

December 11, 1943.

Mr. H. W. Bouck, Manager,
Chamber of Commerce,
Emporia, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Bouck:

I am not in any special hurry for my expense money to Emporia, but I thought since I had a small accident to my car - someone knocked the mud-guard off the fender - that if you wanted to take care of that expense inasmuch as I made no charge for the trip, I would let you.

I drove my own car which is a club sedan 1941 Buick, one of the biggest, and I know that I cannot travel for 6¢ a mile what with tires, gas and upkeep at the present time. I believe that by the time I get my car fixed, \$20.00 would not be out of line for the trip. I told someone at the Chamber that all he needed to do was to figure my car at 6¢ a mile both ways, but I certainly do not want to lose money on the trip nor do I want to make any money. However, I figure that this would be a fair arrangement under the conditions.

It was a great pleasure for me to make the trip to Emporia as I met so many of my old friends and enjoyed being with the fine group of people that I was thrown with that evening.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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December 15, 1943.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to write this letter testifying to William M. Elbl's efficiency in academics, athletics and general all around worth.

William Elbl had a fine academic record in high school, making A's and B's and participating four years in football, basketball, tennis and track at Sterling, Kansas, high school. He came to the University last year as a freshman, highly recommended. He has fulfilled all these expectations. He has kept his studies here at the University up to the same high standard that he had in high school.

He made the Dean's Honor Roll here in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and this year he transferred to the School of Engineering, majoring in chemical engineering.

While here as a freshman he went out for basketball and made a fine record. He was out for varsity basketball this year, and in addition to his academic and athletic work he has earned a good portion of his way through college. He worked for me in the towel supply room and I found him at all times dependable, cooperative and pleasant. He has the ability to make friends and at the same time he is punctual in all his appointments. He is clean, resourceful and capable. I am happy to recommend him to you without reservation.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

November 3, 1943.

Mr. Fred Ellsworth,
Secretary,
Alumni Association.

Dear Fred:

I have noted paragraphs 4, 6, 7 and 9 and have taken care to see that the stage will be seated. We will make arrangements regarding the basketball game, but you had better have somebody collect the money at the gate or else ask Earl Falkenstien if he will supervise that part of it and turn the money over to you. He has roll tickets and can police the thing properly.

We will conform to your every wish and I believe we will have a fine turn out. Notify me if there are things that you desire further.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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HOMECOMING COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting October 28, 1943. Alumni Office

Present: Jackie Meyer, chairman
Margaret Butcher Lillard
Art Benner
Ruth Krehbiel
Paula Reeve
George Hedrick
Russell Wiley
Fred Eblsworth

2 Moved By Russell Wiley and seconded by George Hedrick: that there should be a Homecoming Queen this year, that the chairman of this committee should select a committee to work out plans and details for choosing the queen, presenting her and all such details. Carried. Discussion among the committee resulted in choice of the following committee:

3 Lieut Randolph Niel, chairman
K W Davidson
Margaret Butler Lillard
Art Benner
Paula Reeve

4 It was announced that a basketball game between the varsity and the ASTP would be available for the evening before the Homecoming game. All agreed such would be a fine feature and favored working the remainder of the program around it and between halves. It was informally decided to start the game at 7:30 p.m. present the queen candidates, coaches and representatives of the football team between halves, and to arrange a big bonfire after the game outside.

5 Committee on arrangements for the Friday evening program was chosen as follows:

6 Ruth Krehbiel, chairman
Russell Wiley
George Hedrick
Fray, Johns
De F C Allen

7 Moved by George Hedrick and seconded by Margaret Butcher Lillard, that a charge of 10¢ per person be made for the Friday evening game and activities, except to service men in uniform who will be admitted free. Carried.

8 Jay Jones are to sell tickets for the Friday night game and program.

9 The committee requested that Dr Allen have stage seats for the game in view of the many soldiers and sailors expected in addition to the crowd of civilians.

10 Mr Hedrick was asked to investigate possibility of having an exhibit of military equipment, including squadrons of fighter and bomber planes, tanks etc etc. The committee preferred planes to tanks if not both.

11 Adjournment to meet on call.

Signed

Fred Eblsworth
Secretary,

EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY
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ROCHESTER, N. Y.

November 30, 1943

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Department of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

This will acknowledge your friendly note dated November 26 and the enclosed copy of your letter to Mr. Maddock. It is extremely agreeable to hear from you again after such a long lapse of time, and I sincerely trust that everything is arranged the way you like to have it. Mr. Maddock assures me he is taking care of your request for still pictures which will go forward within a day or two.

