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Coach Dan Gable's Iowa wrestlers are in pursuit of a record ninth-straight NCAA title, but it's no cinch. Inside, a look at the top three matmen in each bracket, including profiles of Hawkeye No. 1 seeds Marty Kistler and Duane Goldman. Also, Oklahoma coach Stan Abel has some fiery things to say about the state of the sport.

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KELLY TIRES

Abel claims rules making sport boring

'Give wrestling back to wrestlers,' says Sooner

By Jeff McKinney
The Press-Citizen

You're a wrestling fan and you've sprung 50 or 60 bucks for tickets to the NCAA championships, which began today at Carver-Hawkeye Arena, plus a couple hundred more for travel, lodging and the best entertainment on the Iowa River.

Well, Oklahoma coach Stan Abel thinks you might not get all the action you've paid for.

No, not because he thinks Iowa is going to walk away with the team title for a record ninth time, though that might happen. Abel thinks what you're going to see may not be all it could be because the officials won't get out of the way.

"I think they ought to give wrestling back to the wrestlers and take it away from the rules people and what (the rules people) have inflicted upon the officials," Abel said at a press conference Wednesday.

Despite what Abel called better teams the past five or six years at Oklahoma, wrestling attendance at his school has steadily declined. He said a main reason is that rules have made the sport boring.

And who enforces those rules?

"Officials. I believe the reason the appeal to the fan has gone down is because they don't come and pay their money to see an official. And that's really what it's evolved to," Abel said. "They're watching that man in the red and white shirt, and the two athletes are really inconsequential to the outcome."

Continued Abel: "This guy dictates what's going to happen. Not that it's his fault, and I guess I'm the world's worst about getting on the officials." (Iowa coach Dan Gable, sitting next to Abel at the press conference, allowed a thin smile at this point, apparently confirming Abel's self-assessment.)

"But," Abel said, "I don't agree that's the main show. It used to be that the most blessed thing you could say about an official was that he was invisible. Today they command everything."

The result, he said, is clones — factory produced wrestlers who are forced, by rules that make riding and



STAN ABEL

I guess I'm the world's worst about getting on the officials'

escapes lost arts, to all utilize the same style.

"They say, 'You wrestle this way,'" Abel said. "And a lot of times I'll walk out to an official and I'll say, 'You're asking a kid to do something that you couldn't do . . . Hey, can you do that? Can you turn this guy over? Can you pin him? Can you do all these things?'"

Abel said the rules have stripped the wrestlers of their individualism, their personality. He recalled the days when a 6-foot, 118-pounder would go against an opponent 5-foot-2.

"You'd see this guy over here wanting to use his body, his agility, his balance, his strength, his whatever leverage versus a short, stubby guy that could bench lift 350 pounds," Abel said. "And (the winner) was always amazed about how it came out, because he was left to his own ingenuity about how to win a match."

"Let the wrestlers come back to their own personalities, take this (clone) style and throw it out, and I say forget 'er," Abel said. "Let the athletes get out there and command the show."

Abel said the rules he disagrees with have been passed by "a lot of incompetents."

"A lot of coaches can't keep up, so they restrict the individuality, personality of the athlete," he said. "I

don't want to see one style of wrestling, an Abelism, or Gableism, or Lorenzoism — I want to see Tomism, and Johnism, and whomeverism back in there."

Gable said he agreed wholeheartedly with individualism. In fact, it's one of the strengths of his program at Iowa (see story on next page on Duane Goldman). But he said Abel might be a year out of step.

"Last year in Oklahoma (City), the big beef going into the tournament for the first day or two was about officials," Gable said. "The coaches really jumped on them, accused them of favoritism and too much control."

"So last year, after the season was over and the rules committee met, they threw out all stalling criteria," he added. "They (have) made the move already. The referee can go back (to the way it was), he can call it, or he doesn't have to call it. He calls it as he sees it."

But, Gable pointed out this is only the first year of the rule revisions, and officiating wouldn't change overnight. But it is a move in the right direction, he said.

"It's just a matter of transforming back into that situation where officials don't have to call stalling in certain situations," he said. "This was (Abel's) beef last year, and he still hasn't seen enough of a change. But things just don't go flip-flop one way or the other in one year unless, all of a sudden, they made rules again for the referee — which they didn't, they took rules away."

And about the way wrestling used to be?

"In some of the old-style wrestling — and he wrestled before me — they used to let me lay on top of a guy for two and three and four minutes a match — with no action," said the man who went unscored upon in the 1972 Olympics. "I was always working for the fall, but a lot of people weren't."

"People see a high school match, and most high school kids can't control another high school kid anyway," Gable said. "But if he can, he just lays on top of him in a regular ride situation for two minutes without either guy doing anything. To me, that's boring."

'85 champ Douglas is happy to defend

By Jeff McKinney
The Press-Citizen

In the Feb. 3 issue of *Amateur Wrestling News*, Oklahoma's Melvin Douglas is listed as the top-ranked wrestler at 177 pounds — a position not unexpected of a returning national champion.

But in every other issue previous to that this season, Douglas' name is conspicuously absent. In the Jan. 20 issue, Iowa's Rico Chiapparelli was listed as the mid-season No. 1, while Wayne Catan from Syracuse had been the magazine's preseason No. 1 pick.

Douglas was missing from the pre- and mid-season rankings because *Amateur Wrestling News* editor Ron Good and almost everyone else associated with collegiate wrestling thought Douglas had used up his four years of eligibility, according to NCAA rules.

It turns out Douglas, his coach Stan Abel and the rest of the Oklahoma staff though he had redshirted his first year, since he had participated in less than 20 percent of the school's meets, as required. But the NCAA rules mandated that in order to redshirt, one could not compete past a specified January cut-off date. Douglas had wrestled several times after that date. It seemed, then, his freshman year was not a redshirt year, but in fact was his first year of competition.

This past January, however, the NCAA Eligibility Committee, revised the rule by omitting the January date.

Douglas was given a second life. He was once again eligible.

"Oh, yeah," said Douglas, the tournaments No. 1 seed at 177, Wednesday afternoon as he prepared to defend his title. "I feel like I'm getting a second life and I'm getting my year back. They gave me another shot at another title."

Douglas said he didn't especially keep in shape while waiting for the NCAA rule to change. "I kind of kept semi-in shape," he said. "When I got my year back, I got in shape."

