

**ER ENDS THE STREAK:** East Rochester coach Don Quinn chalked up another memorable coaching victory when his wrestling team stunned Olean Saturday night. The loss ended a 5-year, 55-meet win streak (longest in the state) for Olean, which also had been tied with Baldwinsville for No. 1 in the state rankings.

"To me, it wasn't quite as electrifying as some of the big matches we've had against Fairport or the teams up here, but it's quite a challenge for anyone to win at that place," Quinn said after ER's 24-23 win.

High school wrestling is a full-scale production in Olean. The match, part of a double-dual, was broadcast live on a local radio station and fans were standing in line at 2:30 to purchase tickets for the 6

... match between ER and Olean.

"When we rolled into town, all you heard every five minutes on the radio was 'Eat Em Up Huskies, Eat Em Up Huskies,'" Quinn said.

ER had the last word, however. Key wins by John Walczyk (105 pounds), Romeo Battazzi (119), Curtis Doreen (138), Dennis Essom (155) and Drew McGregor (167) set the stage for John Zito's 11-3 win over Kurt Stephans at 177. Zito was second in the state and Stephans was fourth last year at 167 pounds.

ER, ranked 12th in the state prior to the double dual, also defeated Buffalo's Sweet Home by a 33-16 score. Canandaigua, No. 4 in the state rankings, beat Sweet Home by 28-24 but lost to Olean by 26-19. ER (10-2), which lost back-to-back meets to Brighton and Canandaigua at midseason, is probably as good as any team in the state right now.

"We had two starters out of the lineup when we lost those two meets but I hate to cry and say that's the only reason we lost," Quinn says. "I'm sure we were comparing scores and wound up learning the hard way. You're going to lose some

when you wrestle the Canandaiguas and the Oleans but in the long run, it's only going to make your program better."