Yours very truly,

EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY



K. R. Edwards, Manager

Informational Films Division

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RICHARD B. STEVENS, '25, President
1123 Louisiana St., Lawrence, Kansas

FRED ELLSWORTH, '22, Secretary,
Alumni Office, Lawrence, Kansas

K. S. ADAMS, fs'21, Vice-President,
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

HOME COMING COMMITTEE

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION of the UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

PUBLISHER OF THE GRADUATE MAGAZINE

HEADQUARTERS—ROOM 2 FRANK STRONG HALL

LAWRENCE, KANSAS

November 22, 1943

Dr. F. C. Allen
Robinson Gymnasium
Campus

Dear Dr. Allen:

The committee in charge of the Homecoming arrangements wants you to know how much we appreciate your fine contribution to the whole successful series of activities over the past weekend.

Nobody else would attempt to do all the things you take on and nobody else could do each one of them so well.

Cordially,

HOME COMING COMMITTEE

by Jackie Meyer
Chairman

by Fred Ellsworth
Secretary

DIRECTORS

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RAY S. PIERSON, '23, Burlington

CLARENCE MCGUIRE, '29, 922 Oak, Kansas City, Mo.

October 21, 1943.

Lieut. Curtis Emery,
Office of Physical Training Officer,
Headquarters Selman Field,
Monroe, Louisiana.

Dear Lieutenant Emery:

I am happy to have your inquiry of October 14th concerning Goal-Hi, and am glad to send you the enclosed pamphlets.

The Goal-Hi equipment is sold by the Fred Medart Manufacturing Company, and I am asking them to have their salesman contact you. I understand many of the Army and Navy training centers are finding the game a wholesome part of their physical training.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Enc.

cc - Fred Medart Mfg. Co.,
St. Louis, Mo.

HEADQUARTERS SELMAN FIELD
OFFICE OF THE PHYSICAL TRAINING OFFICER
MONROE, LOUISIANA

14 October 1943

Dr. F. C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Some of our students in the physical training classes have mentioned your game of Goal-Hi to us. I have been wondering if you would mail me the booklet explaining the game with particulars on purchasing equipment and all. Any other information that you may have to help us with this game will be appreciated.

Curtis Emery
Curtis Emery
2nd Lt. Air Corps

KC/CE

September 27, 1943.

Lieut. Lawrence Ely,
Athletic Director,
U. S. Naval Air Base,
Olathe, Kansas.

Dear Lieutenant Ely:

We have been endeavoring to purchase a cargo net for our obstacle course. Feeling that you would know the source of supply of these I thought I would write you. Of course, the University wants to purchase this, and I realize that we could not get any from the government, but we do have trainees here that would permit us to get a priority requisition for this.

What I desire to know is - who makes them, what firm or corporation? Our Navy personnel is also putting in for one for their own benefit, but we desire one for our civilians and enlisted men. I will appreciate very much any information you can give me.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

September 9, 1943.

Mr. Fred Ellsworth,
Alumni Association.

Dear Fred:

Thank you very much for the "Then and Now"
cartoons, which we are happy to include in our next
Jayhawk Rebounds letter. This is a clever idea, and
I know the boys will enjoy it.

Cordially yours,

FGA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

January 13, 1944.

Mr. Fred Ellsworth,
Alumni Association.

Dear Fred:

I find that the obstacle course of Gonzaga University, as pictured in *The First Aider*, is one that we had already seen. A couple of months or more ago we asked Poco Frazier to work on a project for us so that we could print views of our obstacle course, but I guess Poco has been too busy to do anything about it.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Dr. Allen -

This is the same thing you gave Poco
Frazier to work on - a couple of month ago.

AH



U. S. NAVY PRE-FLIGHT SCHOOL
ATHENS · GEORGIA

Jan 28, 1944

Ed. J. Ellis Lt (jg)
1238 Prince
Athens Georgia

Dear Mr Allen - I've been laying off to write you a short letter for a month but just have not gotten around to it. Today's weekly publication just rolled off of the press and since Kissell, one of your own players, is pictured there in I am sending it along to you. He is in the 40th Battalion and is doing fine.

I miss, of course, seeing everyone around Kansas City and the territory, but this navy work is quite interesting. I am assigned to the Military Department and my job is supervising a platoon of sixty-five cadets in the athletic, military and academic work. I am an assistant coach in all sports where my platoon may be. I get very close to these boys and know all of their problems. Many of these men are enlisted men and have been on the

fronts of war and are interesting to talk with.