Actually, said Douglas, "I'm in better shape (now) because I knew I had to work harder because I only had half a season to get ready."

How did Chiapparelli feel when he saw Douglas' name reappear?

"I was shocked," said Chiapparelli, the tournament's No. 3 seed, Wednesday. "I never thought he'd get his eligibility back. I thought he was gone."

"It means I ought to get to wrestle him again," Chiapparelli said. "He beat me pretty bad last year, but I got him pretty well the year before."

NCAA WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP RECORDS

MOST VICTORIES, TOURNAMENT (Championship Bracket)

6 — Twice: Dale Anderson, 137-pounds, Michigan State, 1967-68; Jason Smith, 167-pounds, Iowa State, 1969-70; Mike Frick, 134-pounds, Lehigh, 1975-76; Darryl Burley, 134-142-pounds, Lehigh, 1979-83; Jim Zalesky, 158-pounds, Iowa, 1983-84.

6 — Once: Tie among 36 wrestlers, 1968-85.

MOST VICTORIES, CAREER (Championship Bracket)

20 — Lee Kemp, 150-158-pounds, Wisconsin, 1975-78, one defeat; Darryl Burley, 134-142-pounds, Lehigh, 1979-81, 1983, two defeats; Jim Zalesky, 158-pound, Iowa, 1981-84, one defeat.

19 — Ed Banach, 177-190-pounds, Iowa, 1980-83, one defeat.

18 — Pat Milkovich, 126-134-pounds, Michigan State, 1972, 1974-76, two defeats; Mark Churella, 150-167-pounds, Michigan, 1976-79, one defeat.

MOST FALLS, TOURNAMENT (Pinned All Opponents)

5 in 13:52 — Chris Taylor, Hwt, Iowa State, 1973.

5 in 18:34 — Howard Harris, Hwt, Oregon State, 1980.

5 in 19:17 — William H. Koll, 147.5, Northern Iowa, 1948.

5 in 19:43 — Bruce Kinseth, 150, Iowa, 1979.

5 in 20:59 — Dan Gable, 137, Iowa State, 1969.

MOST FALLS, CAREER (Championship Bracket)

13 — Dan Gable, 130-137-142, Iowa State, 1968-70, three decisions, one defeat.

11 — Dan Hodge, 177, Oklahoma, 1955-57, two decisions.

MOST CONSECUTIVE FALLS, CAREER (Championship Bracket)

10 — Dan Gable, 130-137-142, Iowa State, 1969 (5), 1970 (5).

8 — Dan Hodge, 177, Oklahoma, 1955 (1), 1956 (4), 1957 (3).

KISTLER

A soon-to-be teammate once discovered Marty's weakness, and Iowa's NCAA champ learned the hard way to stay intense

minated his bright career before he could hone his talents under Dan Gable's tutelage.

"I've got a bad wheel," Kistler said, slapping the inside of his right knee.

When Kistler was a junior at Notre Dame High School in Riverside, Calif., he "blew out" the interior cruciate, a ligament on the inside of the knee, in a wrestling match.

"I hurt it pretty bad . . . the doctors mucked up, and now I just don't have one," he said with a shrug of his shoulders.

Then, in 1981 at the Junior Nationals, which were held in the Iowa fieldhouse, Kistler met future teammate Duane Goldman in the last qualifying round of the 154-pound weight class — and Goldman got to Kistler's bad wheel.

"I took him down 20 seconds into the first period," Kistler said. But, he added, "we'd carried off the mat, so the ref moved us back to the center."

Kistler, however, was getting pretty tired at that point, having just finished the Greco-Roman competition before starting in freestyle.

"So I took my time and was just standing there kind of stiff-legged when the ref blew his whistle," he said. "It was a quick whistle, but Duane was ready and shot in — and my knee went again."

Kistler finished the match, but lost to Goldman, 2-1. Afterwards, his knee swelled to the size of a ripe cantaloupe, and "they wrapped it in a cast, and sent me home."

Goldman proceeded to lose his quarterfinal match to another future Hawkeye, then-high school junior Rico Chiapparelli, who won the event by pinning his semifinal and final opponents in 34 and 20 seconds — one of whom was Kevin Jackson.

But for Kistler, there was only pain.

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By Jeff McKinney
The Press-Citizen

Iowa's only returning NCAA champ almost was anything but that.

Marty Kistler won the national championship at 158 pounds last year when he beat Penn State's Greg Elinsky, 4-3, in the finals at Oklahoma City.

Today, Kistler is beginning an assault on the 167-pound title. He has been the top-ranked wrestler in the nation all year. At 32-1, his only loss this season came to Iowa State's Kevin Jackson in the Northern Open finals early in December.

Yet, Kistler has a weakness. One that almost ter-

GOLDMAN

After losing last year's final he hurled a garbage can through a plate glass window; now, he says, 'I've got a new attitude'

By Jeff McKinney
The Press-Citizen

For the next three days, a handful of the best wrestlers in the nation are confronted with a problem with which there may be no solution — how to beat Duane Goldman, Iowa's top-ranked, top-seeded, undefeated 190-pounder.

If anyone knows the answer, you would think it would be Goldman, but even he is not certain. "I'm not really sure what I'd do," he said. "I know that I'd know I was in for a match for the full seven minutes."

That start-to-finish effort is one trait that has made Goldman what he is. The other Goldman trademark: "I hate to lose."

Combine them, and the result not only spells trouble for opponents, but also points to why he is wrestling for Iowa and not some other team.

