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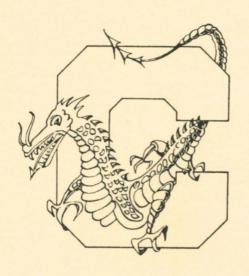
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CORTLAND GYMNASTICS



Winter Schedule 1971 - 72

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COLLEGE AT CORTLAND

Founded: 1868

Location: Cortland, New York 13045

Enrollment: 5,000

Colors: Red and White

Nickname: Red Dragons

President: Richard C. Jones

Director of Athletics: Francis J. Woods Tel. (607) 753-4102

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Athletic Memberships

NCAA--National Collegiate Athletic Association

ECAC--Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference

SUNYAC--State University of New York Athletic Conference

NYSCTFA--New York State Collegiate Track and Field Association

CNYLL--Central New York Lacrosse League Bill Tomik begins his 13th season as head gymnastics coach. A 1951 Cortland graduate, he received his master's from Syracuse in 1956 and his doctorate from Maryland in 1968. Before returning to Cortland, Bill coached and taught at Vestal Central High School, Hamilton College and Hamburg High School. As an undergraduate at Cortland he was an all-around performer on the varsity gymnastics team for four years and also played two years of varsity soccer. He has also coached soccer and lacrosse at the college level.

OUTLOOK

Last year's 9-3 dual record was the finest ever turned in by a State University College at Cortland gymnastics team but that was largely a senior squad, meaning that it looks to be a year for coach Bill Tomik, in his 13th season, to try and start building again.

The gymnasts lost some outstanding personnel through graduation, like Ron Coulson, Gary Drennan, Mike Martin and Jeff McGrath, and are also plagued by the fact that no less than five key performers from a year ago who are still in school are not presently out for the team for one reason or another. Which means that it will be a pretty thin and generally inexperienced squad.

A look at the six events finds the Dragons not nearly as strong as a year ago when they were consistently over 100 points in meets and set a school record of 130 points against Brockport. "Unless things change radically, I don't expect us to be over 75 points a meet right now," says Tomik. "We could be stronger second semester, however, if we get back some of the personnel not presently with us at this time. Right now we're pretty much relying on men who were our number four, five and six men last year. They're improving though and we should get stronger as the season goes along." The team concludes the season March 3 with the North Atlantic Gymnastics League Championships at East Stroudsburg.

Floor exercise appears to be the team's strongest event, led by improving Mark Schilling, a sophomore from Huntington Station who was always near the top in duals last year and could be a frequent winner this time around. Back-up strength come from Lee Tucker, a freshman from Ithaca who has looked good.

Last year side horse was a team strength but this year it is a thin event, with only sophomore Tom Stephenson, number three last year, a threat to score. Rings are also weak, compared to last year when Martin and McGrath were on hand, and the Dragons can look only to senior Jim Kenney for help here.

Coulson was Cortland's best-ever long horse performer but his absence will be abated somewhat by Schilling and Tucker. Though neither of the floor ex men are primarily vaulters, both have good potential in the event. Stephenson also adds some depth here.

The parallel bars are another event weakened by losses, but Tucker, one of the squad's all-around performers, is improving here, as is sophomore Duane Golden, lauded by Tomik for his fine attitude and willingness to work. He should improve a good deal with experience.

Horizontal bars were also strong a winter ago with Drennan, Coulson and McGrath, but must currently look for points from last year's four and five men, senior Steve Mallahan and Auburn soph Dave Bowen.

GYMNASTICS ROSTER Name Class Event Hometown High School Dave Bowen Free Ex., Heriz., V. Auburn So Gary Caliendo Vaulting Jr Peekskill Peekskill Dave Fritts Free Ex., Horse Jr Massapequa Massapequa Westhampton Beach Westhampton Bch. High Steve Fierro Sr Horse, Rings Duane Golden P.Bars, Horse So Norwich Norwich James Kenney Rings, Bars Sr Farmingdale Chaminade Steve Mallahan Bars, Rings Jr E. Islip E. Islip Charles Marsh Bars Jr Wyandanch Half Hollow Hills Ernesto Pagan So Rings New York Automotive So Free Ex., Vault, H. Huntington Station Huntington Station Mark Schilling Tom Stevenson Free Ex., Vault, H. Lake Ronkonkoma Sachem So Lee Tucker All Around Fr Tthaca Ithaca

Varsity Gymnastics Schedule

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Dec.	3	Oneonta	A 8:00
	8	Cornell/R. Stroudsburg	H 7:30
	11	Plattsburgh	A 11:00
	17	Queens/Slippery Rock	H 7:30
Jan.	28	CCNY	A 7:30
	29	U. S. Coast Guard	A 2:00
Feb.	5	Montclair/Farmingdale	H 2:00
	12	West Chester	A 2:00
	16	Ithaca	H 7:30
	23	Syracuse	A 7:30
	26	Brockport	H 2:00
Mar.	3	NAGL Championships	
		E. Stroudsburg	A