There is a course here that I know that you would be interested in - Relaxation. It is being taught to the cadets to know how to relax the various muscles so they can go to sleep when in a battle front. Those in charge of the teaching and instruction seem to feel that the cadets are learning a great deal. Mr. St. Riley, former coach at Navy Teachers is one of the instructors, and he is "sold" on the course.

I watch the papers for the scores of the basket ball games back home, and I am pleased at the progress of your young team and I also know how the Big Six would be doing if you had Ray Evans and these others. They would have been back. We all know that it takes men like Ray to win a war.

I am keeping upon my officiating, tonight I work the Georgia Tech and our Pre-Flight game. Georgia Tech has an outstanding team.

Hoping that you are well I am

Respectfully Yours
Ed -

Tech Court Tilt Opens Four-Game Weekend



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Former Tennis Champ, Two Grid Notables Report Aboard

Elwood Cooke, Bill Kern, Jim Yeager Join Staff

ONE of the top-ranking tennis stars of the nation and two former college grid coaches reported for duty aboard this week. They are Lieut. Elwood Cooke, who won the World's Doubles Championship at Wimbledon with Bobby Riggs in 1939; Lieut. William F. Kern, former head mentor at Carnegie Tech and West Virginia University, and Lieut. (jg) James J. Yeager, ex-University of Colorado coach.

Lieutenant Cooke was runner-up for the Wimbledon Singles Championship in 1939. With his wife, Sarah Palfrey Cooke, he won 11 national championships throughout Europe in mixed doubles competition. The Cookes were also runners-up to Bobby Riggs and Alice Marble in the Nationals at Forest Hills and later defeated the same pair for the Pacific Southwest Championship. Lieutenant Cooke has been stationed at NAS, Pensacola, and has been assigned here for temporary duty.

Lieutenant Kern had been serving since last August at the Del Monte Navy Pre-Flight School, where he piloted the Navyator football team to the Service Championship of the Pacific Coast. His charges included such stars as Len Eshmont, Parker Hall, Paul Christman, Ed Cifers, Bowden Wyatt and Jim Mc-

(CAST TO STARBOARD)

Junkers 88-66

Captain Hanrahan Iowa Skipper, Dies

Captain David C. Hanrahan, commanding officer of the Iowa Navy Pre-Flight School, died last Thursday after a brief illness. He had been stricken two days earlier with pneumonia and failed to rally. He was 68 years old.

The *Spindrift*, station newspaper, eulogized him as follows: "Captain Hanrahan was the soul and the spark of the Iowa Pre-Flight School . . . He was one of the few men God ever created who at once commanded the fear, respect, and unlimited admiration of every man who served under him. If a fellow man could be worshipped by the men who worked under him, Captain Hanrahan was worshipped . . . His spirit will live as long as the American Navy flies the skies."

Senior Hop Tomorrow Night in Dahlgren

Members of the 38th, 39th, and 40th Batts and their dates will dance to the tunes of Chief Maser's orchestra at the graduation hop in Dahlgren Hall tomorrow night at 2100.

Buses will make their usual rounds of University dormitories and Sorority Row, leaving Operations at 2030, and will deliver the ladies after the dance ends at 2400. Liberty for upperclassmen expires at 0045. Taps at 0100.

Hand-to-Hand Proves Handy To Ex-Cadet in Wild Taxi Ride

When Cadet Wayne L. Duncan, formerly of the 34th Batt, learned the tactics of hand-to-hand combat here, he never expected to use it before his first encounter with the Japs.

The opportunity came much sooner, however. Last week during Saturday night liberty from NAS, Olathe, Kan., Cadet Duncan escorted his date from a Kansas City night club and ushered her into a taxicab at the curb.

The cab driver immediately roared away at high speed, ignoring three straight traffic lights and careening wildly around busy street corners. Cadet Duncan realized something unusual was occurring when bullets from pursuing police cars began whizzing by. Cadet Duncan pushed his date to the floor of the cab and tried to reason with the driver to stop.

When words failed, Duncan employed tactics prescribed for dispatching a Jap, whereupon the driver slumped unconscious over the wheel. The cool cadet then switched off the ignition and brought the cab to a jolting stop.

The cabbie was booked on tentative charges of theft, drunken driving, careless driving, resisting arrest, operating a taxicab without a license, without displaying his picture, and working at another job while classified by selective service as 3-C, a farmer.

Jackets in Perry at 2000; Broscoe Brings 'Sparks'; Double-Header Sunday

THE powerful Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets who trounced the Skycrackers last Friday will face the Pre-Flighters again tonight at 2000 in Perry Gym to open a busy weekend of basketball for Lieut. "Chuck" Finley's charges.