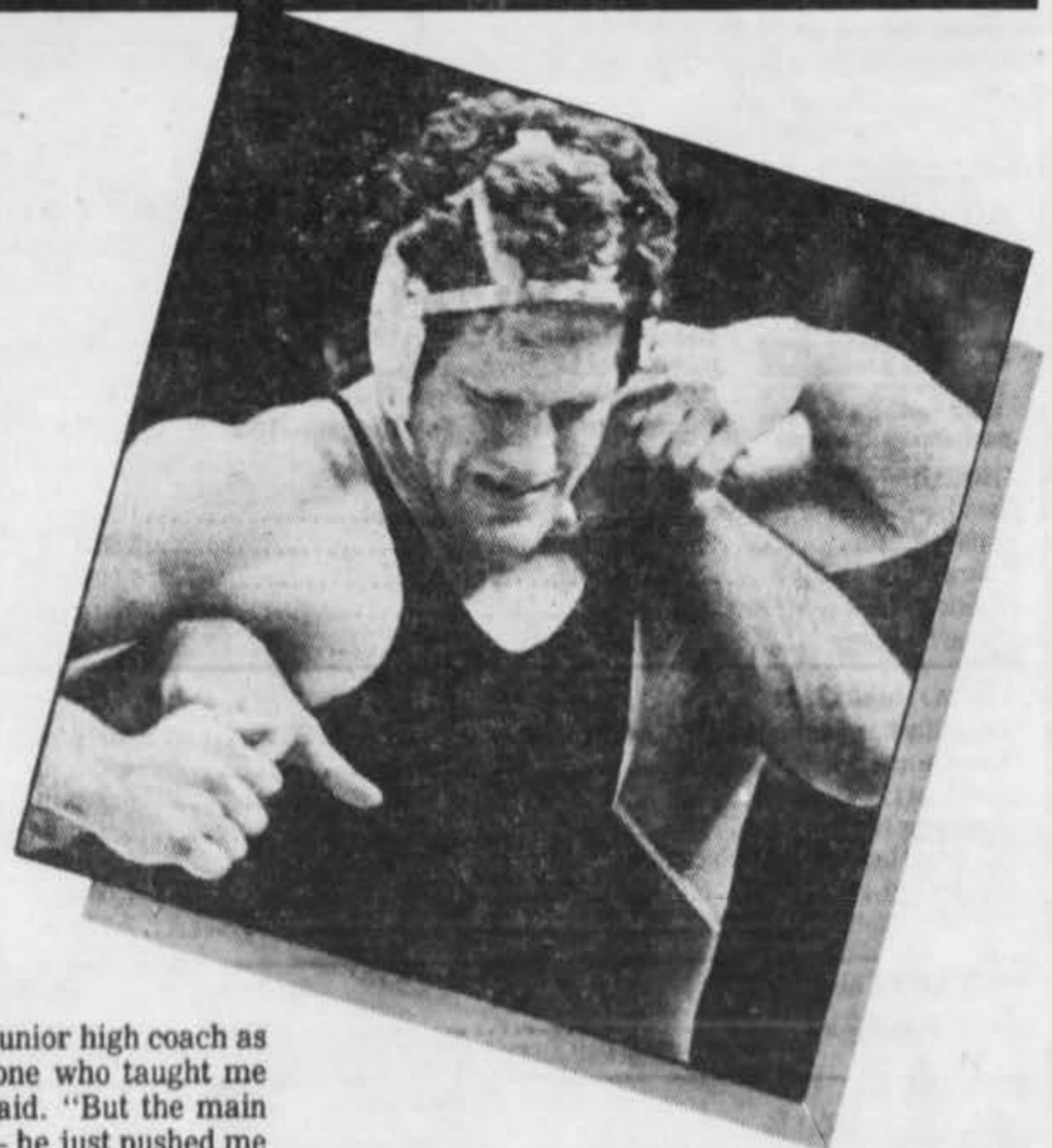
Goldman's father, Henry, got him started wrestling when he was in fourth grade, showing him moves, teaching him the rules and building an ethic. "Really the only coach I ever had was my dad. He

wasn't my high school coach or junior high coach as such, but he was basically the one who taught me everything I know," Goldman said. "But the main thing that really stuck with me — he just pushed me real hard and taught me to work real hard and not give up."

"He wanted and expected me to win in high school, and I expected myself to win also."

It showed. He went 85-2 at Cheyenne Mountain High School in Colorado Springs, winning the 126-pound state championship as a sophomore, finishing second as a junior, and winning at 142 as a senior.

Ironically, winning became such an obsession, it almost caused him not to come to Iowa, the school that has now won eight straight NCAA team championships.



"I wasn't sure I wanted to come here because I wasn't really sure I could make it," said Goldman who was recruited as a wiry, 150-pounder. "I didn't want to sit out a year, and I wasn't sure I could make the team."

So he looked at a lot of other schools — including Oklahoma, Nebraska, Oregon — but when it came time to sign, "I just convinced myself that if I wanted to be the best I could be, this is where I had to come," he said.

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Kistler's strength is his strength

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"I didn't panic when I hurt it against Duane," Kistler said. "But when I (had) hurt it the first time, I panicked . . . the doctor told me I'd never wrestle again."

Fortunately for Kistler, and the rest of the Iowa wrestling team, the doctor's diagnosis was overstated. The knee injury has, however, affected Kistler's wrestling style and what he thinks about.

"It hinders me in some situations, so I've got to stay out of them and be more of a control-type of wrestler. Like, I can't shoot from five feet away, I can't get that push-off power," he said.

"If I get lackadaisical, someone might get too big a piece of it, so I'm pretty intense," he said. Then, he added with a laugh, "My strength is, uh, my strength."

Even though he says he no longer notices the knee, he is aware of the reality, the possibility, of further injury.

"(I think about injuries) all the time," he said, dropping out of his usual, off-the-mat-and-light-hearted



MARTY KISTLER
"Personally, I'm asking for more time"

mode. "That knee, a shoulder injury, that would bother you — or a neck. You need all those joints or you can't wrestle too much.

"You can wrestle around your injuries if you stay out of things," he said, explaining that if your neck is hurt, and you're up against someone who has a good front headlock, you pull your head in instead of sticking it out. Then an opponent can't get hold of it.

"It's a sport where you can have a lot of injuries, but they don't always (sideline) you," Kistler said.

Having put the knee injury behind him, though not necessarily out of mind, the Iowa senior is now looking to become a two-time national champion. And he wants it so bad, he's not certain he's ready.

"Personally, I'm asking for more time. It's winding down here at the end," he said. "There were times when I wished it came, but now I'm hoping . . . oh, I need more time."

Kistler said he is not worried any about particular wrestler in the NCAA tourney, "I'm just going to do my best. Just train a little bit more."

"You'll never be quite ready for this," he said. "I've learned there are 25 people in the tournament, and you can't worry about all 25 of them."

