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first day, 20 the second, and 30 the third.

In charge of the program was Lieut. Charles "Chic" Werner, head track coach. He was assisted by Lieut. Robert Pitkin, and Lieuts. (jg) P. H. Hooser and Francis Ryan, all track coaches.

Coach Werner attributed the success of the meet to the military way in which it was handled, and to the flawless work of both officers and cadets who served as officials.

"The fact that we had four high jump pits with the bar at successive heights, two broad jump pits, two discus circles, and six shot put circles, all operating at the same time, did much to speed up the meet," Coach Werner stated. "Also the rope and line lanes helped. When a cadet got in one of those lanes he could go no place else but forward."

Finals of the meet were run off in the snow, and considering the fact that the ground was very muddy and the cadets wore sneakers, times and distances were very good.

On Tuesday afternoon the winners were presented awards by Comdr. John P. Graff, USN (Ret.), commanding officer.

**Summary:**

**70-YD HIGH HURDLES:** T. A. Godfrey, Helldiver, first, time 9.8; J. R. Kenyon, Skyrocket, second; C. S. Hultberg, Skyrocket, third; E. Balsis, Mariner, fourth; C. P. VanPelt, Coronado, fifth; and W. H. Bortz, Catalina, sixth.

**80-YD LOW HURDLES:** J. R. Voshell, Mariner, first, time 10.1; J. R. Kenyon, Skyrocket, second; C. P. VanPelt, Coronado, third; T. A. Godfrey, Helldiver, fourth; R. K. Gwaltney, Skyrocket, fifth; and G. W. Dick, Helldiver, sixth.

**440-YD RUN:** C. A. Charlet, Buccaneer, first, time 57 seconds; R. W. Large, Buffalo, second; R. W. Husted, Mariner, third; C. Donovan, Wildcat, fourth; J. F. Benson, Wildcat, fifth; and E. R. Coakley, Vindicator, sixth.

**ONE MILE RUN:** J. J. Kissell, Kingfisher, first, time 4:56; J. N. Terrio, Wildcat, second; R. E. Rice, Mariner, third; E. G. Fowler, Buccaneer, fourth; W. J. Cook, Kingfisher, fifth; and H. C. Cyr, Mustang, sixth.

**100-YD DASH:** G. E. Goldman, Coronado, first, time 10.6; J. Gallagher, Buccaneer, second; W. A. Noble, Vindicator, third; F. A. Ledet, Skyrocket, fourth; W. H. Billings, Devastator, fifth; and W. T. Campbell, Coronado, sixth.

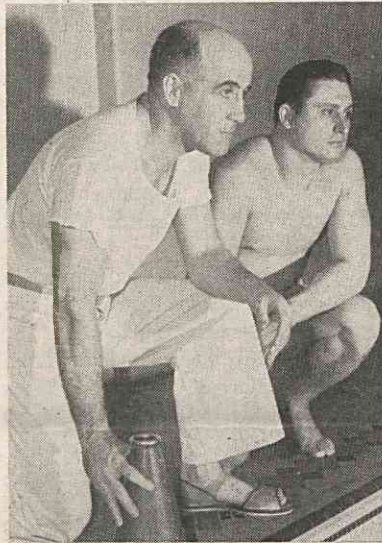
**880-YD RUN:** H. G. Richmond, Wildcat, first, time 2:15.2; J. D. Cox, Catalina, second; L. Strijek, Helldiver, third; J. J. Kissell, Kingfisher, fourth; F. E. Schultz, Kingfisher, fifth; and H. F. Carling, Devastator, sixth.

**DISCUS THROW:** D. P. Turk, Catalina, first, distance 110 feet; H. J. Lechner, Coronado, second; D. G. Davis, Buccaneer, third; J. J. Dearborn, Devastator, fourth; W. P. Edmunds, Kingfisher,

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## Sports Slants

### Here's the Result of Interviews With Johnny Miller, Buddy Hassett



Miller and Fick

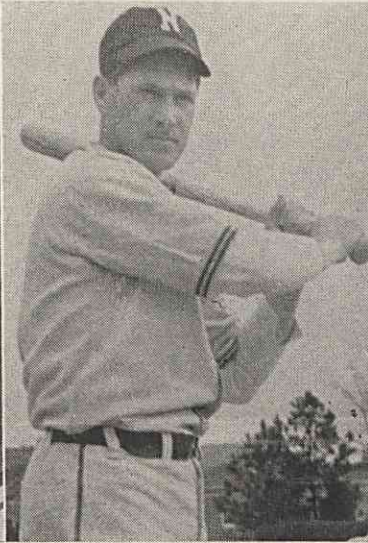
"There'll be more good swimmers and more swimming records broken the first five years after this war than during any other five year period in the history of the tank sport," predicts Lieut. Johnny Miller, head swimming instructor here, and editor of the *Intercollegiate Swimming Guide*.