Tomorrow afternoon at 1500 a quintet from the Navy Radio School at Gainesville, Ga., will also meet the Skycrackers in Perry Gym. The Navy "Sparks" are coached by Lieut. (jg) E. M. Broscoe, former member of the athletic staff here.

Sunday afternoon the Pre-Flighters will play a double-header in Perry beginning at 1500, facing in succession the Atlanta Boys' Club and the local A.S.T.P. basketeers. The Boys' Club lost to Lieutenant Finley's charges last weekend.

Record for the Skycrackers thus far this season is four victories and four defeats.

First to take the floor tonight against Tech will probably be Kissell and Quinn, forwards; Snyder, center; and Lawrence and Winkler, guards.

The Skycrackers lost their early season starters and three first-string subs on Monday when the 37th Batt departed for primary bases. They were: Dillon, Doyle, Altman, Von Bulow, Kluckman, Barker, Dooley, and Stewart.

Navy Manpower Group Surveys Station Personnel

A Navy Manpower Survey group came aboard Wednesday to study the distribution of officers, crew, and civilian personnel at the station.

Group is headed by Captain P. R. Glutting, USN, director of training for the Sixth Naval District. Serving with him is Commander George Griffin, USNR, executive officer of the Naval Training Unit at Georgia Tech; Gen. Sandy Beaver, onetime chief of staff to the Governor of Georgia and now president of Riverside Military Academy, Gainesville, Ga.; and William J. Green, of the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

The group expects to complete the survey this week.

Warhawk-37

Regimental Review

Approximately 1,000 cadets of the 38th, 39th, and 40th Batts will participate in the Regimental Review at 1515 in Sanford Stadium tomorrow.

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CAPTAIN CHARLES E. SMITH, USN
Commanding Officer

LT. COMDR. RALPH W. BURLEIGH, USNR
Executive Officer

LIEUT. HOWARD W. KRAMER, USNR
Public Relations Officer—EDITOR

Coming Events

Friday, January 28

Basketball. Skycrackers vs. Georgia Tech, Perry Gym, 2000.

Saturday, January 29

Basketball. Skycrackers vs. Gainesville Radio School, Perry Gym, 1500.

Graduation Dance. Dahlgren Hall, 2100-2400. Music by Maser's orchestra. 38th, 39th, and 40th Batts.

Dance. Officers' Club on Jefferson Road, 2130-2400.

Regimental Review. Sanford Stadium, 1515. 38th, 39th, and 40th Batts.

Sunday, January 30

Church Parade, 0925.

Chapel Service. Chaplain G. G. Lacy, 0940.

Movies. Auditorium, 1515. "Stranger in Town," Frank Morgan and Jean Rogers. Paramount News, novelty reel, cartoon, and "Dog Sense."

Movies. Auditorium, 1945. "Slightly Dangerous," Lana Turner and Robert Young. News of the Day, and cartoon.

Basketball. Skycrackers vs. Atlanta Boys' Club . . . Skycrackers vs. Athens ASTP School, Perry Gym, 1500.

Wednesday, February 2

Enlisted Men's Wives' Club. Athens Service Center, 2000-2245. Enlisted cadet's wives especially invited.

Friday, February 4

Basketball. Skycrackers vs. Cherry Point (N. C.) Marines, Perry Gym, 2000.

Saturday, February 5

Smoker Dance. Perry Gym, 2000. Program by 38th, 39th, and 40th Batts. Dance afterwards with music by Chief Anderson's orchestra.

Dance. Officers' Club on Jefferson Road, 2100-2400. Music by Chief Maser's orchestra.

Sunday, February 6

Church Parade. 0925.

Chapel Service. Chaplain G. G. Lacy, 0940.

Movies. "Bataan," Auditorium, 1515. Robert Taylor and George Murphy. Paramount News, cartoon and March of Time, "Youth in Crisis."

Movies. "Thank Your Lucky Stars," Auditorium, 1945. Eddie Cantor, Ann Sheridan, Humphrey Bogart, and an all-star cast. News of the Day, and novelty reel

Navy's Artie Shaw Is Top Favorite

Favorite musician in the Armed Forces is the Navy's Artie Shaw, according to the vote of judges, announced in "Esquire." These judges also named an All-American Jazz Band which included:

Trumpet, Louis Armstrong; clarinet, Benny Goodman; piano, Art Tatum; bass, Oscar Pettiford; odd instruments, Red Norvo; trombone, Jack Teagarden; saxophone, Coleman Hawkins; guitar, Al Casey; drums, Sidney Catlett; and vocalists, Louis Armstrong and Billie Holliday.