1985 TEAM STANDINGS

Iowa	145 1/2
Oklahoma	98 1/2
Iowa State	70
Oklahoma State	56
Michigan	52
Arizona State	50 3/4
Penn State	46 3/4
Tennessee	32 1/2
Lehigh	31 1/2
Bloomsburg	31
Cal Poly-SLO	30
Wisconsin	29 1/4
Syracuse	29
Kent State	27 1/2
Temple	26 1/2
Princeton	23 3/4
Louisiana State	22
Northern Iowa	21 1/2
North Carolina	19
Hofstra	18 1/4
Illinois State	18
Youngstown State	17 1/2

TOURNEY SCHEDULE

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WEIGHT BY WEIGHT

Can Bloomsburg's Rick Bonomo repeat at 118? Why is defending national champ Joe Gibbons only seeded third at 142? And will Iowa's Duane Goldman finally finish first? Take a look at the top three seeded wrestlers at each weight in this weekend's tourney and decide for yourself.



118

LAST YEAR

1. Ricky Bonomo (Bloomsburg)
2. Matt Egeland (Iowa)
3. Dan Horning (Kent State)
4. Joe Melchiorre (Oklahoma)
5. Mark Perry (Oklahoma State)
6. Paul Kreimeyer (Northern Iowa)
7. Alfred Castro (Utah State)
8. Dave Crisanti (Princeton)

RICK BONOMO

Bloomsburg



No. 1 seed, junior, 23-3-0. Defeated Iowa's Matt Egeland 17-3 to win 118 title in '85. Eastern Wrestling League champion.

ED GEISE

Minnesota



No. 2 seed, senior, 49-3-1. Two-time Big Ten champion. Redshirted last year.

JOE MELCHIORE

Oklahoma



No. 3 seed, sophomore, 29-8-1. Dropped from 126 in midseason. Fourth at 118 in '85 meet. Won Big 8 title by defeating Iowa State's Perry Summitt, 10-9.

ALSO SEEDED

4. Jim Martin (Penn State)
5. Alfred Castro (Utah State)
6. Tim Wright (S. Illinois)
7. Al Palacio (North Carolina)
8. Dave Crisanti (Princeton)
9. Tony Cotroneo (Syracuse)
10. Mark Schwab (Northern Iowa)
11. Jeff Bowyer (James Madison)
12. Paul Kapper (Cleveland State)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Mark Clayton (Wisconsin)
Wallace Dawkins (Nebraska)
Jim Lovebvre (Arizona State)
Mark Sanfilippo (Purdue)
Earl Snyder (Drake)
Perry Summitt (Iowa State)
Will Waters (Michigan)
Eddie Woodburn (Oklahoma State)

126

LAST YEAR

1. Barry Davis (Iowa)
2. Joe McFarland (Michigan)
3. Wade Hughes (George Washington)
4. John Lucerne (Rider)
5. Steve DePetro (Northwestern)
6. Cordel Andersen (Utah State)
7. Rob Johnson (Louisiana State)
8. Gary Bairos (Arizona State)

ALAN GRAMMER

Southern Illinois-Edwardsville



No. 1 seed, senior, 21-1-0. Won Division II title, first at 134 in Division II in '84. Finished third at 134 in Division I in '85.

BILL KELLY

Iowa State



No. 2 seed, junior, 30-5-1. Won Big 8 title 12-3 over Cook of Nebraska. Beat Iowa's Penrith 5-2 in dual.

BRAD PENRITH

Iowa



No. 3 seed, sophomore, 8-1-0. Won Big Ten title with 11-0 win over Northwestern's DePetro. Became eligible at semester and won wrestle-off from Paul Glynn.

ALSO SEEDED

4. Cordel Andersen (Utah State)
5. Nick Milonas (Montclair State)
6. Steve DePetro (Northwestern)
7. Tim Flynn (Penn State)
8. Rocky Bonomo (Bloomsburg)
9. Dennis Semmel (Army)
10. Harry Richards (Central Michigan)
11. Dan Horning (Kent State)
12. Mark Sodano (N. Carolina State)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Jon Anderson (Drake)
Cory Baze (Oklahoma State)
Gary Bairos (Arizona State)
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Scott Hinkel (Purdue)
Dan Lovelace (Missouri)
Pat Pickford (Northern Iowa)
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JIM JORDAN
Wisconsin



No. 1 seed, senior, 44-3-1. Defending champ at this weight after finishing sixth in '84. Won by forfeit over Iowa's Randall for Big Ten title.

GREG RANDALL
Iowa



No. 2 seed, junior, 23-6-0. Finished fifth last year at nationals; second in '84 NCAA meet. Big Ten runner-up last two seasons.

PAUL CLARK
Clarion



No. 3 seed, junior, 20-1-0. NCAA qualifier in '85. Won Eastern Wrestling League after finishing third a year ago.

ALSO SEEDED

- Nick Neville (Oklahoma)
- Tim Cochran (Tennessee)
- Steve Stearns (S. Illinois)
- Andre Miller (Wilkes)
- Rob Johnson (Ohio)
- Tom Hutchinson (Appalachian State)
- Kyle Neillis (Pittsburg)
- Dave Schneiderman (N. Carolina State)
- Leo Bailey (Oklahoma State)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Nate Allison (Northern Illinois)
Marty Anderson (Northern Iowa)
Leo Bailey (Oklahoma State)
Phil Callahan (Illinois)
Jeff Gibbons (Iowa State)
Pat Fitzgerald (Indiana State)
Rob Johnson (Ohio U.)
Dan Matauch (Michigan State)
David Ray (Edinboro)
Gil Sanchez (Nebraska)

LAST YEAR

- Jim Jordan (Wisconsin)
- John Smith (Oklahoma State)
- Alan Grammer (SIU-Edwardsville)
- John Fisher (Michigan)
- Greg Randall (Iowa)
- Mark Ruettiger (Eastern Illinois)
- Terry Lauver (Shippensburg)
- Tim Cochran (Tennessee)

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KEVIN DRESSER
Iowa



No. 1 seed, senior, 29-2-1. Big Ten champ last two years. Advanced to NCAA quarterfinals in '85. Defeated Yozzo 15-11 in dual this season; decisioned and drew with Gibbons.

PETER YOZZO
Lehigh



No. 2 seed, junior, 30-3-1. Third at this weight in '85 NCAAs, beating Dresser in consolations, 12-9. Two-time Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association champ.

JOE GIBBONS
Iowa State



No. 3 seed, senior, 17-3-1. Surprise 5-2 loser to Oklahoma State's Luke Skove in recent Big 8 meet. Two-time Big 8 champ and won NCAA title at this weight last year. Fourth at '84 NCAAs.