Lieut. Miller should know. Before being commissioned in the Navy he was head swimming coach at Mercersburg Academy, and like Notre Dame and football, Mercersburg in prep school circles is synonymous with swimming. At one time it held all the interscholastic records, and has had representation on three Olympic teams.

Previous to coaching at Mercersburg, Miller had charge of several good will swimming teams to Japan, Germany, South America, and other nations. On those teams was Ensign Peter Fick, Miller's coaching assistant here, who is still called the fastest swimmer in the world.

"Take the Pre-Flight School for example," Miller explains. "Forty per cent of the cadets who come here can't swim at all. Before they complete their Pre-Flight training, they must, among other things, be able to swim three-fourths of a mile, under water 50 feet, carry a man their own weight, 100 yards, swim with their clothes on 200 yards, be able to handle rubber boats, cargo nets, do rope climbing and jump from high altitudes into the water. If they can't make the grade as good swimmers they

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Hassett

"Baseball owners should be congratulated for going ahead with baseball this year," says Lieut. (jg) Buddy Hassett, the Yankee first baseman of last year who is now stationed here as a platoon officer and baseball coach.

"They're really sticking their necks out," Hassett states, "for they've got everything to lose and nothing to gain. Why they haven't even been promised that they'll finish out the year."

Hassett is happy that baseball is being continued, and he's confident that the national pastime has done as much for the war effort as any other sports activity.

On the subject of 1943 baseball he believes that his former teammates are a lead pipe cinch to capture the American League pennant race again, and that Rookie George Stirnweiss, up from Newark, will make the grade with the McCarthymen.

"It's tough to get away from a winner," Buddy seems to think, "and I'll string along with the Yankees to win the American League race without too much trouble. The war has hurt them less than any other club in the league."

Following the Yankees will be St. Louis, Boston, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Philadelphia, and Washington, in that order, Hassett predicts.

"The Yanks will miss DiMaggio more than any other single player," the ex-Yankee stated. "Their pitching should be the best in the league, and the fact that they lost

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## 'Buster Nine Opens Season On Thursday

Two practice games with Carolina have already been played, another is scheduled for this afternoon, and others will be played before the Cloudbusters officially open their season next Thursday against Catawba College at Salisbury, N. C., Lieut. Don Kepler, head baseball coach, stated yesterday.

While the Catawba game is not a "league" game it is the first official game on the Pre-Flight schedule. The first "rationed league" contest is scheduled for next Saturday afternoon at Raleigh where the Cloudbusters meet North Carolina State.

Playing most of the contest in a drizzle of rain, the Cloudbusters lost their first game to Carolina, 4 to 1. However, Coach Kepler stated afterwards that he felt the cadets made a fine showing and considering that they'd never played together before he was satisfied with the results.

It can be said, in passing, that the present Carolina team is a veteran club, most of the players having played together before.

Expected to start against Catawba and N. C. State is McKenzie behind the plate, Marshall or Marousek at first, Ralacki at second, Bonifant at short, Conlan at third, and Katz, Marchand and Flemming in the outfield. Pitching duties will be divided among Al Freduenheim, R. Zorn, and W. H. Simms.

## Mustangs Take Lead In Spring Sports

The Mustangs, with 16 points, led the sports program through last Saturday night. Tied for second and third were the Vindicators and Catalinas with 15 points apiece.

In swimming, football, and basketball the Mustangs are undefeated having won two, three and four contests respectively. In boxing they have won one and lost one, and they have two defeats against no wins in wrestling.

Other squadrons and their points are the Buccaneers with 13, the Wildcats with 12, the Skyrockets and Buffaloes with 11 each, the Devastators with 10, the Helldivers and Kingfishers with 9 each, the Mariners with 8, and the Coronados with 3.