PORT

39th Scores Second Clean Sweep, Aims at All-Time Record Total

Peffle's Champs, First to Repeat Sweep, Have Won Eight

THE 39th Batt this week became the first class in the history of NPFS to fly a full string of regimental championship flags twice during its stay aboard.

Admiral Hardison Heads NAPTC

Rear Admiral Osborne B. Hardison, USN, heroic commanding officer of the aircraft carrier U. S. S. ENTERPRISE in the battle of the Santa Cruz Islands in October, 1942, has been designated as Chief of Naval Air Primary Training and will assume his new duties early in February.



Admiral Hardison

Admiral Hardison will succeed Captain Dixie Kiefer, USN, Chief of Staff of the Naval Air Primary Training Command, who has been Chief of Naval Air Primary Training on additional duty basis since November 20. Captain Kiefer is former executive officer of the aircraft carrier YORKTOWN.

Both Admiral Hardison and Captain Kiefer are holders of the coveted Navy Cross.

The Naval Air Primary Training Command, with headquarters in Kansas City, Kansas, has supervision of all primary ground and flight training for Naval, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard aviators.

Junkers 52-96

Catholics Announce Club Opening

The National Catholic Community Service Club is sponsoring a regular weekly entertainment program for Catholic cadets, officers, and crew at the Parish House at St. Joseph's Church, it was announced by J. W. Huey, local chairman.

The Parish House will be open Sundays, beginning Jan. 30, throughout the afternoon and evening, and refreshments will be served. The club facilities include a game room in the basement where ping pong, bingo and cards may be played. Prizes will be offered.

Wednesday evening bridge games for officers and their wives are scheduled weekly at 2015.

Each Saturday night, beginning Feb. 5, Catholic cadets are invited to attend an informal dance at 2030.

Halifax-99

New Disbursing Officer

Newly arrived disbursing officer is Ens. J. Robert Day, of Brighton, Ia., who reported from R/S Boston, Mass.

Ensign Day is a 1940 graduate of the University of Iowa, and has previously been stationed at NAS, Anacostia, and the Supply School, Boston.

Lieut. S. W. Peffle's trainees will have a total of eight E pennants to their credit when they claim the academic flag next Monday. They will also get a crack at seven more flags before graduation.

The all-time record, held by another Wasp Barracks battalion, the 33rd, is nine championship burgees.

The 39th won the regimental military championship with an overall average of 3.172. Other averages: 40th, in second place, 3.15; 38th, 3.14; 41st, 3.136; 37th, 3.126.

Honors in the different activities were closely contested last week with three ending in ties. The 39th, 40th, and 41st Batts all scored 3.2 in CONDUCT IN RANKS; the 37th, 39th, and 40th were tied at 3.175 for honors in WATCH EFFICIENCY, while the 37th, 38th, 39th, and 41st scored 3.2 in FORMATIONS.

First place in INFANTRY DRILL was claimed by the 40th Batt, MILITARY BEARING, by the 38th, INSPECTION OF RANKS, by the 40th, and ROOM INSPECTION, by the 41st.

Former rodeo-rider V-5 Cadet Bruce Crowell, Jr. (38-C-1) is the newly appointed regimental commander. Hailing from El Paso, Tex., Crowell was battalion commander at Flight Prep, in Austin, and J.O.O.D. at WTS there. Cadet A. L. Lott (38-C-2) is sub-commander.

Cadets of military merit chosen as battalion commanders for the current week were: 38th, R. F. Skrable, PhM2c, D-2; 39th, L. W. Bullock, E-2; 40th, H. H. Fuller, G-3, 41st, H. L. Sluder, J-3; 42nd, B. L. Morgan, L-1.

Junkers 90-116

New Officers (Contd.)

Donald. The Del Monte School has finished its pre-flight training activities and will be converted to other uses by the Navy.

Lieutenant Kern played with Lieut. Jack Harding on the 1925 Pitt team, and played tackle against Lieut. Christopher Freeman in the Rose Bowl game against Stanford on New Year's day 1928. He was widely selected for All-American honors.

Lieutenant Kern made two later visits to the Rose Bowl as line-coach of the 1932 and 1936 Pitt elevens. He was head coach at Carnegie Tech 1937-39, taking the '38 team to the Sugar Bowl. From 1940-42, he coached the West Virginia University club before entering the Navy.