ALSO SEEDED

- Luke Skove (Oklahoma State)
- Mike McNaney (Wyoming)
- Jack Effner (Indiana State)
- Mike Cole (Clarion)
- Len Bernstein (North Carolina)
- Scott Cardwell (Oregon State)
- Amaro Lamar (Appalachian State)
- Ken Brison (San Jose State)
- Greg Wright (Edinboro)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Len Bernstein (North Carolina)
John DeHart (Indiana)
Joe Lilovich (Purdue)
Chris Marisette (Nebraska)
Joe Reynolds (Oklahoma)
Kurt Shedenhelm (Northern Iowa)
Dave Zohoransky (Cleveland State)

LAST YEAR

- Joe Gibbons (Iowa State)
- John Orr (Princeton)
- Pete Yozzo (Lehigh)
- Kevin Dresser (Iowa)
- Lew Sondgeroth (Northern Iowa)
- John Effner (Indiana State)
- John Giura (Wisconsin)
- Scott Wiggen (Stanford)

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TIM KRIEGER
Iowa State



No. 1 seed, sophomore, 26-0-2. Big 8 champ, pinning Oklahoma's Darrin Higgins in final. Redshirted last year, but was 20-5-0 wrestling unattached. Defeated Heffernan once and drew with him once this year.

JIM HEFFERNAN
Iowa



No. 2 seed, junior, 28-2-1. NCAA runner-up a year ago; fourth in 1983 national meet. Three-time Big Ten champ.

CHRIS BEVILACQUA
Penn State



No. 3 seed, senior, 9-0-1. Fourth at NCAA meet last year, losing by default to Oklahoma's Higgins. Won last three Eastern Wrestling League titles.

ALSO SEEDED

- Adam Cohen (Arizona State)
- Jeff Mills (Central Michigan)
- Joey McKenna (Clemson)
- Ken Neillis (Clarion)
- Darren Higgins (Oklahoma)
- Scott Turner (N. Carolina State)
- Bob Kaufman (Edinboro State)
- Scott Duncan (Indiana)
- Vince Silva (Oklahoma State)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Mike Arena (Hofstra)
Bryan Barratt (Glassboro State)
Adam Cohen (Arizona State)
Darrel Creps (Ohio State)
Dan Majewski (Northern Iowa)
C.J. Mears (Lehigh)
Keith Presley (E. Illinois)
Mike Rosman (Northwestern)
Keenan Turner (Nebraska)

LAST YEAR

- Eddie Urbano (Arizona State)
- Jim Heffernan (Iowa)
- Darrin Higgins (Oklahoma)
- Chris Bevilacqua (Penn State)
- Dave Holler (Illinois State)
- Ken Haselrig (Clarion)
- Luke Skove (Oklahoma State)
- Rob Koll (North Carolina)

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GREG ELINSKY
Penn State



No. 1 seed, junior, 35-1-2. Lost 4-3 to Iowa's Marty Kistler in last year's NCAA title match. Two-time Eastern Wrestling League champ.

BILL TATE
Iowa State



No. 2 seed, junior, 21-3-0. Won Big 8 title 11-4 over Oklahoma's Johnny Johnson. Split with Iowa's Alger in duals.

ROYCE ALGER
Iowa



No. 3 seed, sophomore, 27-4-2. Big Ten champ, defeating Ohio State's Jude Skove 5-2 in final. Backup to Marty Kistler a year ago.

ALSO SEEDED

- Johnny Johnson (Oklahoma)
- Rob Koll (North Carolina)
- Jude Skove (Ohio State)
- Ken Haselrig (Clarion)
- Marvin Seal (Oregon State)
- Pat Huyck (Cal-Bakersfield)
- Ardeshir Asgari (Cal-Fullerton)
- Jim Gressley (Arizona State)
- Mark Richman (Wisconsin)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Jeff Clutter (Northern Iowa)
Jeff Coltvet (Nebraska)
E.C. Cotton (Illinois State)
Angelo Cuzalina (Oklahoma State)
Mike Hahesy (Edinboro)
Dave Lilovich (Purdue)
Chris McFarland (E. Illinois)
Brett Rasmussen (Minnesota)
Marco Sala (Hofstra)
Tom Tierney (Navy)
Chuck Updegraff (Indiana State)

LAST YEAR

- Marty Kistler (Iowa)
- Greg Elinsky (Penn State)
- Dave Ewing (Iowa State)
- Dave Lilovich (Purdue)
- Tom Draheim (Arizona State)
- Ernie Blazeff (Michigan State)
- Bill Dykeman (Oklahoma State)
- Glenn Lanham (Tennessee)

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LAST YEAR

1. Chris Edmond (Tennessee)
2. Pete Capone (Hofstra)
3. John LaViolette (Oklahoma)
4. John Monaco (Montclair State)
5. Lindley Kistler (Iowa)
6. Mike VanArsdale (Iowa State)
7. Kevin Jackson (Louisiana State)
8. Tad Wilson (North Carolina)

MARTY KISTLER
Iowa



No. 1 seed, senior, 32-1-0. Won '85 NCAA title at 158 with 4-3 decision over Elinsky. Runner-up to Kenny Monday (Oklahoma State) in '84. Three-time Big Ten champion.

DARRYL POPE
Cal State-Bakersfield



No. 2 seed, junior, 38-3-2. Division II champion. Redshirted last year after finishing fifth in Division I meet in '84.

MARK VAN TINE
Oklahoma State



No. 3 seed, senior, 26-4-2. Big 8 champ, defeating Oklahoma's LaViolette 2-1 in final. Transferred after LSU dropped program.

