4-3. Ken Maloy, the third Penn Yan representative, was pinned in 5:28.

The two other Mynderse wrestlers, Bill Crough and Bill Willis also lost. Crough joined Choffin and Gordon Marchionda, losing on time advantage while Willis dropped a 5-3 decision.

The two Webster wrestlers, who beat out Finger Lakes foes in the quarterfinals, survived with John Elter winning at 112 pounds and Roy Hiller copping the 145 pound mark.

The winners move into the finals slated for Corning Free Academy next Saturday night. Losers will move into the consolation round for third place. These matches will start at 7 p.m. with the finals set for about 8:30 p.m.

- The summary:
- 85-pound class — Jack Civitts, Mynderse, decided Larry Harwood, Hornell, 9-8.
 - 103-pound class — Bill Cover, Wellsville, decided Larry Marchionda, Penn Yan, 6-5.
 - 112-pound class — Johnny Elter, Webster, decided Jess Gillian, Corning Northside, 3-0.
 - 120-pound class — Dan Wilder, Corning Free, decided Phil Choffin, Geneva, 5-4.
 - 127-pound class — Aukie Cavaletti, Hornell, decided Gordon Marchionda, 4-3.
 - 133-pound class — LeRoy Boenner, Hornell, decided Chuck Wilkison, Geneva, 5-2.
 - 138-pound class — Dave Moracco, Geneva, decided Pete Frey, Corning Free, 5-0.
 - 145-pound class — Ray Hiller, Webster, decided Larry Cook, Corning Free, 3-0.
 - 154-pound class — Don Levatovich, Corning Free, decided Dick Rosenthal, Geneva, 5-0.
 - 165-pound class — Tommy Brockway, Corning Northside, decided Bill Crough, Mynderse Academy, 5-4.
 - 175-pound class — Ray Johnson, Corning Free, decided Bill Willis, Mynderse Academy, 5-3.
 - Unlimited class — Stan Gridley, Corning Northside, pinned Ken Maloy, Penn Yan. Time, 5-28.

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