Lieutenant Yeager once served as line coach under Lieut. Jack Riley at Fort Hays (Kan.) State, and for four years was head coach at Iowa State University. For the past three seasons he piloted the University of Colorado teams.

Cadet Forshee Won DFC Twice; Two in 41st Have Air Medals

TWICE awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism and extraordinary achievement as rear gunner of a Navy dive bomber in the



Left to right: Rees, Forshee and Martz.

Battles of the Coral Sea and Midway, Lynn R. Forshee, ARM1c (41-I-2B), heads a long list of 41st Batt trainees who have already tasted action in various theaters of war.

Two winners of the Air Medal are also numbered among the bluejacket and Marine cadets in that battalion. They are Matthew A. Rees, ARM1c (J-1A), of Las Vegas, Nev., and George F. Martz, ARM2c (I-3A), of Cumberland, Md. Rees was decorated for his service as a gunner aboard a Catalina, which shot down one of four attacking Zeroes off Kiska, dispersed the others, and aided in the sinking of an armed enemy freighter.

Martz, manning the rear gun of a Dauntless, helped his pilot knock down three planes in the Battle of Santa Cruz.

Forshee, who wears the DFC and gold star, was personally credited with the destruction of one enemy plane in the Coral Sea engagement and was cited again for his "courage and tenacity in the face of heavy fighter and anti-aircraft opposition" at Midway. He is a native of Britt, Ia., and has served four years in the Navy. After Pearl Harbor he was transferred from Atlantic submarine patrol duty to the Pacific where he participated in the Marshall and Gilbert actions, Salamaua, Lae, Tulagi, and Guadalcanal.

Jerome Brown, AM3c, USN (I-1A), served in a fighter squadron aboard an aircraft carrier which participated in the attack on Casablanca. The ship's guns sank two subs and its planes three in that engagement. The crew received a unit citation.

Cpl. John C. Barnes, USMCR, holds

two presidential unit citations. He was shellman and director finder on a five-irch battery aboard the famous Battleship X which distinguished herself in the Battles of Santa Cruz, Guadalcanal, and Savo Island.

S/Sgt. David G. Mehargue, USMC, flew with the first bombing squadron to operate out of Henderson Field, Guadalcanal, after it was captured.

Walter F. Howard, AMM1c, was in a PBV crew which bombed Munda Air-strip in December, '42.

Stanley C. Topolski, ACMM (CAC), USN, saw action throughout the Southwest Pacific for two years, flying in PBV's and B24's.

William G. Peterson, AOM1c, USN, bombardier in a patrol squadron in the Southwest Pacific, participated in the Coral Sea Battle.

Five of the group were in North Atlantic patrols which have a number of submarines to their credit. They are: James B. Gray, PhM1c, USN; Charles W. Hazelbacker, Jr., AMM2c, USN; Eugene A. Rodgers, Am1c, USN; Charles O'Henry, PhM1c, USCG; Herbert G. Stauning, AMM3c, USN.

Three were stationed at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, and witnessed the Jap attack—Francis F. Davis, BM2c, USN; Paul T. Eckholt, AMM1c, USN; and Jack R. Evans, AOM1c, USN.

— Skytrain—95 —

Epitaph: Here lies an atheist, all dressed up and no place to go.

Operational Report

SPLICED:

L. J. Eccel, AMM2c (41-I-2A), and Miss Dorothy E. Kupka, of Milwaukee, Wisc., January 20, in the Chaplain's office.

TRANSFERRED:

C. T. Miner, PhM1c, to R/S, Brooklyn, N. Y., for further transfer to sea duty; J. C. Oates, Y2c, to NTS, Norfolk, for further transfer to sea duty.

— Focke-Wolf 190—35 —

39th Makes Record 94.71 in Academics

With an all-time academic record of 94.71 percent of its cadets on the all-passing list, the 39th Batt will bring to eight its overall total of E pennants Monday when it raises the red and white burgee over Wasp.

Other scores, released today by the Records office: 38th, 90.50 percent; 40th, 79.30 percent; 41st, 65.76 percent.

The previous high in academics was made two weeks ago when 93.81 percent of the 37th Batt passed all subjects for the week ending January 8.

— Junkers 87—45 —

V-Mail Gets Priority; Navy Urges Its Use

Greater use must be made of V-Mail or it may become necessary to discontinue carrying other personal mail overseas by air, says a Navy Department announcement.

Overseas operations are taxing air mail transportation facilities severely. V-Mail film takes up less than two percent of the space and weight of regular mail. Unless the majority of letters to and from personnel overseas go by V-Mail, there is the likelihood that air cargo space will be insufficient to accommodate even a small percentage of unfilmed personal mail.