ALSO SEEDED

4. John LaViolette (Oklahoma)
5. Mark VanArsdale (Iowa State)
6. Terry Manning (Wisconsin)
7. Eric Brugel (Penn State)
8. Fred Little (Fresno State)
9. Tad Wilson (North Carolina)
10. David Lee (Stanford)
11. Nate Carter (Clarion)
12. Pat Gibson (Oregon State)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Scott Diveney (Drake)
 Danny George (Ohio State)
 Kevin Kahl (Temple)
 Brad Lloyd (Lock Haven)
 John Myers (Nebraska)
 Ozzie Porter (E. Illinois)
 Kerry Ritrivi (Lehigh)
 Rod Sande (Minnesota)

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LAST YEAR

1. Melvin Douglas (Oklahoma)
2. Wayne Catan (Syracuse)
3. Booker Benford (SIU-Edwardsville)
4. Roger Sayles (Cal Poly-SLO)
5. Rico Chiapparelli (Iowa)
6. Tom Kolopus (Arizona State)
7. Doug Dake (Kent State)
8. Bob McCurdy (Shippensburg)

MELVIN DOUGLAS
Oklahoma



No. 1 seed, senior, 12-0-1. Became eligible Jan. 13 (see page 4). Won six matches, including final 3-2 over Syracuse's Catan, in claiming last year's NCAA title. Beat Catan 7-3 in this year's all-star meet. Two-time Big 8 champ.

WAYNE CATAN
Syracuse



No. 2 seed, senior, 28-0-0. NCAA runner-up to Douglas last year. Two-time Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association champ.

RICO CHIAPPARELLI
Iowa



No. 3 seed, junior, 28-0-0. Two-time Big Ten champ. Fifth at NCAAs in '85. Qualified for nationals in '83.

ALSO SEEDED

4. Marvin Jones (Cal-Bakersfield)
5. Dan Mayo (Penn State)
6. Jim Beichner (Clarion)
7. Mark Tracey (Cal Poly)
8. John Monaco (Montclair)
9. Jeff Weatherman (Northern Iowa)
10. Bob McCurdy (Shippensburg)
11. Tim Curry (Navy)
12. Mike Harter (Oregon)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Eyvind Boyesen (Lehigh)
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 Norm Corkhill (N. Carolina State)
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 Dave Mariola (Michigan State)
 John Major (Northern Illinois)
 Todd Moseley (Missouri)
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 Mel Robinson (Weber State)

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LAST YEAR

1. Dan Chaid (Oklahoma)
2. Duane Goldman (Iowa)
3. Paul Diekel (Lehigh)
4. Koln Knight (Augustana South Dakota)
5. Mark Cody (Missouri)
6. Jim Beicher (Clarion)
7. Mark Tracey (Cal Poly-SLO)
8. Ryan Western (Weber State)

DUANE GOLDMAN
Iowa



No. 1 seed, senior, 30-0-0. Three-time NCAA runner-up, twice at 177. Only losses to collegians since 1983 have been in national finals. Four-time Big Ten champ.

PAUL DIEKEL
Lehigh



No. 2 seed, senior, 26-1-0. Third at NCAAs last year; sixth in '84. Lost 7-2 to Goldman in dual. Transferred in '82-'83 from Oklahoma. Three-time Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association champ.

DAN CHAID
Oklahoma



No. 3 seed, senior, 38-3-0. Defending national champ, having beaten Goldman 5-3 in last year's final. Won last two Big 8 meets, including 7-4 win over ISU's Eric Voelker two weeks ago.

ALSO SEEDED

4. Koln Knight (Augustana, S.D.)
5. Eric Volkner (Iowa State)
6. Scott Rechsteiner (Michigan)
7. Dave Cowan (Clarion)
8. Wade Ayala (Montana State)
9. Dave DeWalt (Delaware)
10. Jeff Smyth (Oregon State)
11. John Bragg (Wyoming)
12. Mike Lombardo (N. Carolina State)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Doug Baker (Kent State)
 Kevin Carlson (Indiana State)
 Mark Coleman (Miami, Ohio)
 Dan Costigan (Army)
 Tracey Davis (North Carolina)
 Mike Farrell (Oklahoma State)
 Joel Greenlee (Northern Iowa)
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 John Pryzbyla (Michigan State)
 Lelan Rogers (Syracuse)
 Fritz Stratton (Nebraska)
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LAST YEAR

1. Bill Hyman (Temple)
2. Kirk Trost (Michigan)
3. Rick Brunot (Youngstown State)
4. Steve Seftter (Penn State)
5. Darryl Petersen (Iowa State)
6. Kahlan O'Hara (Oklahoma State)
7. Rod Severn (Arizona State)
8. Al Sears (SIU-Edwardsville)

TOM ERICKSON
Oklahoma State



No. 1 seed, junior, 37-1-1. Big 8 champ, defeating Nebraska's Albright 4-0 for title. Transferred from Triton. Also spent time at University of Dubuque.

GARY ALBRIGHT
Nebraska



No. 2 seed, senior, 37-3-1. Big 8 runner-up. NCAA qualifier a year ago.

KIRK TROST
Michigan



No. 3 seed, senior, 38-6-0. Big Ten champ. Three-time NCAA qualifier; lost in finals last year.

ALSO SEEDED

4. John Heropoulos (Iowa State)
5. Bernie Brown (Lehigh)
6. Jim Nielson (Idaho State)
7. Dean Hall (Edinboro)
8. Bill Nye (West Virginia)
9. Mark Tatum (Oklahoma)
10. Wendell Ellis (Washington State)
11. Lee Getz (Rutgers)
12. Tom Reese (Maryland)

ALSO IN THE FIELD

- Kirk Butryn (Clarion)
 Stacey Davis (North Carolina)
 Steve Grimet (Illinois State)
 Garratt Keith (N. Carolina State)
 Tony Koontz (Northern Iowa)
 George Kovach (Drexel)
 Bryan McCracken (Illinois)
 Bill Paxton (Indiana)
 John Place (Penn State)
 Andy Schwab (Syracuse)
 Norries Wilson (Minnesota)
 Emanuel Yarborough (Morgan State)

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The man who beat Dan

Owings defeated Gable, but never reached top again

By Craig Smith
Special to the Press-Citizen

Wrestling is dead at the University of Washington but the legend of Larry Owings survives. So does Owings, 35, an industrial-arts teacher in suburban Portland.

It has been 16 years since Owings did what *The Chicago Tribune* trumpeted as "one of the most unforgettable moments in the history of the sport and possibly all sport."

Owings defeated Dan Gable of Iowa State 13-11 to win the NCAA's 142-pound championship in 1970. Gable, a senior competing in his final college match, had been undefeated in seven years and 181 matches of high school and college wrestling. Gable never would lose again, including in the 1972 Olympics when he was unscored upon on his way to a gold medal.

