This Day in ASC History

March 11th, 1968 - ASC Wrestling Team wins 1st NAIA Wrestling Title Championship

Adams State Matmen End Top Year With NAIA Title

Adams State College capped a sensational wrestling season over the weekend by walking off with the 1968 NAIA championship in 3-day competition held at Alamosa.

Coach Frank Powell's Indians had sacked Rocky Mountain Conference and Mountain Intercollegiate Wrestling Assn. championships the previous two weekends.

Mike Stanley (137), Glenn Engle (177) and Nick Carollo (191) claimed individual titles, while Don Apodoca (167) and Rich Tamble (113) were runners-up in their respective classes.

The Indians totaled 106 points, far outdistancing second place Western State College, which tallied 77. Defending titlist Lock Haven, which nosed Adams State for the 1967 crown, finished seventh with only 33 points.

Championship results follow:

123 pounds—Cullen Carey, Platteville, Wis., def. Dick Tressler, Superior, Wis., 1-0 (overtime)
130 pounds—Doug Reubart, Northern, S.D., State, def. Craig Swenson, Silver Falls, Wis., 7-4.
137 pounds—Mike Stanley, Adams State, def. Ron Russ, Bloomburg, Pa., 3-0.
141 pounds—Mike Stannard, Omaha, def. Rex Stuvesant, Moorhead State, 4-2.
160 pounds—Wendell Hakanson, Omaha, def. Jim Blacksmith, Lock Haven, Pa., 4-1.
177-205 pounds—Glenn Engle, Adams State, def. Dennis Christianson, Morningside, 3-0.
191—Jick Carollo, Adams State, def. Mike Rybak, St. Cloud.

Younger won the 130-pound title and Beeson was runnerup in the heavyweight division.

California Poly was the team champion with 91 points, unseatting defending titlist Portland (Ore.) State, which finished second with 62 counters. Colorado Mines, with 137-pound Tom Baker decisioning two foes before losing in the quarterfinals, had four points.

Colorado, host to the 1968 Big Eight mat test, was fourth with 22 points as Oklahoma State and Oklahoma knotted for team honors with 91 tallies. Bob Justice, the only CU wrestler to gain the

Winners:

**Stanley, Adams State**

**Engle, Adams State**

**Carollo, Adams State**

**Apodoca, Adams State**

**Tamble, Adams State**

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OSU's Fred Fozard, the outstanding performer in the tournament, was decisioned 5-1 by OCU's Fred Fozard, the outstanding performer in the tournament, and the defending Big 8 and NCAA champion in the 177-pound class.