V-Mail, furthermore is now receiving first transportation consideration over all mail except officer messenger and official registered air mail.

— Mustang—37 —

Two Navy Nurses Report

Two Navy Nurses* reported aboard this week for duty with the medical department. They are Ens. Blannie Barron of Crystal Springs, Miss., and Ens. Issia Fay Muncy of Lovely (believe it or not), Ky.

Both have been serving at the Naval Hospital, Jacksonville, for the past ten months.

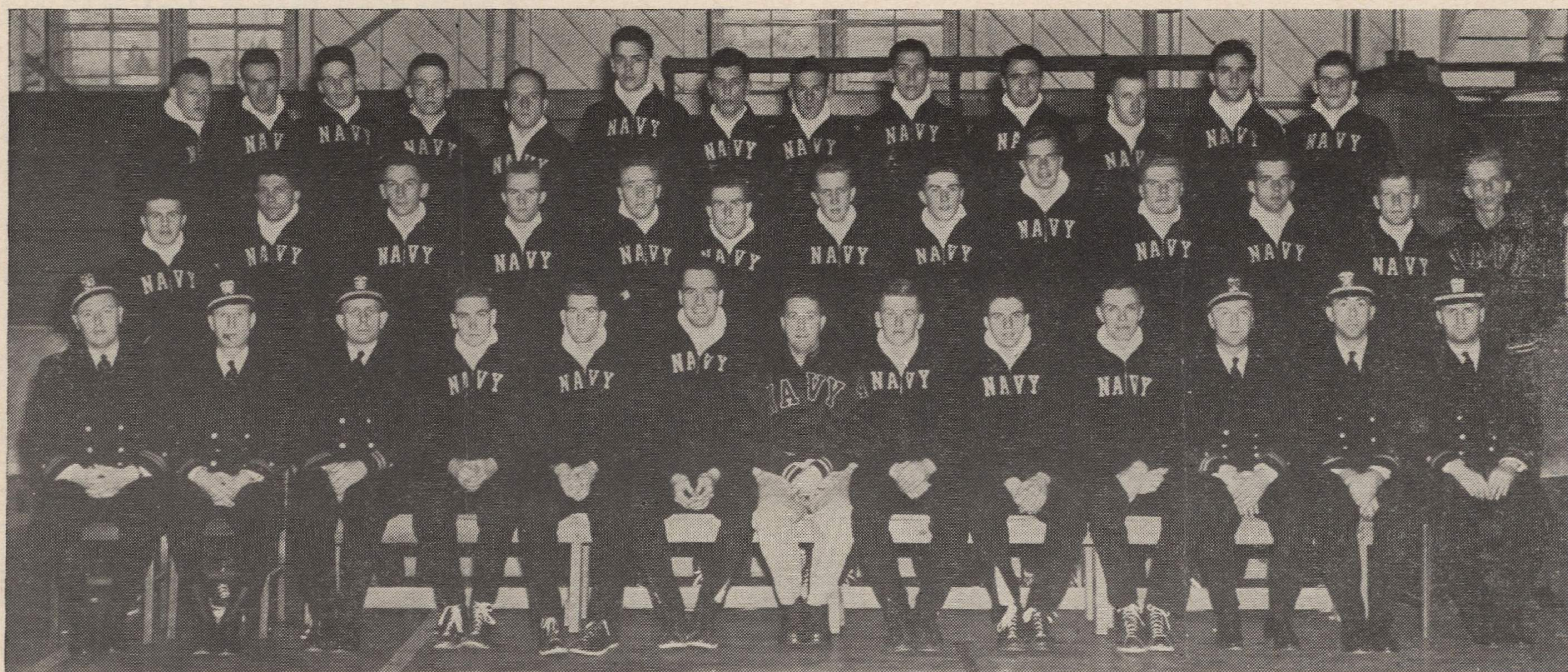
— Hurricane—40 —

Cadets Attend WAVE Hop

One hundred cadets from the senior 38th Battalion will attend the joint graduation dance and President's Birthday Ball at the Wave Training School, Milledgeville, Ga., tomorrow night. Buses will bring the cadets back to Athens immediately after the dance.