For the past 10 years, Gable has been head wrestling coach at the University of Iowa and has led the Hawkeyes to eight straight NCAA team championships. In 1984 he coached the U.S. Olympic team on which seven of the 10 wrestlers won gold medals.

Gable's determination has made him a near-mythical figure. *Sports Illustrated* wrote in 1984: "Never has there been an individual in any sport more dedicated to total excellence."

Washington football coach Don James likes to use Gable as the classic example of commitment. Husky players say James tells them how Gable used to get out of bed and do pushups in the middle of the night just because he knew his opponents were still in bed.

Gable today says the story isn't as good as it sounds. "It's not a lie," he explained, "but it's more a case that if I had trouble sleeping, I would get up and work out rather than just lay there."

Owings was a 19-year-old sophomore from Hubbard, Ore., when he upset Gable. It was the highlight of his career and a pinnacle he never reached again. He lost in the NCAA finals as a junior and a senior.

Gable avenged the 1970 defeat at the 1972 Olympic Trials. Using tactics he describes as "rather cautious" because of the upset two years earlier, he beat a wrestling-weary Owings 7-1. The victory, says Gable, "got a burden off me."

Owings had planned to wrestle in a lighter class at the trials but failed to make the weight. He had a lot on his mind, too. He was unemployed and his wife was pregnant.

Gable said his 1970 defeat to Owings "definitely" made him a better wrestler. He said he thinks the victory may have wound up "hurting" Owings' wrestling career.

Owings concedes, "I never got up for the finals like I did that first time. That was part of the problem."

Another factor was the decision to marry after winning the title. He admits that, in the next two seasons, "I didn't spend as much time working out as I should have."



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It was Larry Owings of Washington, not Iowa State wrestler Dan Gable who was the winner after this 1970 NCAA title match.

The 1970 victory, labeled a mixed blessing by Owings, also shoved the bashful kid from Oregon into a limelight where he never felt entirely comfortable.

"It was like rags to riches," recalls Owings. "I'm not a publicity seeker by any means. It was kind of hard to deal with that."

The deciding maneuver in the match came late in the third round. It was a take-down move on Gable's right leg that Owings never had used and never would use again.

"It was just one of those things that happens in wrestling," Owings recalled. "Sometimes situations present themselves in a certain way that you never run into again."

These days Owings is a 188-pound shop teacher and scoutmaster. He also owns a contracting business and is active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons), which he joined in 1983. He has two daughters from his first marriage and a stepson from his present marriage. He lives in an attractive home he built

himself just south of Portland. He is only a few minutes' drive from his parents' farm where he grew up as the youngest of five wrestling brothers.

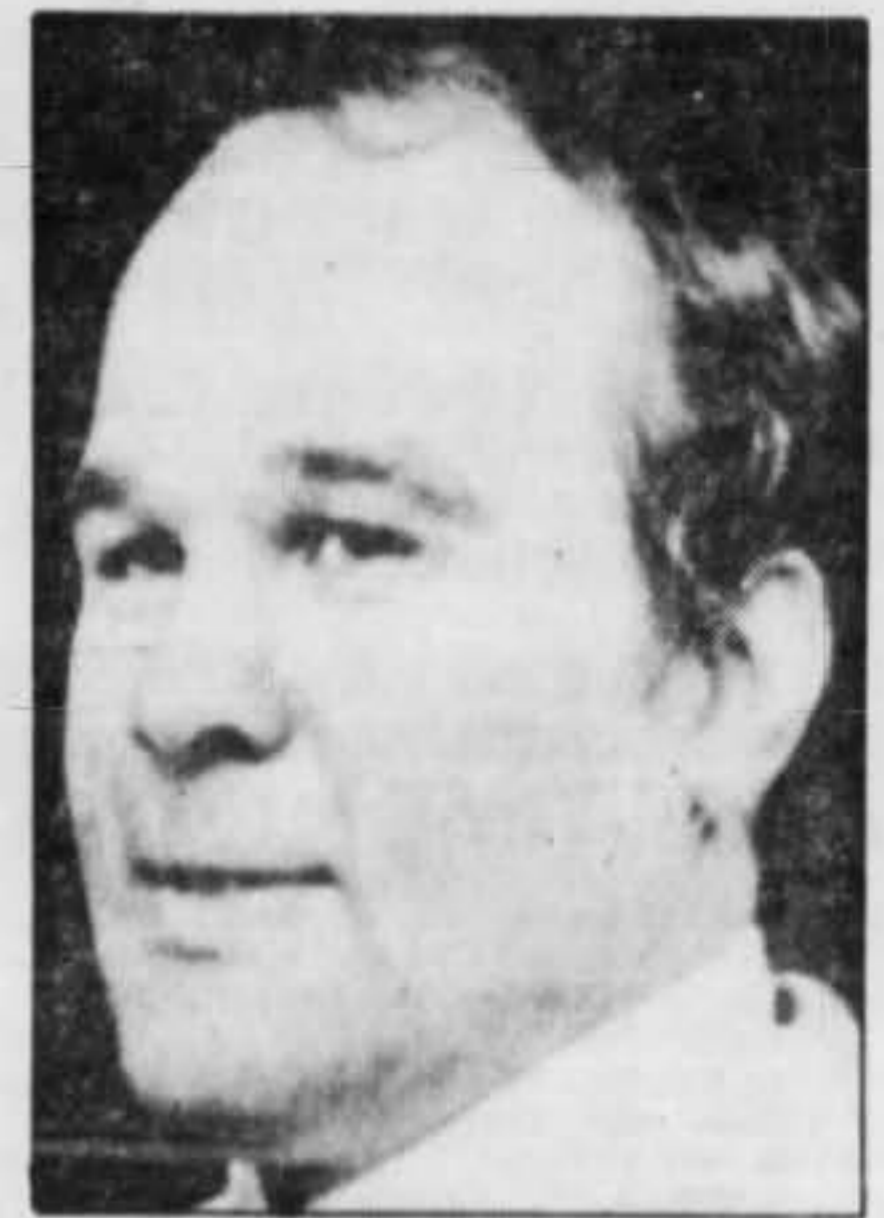
This is the first year in five Owings hasn't helped coach the Clackamas Community College wrestling team.

"This would have been my 21st year in wrestling," he said. "I've had enough. Someone younger can take it over now."

