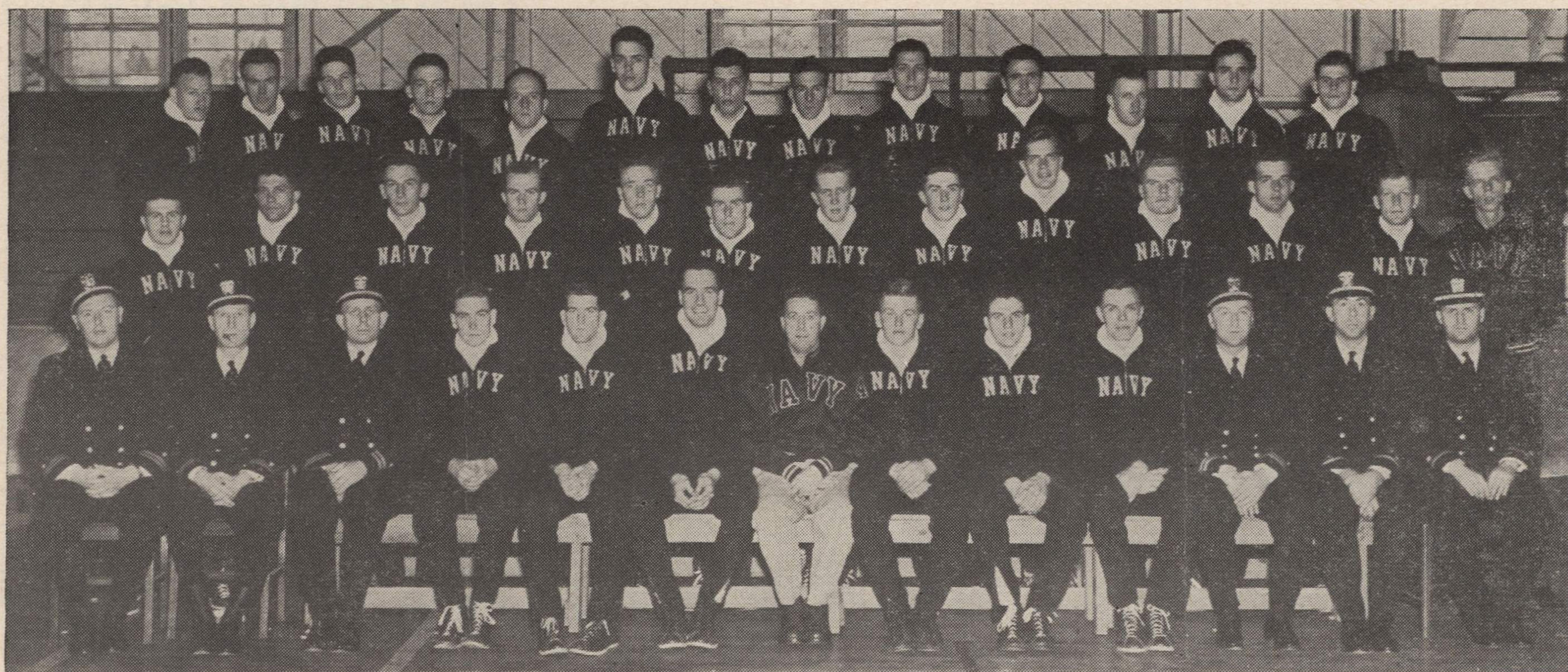


# Here They Are: The Skycracker Basket-Bombers



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.

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### 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.