STARBOARD

Here They Are: The Skycracker Basket-Bombers



The Skycracker basketball squad posed for this picture last Sunday after their victory over Mercer. Front row (left to right): Lieut. J. W. Rice (medical officer), Lieut. (jg) L. B. Tamboer, Lieut. C. L. Finley (head coach), Barker, Dooley, Snyder, Lutz (trainer), Scholbe, Boehme, Dillon, Lieut. (jg) P. R. Arnold, Ens. C. W. Rohrdanz, Ens. Don Doolin. Second row: Winkler, Webb, Preis, Parrington, Kissell, Quinn, Doyle, VonBulow, Atman, Nienberg, Stewart, Smith, Floyd. Back row: Sisson, Dean, Grove, Kernan, Glover, Kluckman, Lopinsky, Brandon, Lawrence, Henshaw, Albaugh, Lott, McWilliams.

39th to Defend Sports Title

The high-riding 39th Batt, holder of three straight sports pennants, was a heavy favorite this week to defend its honors successfully in the regimental finals.

The athletes of Wasp and Memorial dominated the upper bracket of play by leading the 38th in six out of nine sports and tying them in two others.

The 40th held sway over the 41st in the lower bracket by the same margin.

If the 39th succeeds in keeping its record intact Sunday it will become the first outfit in Athens Pre-Flight history to take four Red E's in a row.

Swimming was back on the competition slate for the first time since last summer. Spectators at the Sunday aquatic finals in Gilmore Pool will be seated at the Lumpkin street end.

The summaries:

	Bracket Upper	Bracket Lower
Boxing	39th, 16-11	41st, 23-13
Gymnasium	39th, 33-19	40th, 67-37
Track	39th, 9-6	40th, 21½-14½
Basketball	39th, 3-0	Tie, 3-3
Soccer	Tie, 1-1	Tie, 1-1
Football	Tie, 1-1	40th, 2½-1½
Wrestling	39th, 83-44	40th, 96-48
Obstacle	38th, 4:47-4:59	40th, 4:49-4:51
Swimming	39th, 57½-35½	40th, 102-93

— Baltimore—61 —

Relaxers Lead Intramurals

The Relaxers were leading the officers basketball league with two wins as intramural competition got under way this week. In the same league, the Academic quintet, the Hellcats, and Gunning's Gunners each had one victory.

Only game in the volleyball league saw the Brainy Six defeat the Commandos.

Lieut. J. Towner Smith announced that tournaments would start next week in hand ball and badminton.

STERN

New Classifications Open

The Bureau of Personnel has announced the opening of all rates in the following classifications for enlisted personnel: Cryptographer, Technician, and Radio Intelligence. Information may be obtained from Lieut. (jg) J. J. Convery.

— Spitfire—37 —

Cagers Lose to Tech, Win Two Others

The Skycracker quintet won two and lost one last weekend to bring the season's record to four victories and four defeats.

A strong Georgia Tech aggregation walloped the Pre-Flighters, 34-16, at Atlanta last Friday night. Next evening, however, the Navy cagers vindicated themselves with a 55-33 triumph over the Atlanta Boy's Club.

Returning to Athens Sunday afternoon, the Skycrackers added another victory by toppling the Mercer V-5 quintet, 46-20.

— Dauntless—42 —

'B' Quintet Downs Athens High, 40-25

The Navy Pre-Flight "B" quintet downed the Athens High School cagers in a Polio benefit game Wednesday night, 40-25, at the high school gym.

Roger Scholbe, Skycracker guard, required emergency treatment at St. Mary's Hospital following a freak first-period mishap in which his arm crashed through a pane of glass.

Rope, Shelf Marks Fall in Gym Trials

Gymnasium records toppled during the first week of competition in the current flag race.

Cadet G. A. Eaton (39-F-3) established a new rope climb mark of 13.2 secs., clipping 1-10 of a second from the old standard set by O. D. McIntire.

The shelf climb record of 4.8 seconds was equaled by Cadets M. T. Davis (41-I-1) and then lowered to 4.6 by two other cadets. The new record holders at that figure are C. F. Eberly (40-G-2) and C. Y. Dellinger (38-D-1).

— Avenger—54 —

Patrick Seeks Track Performance Record

A vigorous assault on the track performance record was being made this week by Cadet Melvin W. Patrick (41-J-2A), who scored a perfect 28 in the first half of the two-week test.

Patrick, who starred in track at Needles (Calif.) Union High School, was conceded a good chance of a perfect performance in all 14 events. Closest approach to a perfect 56 thus far was made by R. L. McCaslin, of the departed 37th, who tallied 48.

— Heinkel 111—74 —

Ballot Applications Ready on Feb. 1

Post card applications for official war ballots will be available to all Navy and Marine personnel on February 1 and thereafter in the office of the executive officer.