After graduating from Washington, Owings taught and coached wrestling at Sealth High for a year before losing his job when a levy failed. After stints as an ironworker, salesman and contractor, he got back in teaching and coaching in the late fall of 1976 at Oregon City High. He helped coach wrestling for a year then became a coach over at Clackamas when he was passed over for the head coaching job at the high school.

His second wife, Diane, is a fourth-grade teacher. The couple met at a square dance. Early in their courtship, he asked her if she liked sports.

"I told him there were only two



LARRY OWINGS

"Sometimes situations present themselves that you never run into again"

sports I couldn't stand — boxing and wrestling," Diane recalls. She said he told her he had "dabbled in wrestling."

One night when they were dating they attended a concert in Portland. A man approached them and asked, "Aren't you Larry Owings? Can I have your autograph?"

Diane's response: "Hey, I want to know more about this."

She got a closeup view of the sport 2½ years ago when Larry decided at age 33 he wanted to give the Olympics one last shot. Although he hadn't trained seriously since college, he began working out. The dream ended when a doctor diagnosed a chronic shoulder pain as arthritis.

"It wasn't that big a letdown," he said. "I roll with the punches."

It has been a long time since the triumph over Gable, yet a week doesn't go by when someone wants to talk to Owings about his NCAA championship-match win. Sometimes he is flattered by the attention, sometimes he finds it a nuisance. He often declines interviews. He has told people he wants to look forward, not backward.

In his religion and second marriage, he has found tranquility that eluded him before.

"I'm busier than I have been before," he explained. "I think I'm busier helping other people. That gives me more of a feeling of self-worth. It makes me feel good. Before there were just a lot of things that weren't going well in my life. It's peaceful now."

Owings' 1970 triumph marked the only time a Husky won an NCAA wrestling title. The program flourished his final two years, with the Huskies finishing fourth as a team at the 1972 NCAA tournament. That was the same year a crowd of 8,148 showed up at Edmondson Pavilion to watch the Huskies beat top-ranked Iowa State, 17-16. Owings beat his Iowa State opponent but the real hero that day was 230-

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Owings is man who beat Dan

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pound Don Dunham, who preserved the team victory by avoiding being pinned by the Cyclones' 390-pound Chris Taylor.

The UW dropped wrestling in 1980. The sport was a victim of budget-cutting at a time when Title IX pressure was being applied to upgrade women's sports.

"I thought it was a crying shame

they dropped wrestling," said Owings, who said he can't name a better sport for building character, stamina and strength.

Old fans of Washington wrestling can argue it's a crying shame, too, that Owings hasn't been admitted yet to the Husky Hall of Fame.


After all, it's hard to forget a guy who beat a legend.

This article first appeared in the Seattle Times.

THREE-TIME NCAA CHAMPIONS

- Dave Arndt, Oklahoma State (145-pound 1941-42, 136-pound 1946).
- Conrad Caldwell, Oklahoma State (165-pound 1929, 175-pound 1930-31).
- Nate Carr, Iowa State (150-pound 1981-83).
- Mike Caruso, Lehigh (123-pound 1965-67).
- Mark Churella, Michigan (150-pound 1977-78, 167-pound 1979).
- Barry Davis, Iowa (118-pound 1982, 126-pound 1983-85).
- Ross Flood, Oklahoma State (126-pound 1933-35).
- Larry Hayes, Iowa State (137-pound 1959, 147-pound 1960-61).
- Stanley Henson, Oklahoma State (145-pound 1937-38, 155-pound 1939).
- Dan Hodge, Oklahoma (177-pound 1955-57).
- Richard Hutton, Oklahoma State (Hwt. 1947-48, 1950).
- Jimmy Jackson, Oklahoma State (Hwt. 1976-78).
- Greg Johnson, Michigan State (118-pound 1970-72).
- Lee Kemp, Wisconsin (158-pound 1976-78).
- William Kohl, Northern Iowa (145-pound 1946-47, 147.5-pound 1948).
- Lowell Lange, Cornell College (136-pound 1947, 1949-

- 50).
- Wayne Martin, Oklahoma (135-pound 1934, 145-pound 1935, 134-pound 1936).
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- Joe McDaniel, Oklahoma State (118-pound 1937-38, 121-pound 1939).
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- Ed Peery, Pittsburgh (123-pound 1955-57).
- Hugh Perry, Pittsburgh (115-pound 1952-54).
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- Myron Roderick, Oklahoma State (137-pound 1954, 130-pound 1955-56).
- Mark Schultz, Oklahoma (167-pound 1981, 177-pound 1982-83).
- E. Gray Simons, Lock Haven (115-pound 1960-62).
- Yojiro Uetake, Oklahoma State (130-pound 1964-66).
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Goldman: 'Was it worth it?'

From page 5

"About the only thing I knew when I decided to come was that they just had a real hard work ethic. That's what I was used to and that's what I always did — that's why I came here," Goldman said.

Plus, wrestling for Iowa coach Dan Gable meant Goldman would have the freedom to do things his own way. "I didn't think I could wrestle for a program where they work on just solely a set style, like at Wisconsin where they

all just shoot single-legs.

"There wasn't an Iowa-style," Goldman said. "Gable just worked with each individual and tapped the potential of individuals in their own style and made them complete wrestlers while still letting them do what they knew how to do.

"And even if I didn't make the varsity team for three years, if I only made it my senior year, that year I'd be good enough to do really well."

Goldman redshirted his first season at Iowa, behind Chris Campbell, the

Hawkeyes' three-time All-American at 177 pounds. The following year, he stepped into the Iowa lineup at that weight and finished second in the NCAA meet. For the 1983-84 season, Goldman moved up to 190, and again was national runner-up.

But then winning, or more accurately, the hatred of losing, almost got him.

He entered last year's NCAA tournament in the position he now holds — top-of-the-heap. But for the third straight year, Goldman lost in the

finals, this time to Oklahoma's Dan Chaid, 5-3.


Losing a match he thought he could have and should have won upset him so much, he walked briskly off the mat, picked up a garbage can in the outer concourse of the Myriad Convention Center in Oklahoma City, hurled it through a plate glass window, and almost quit the only sport he truly loves.

"I was really frustrated," he said. "It took me most of the summer to really want to wrestle again.

"I asked myself, 'After all the time and effort I'd put into it, was it worth it all to feel the way I do right now?'

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And as the summer went on, I thought it's just not worth it."

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