# **Cloudbusters on Top in League Competition**

#### **Duke Defeated** Here Wednesday . By 4 to 3 Score

After losing to Camp Butner here last Saturday afternoon, 8 to 5, the Cloudbusters returned to Ration League competition this week, won two games, and moved into top position in the four club loop.

The first victory against N. C. State, 8 to 6, took the Pre-Flighters 10 innings. The locals scored a run in the ninth to tie the score at 6-6 and then pushed across two tallies in the next frame to win the game.

A walk to Smith, a stolen base and an error, and Mills' outfield fly tied the score in the ninth, and Thompson's single, a pass to Falk, and two errors by Willie Evans, gave Pre-Flight two runs in the tenth.

The game against Duke here was won in the last half of the ninth. Until that time, Bob Houghton, who started on the mound for Duke, and Eric Felton, his successor, had limited the Cloudbusters to five hits. Then two Duke errors and Substitute Doran's single into left-center produced two runs.

It happened like this: Catcher Joe Mills, first up in the ninth, was safe at first when Shortstop Wright threw wide at first. Next up was Pitcher Jack Farley who laid down a perfect sacrifice. However, Dick Carwin, Duke's first baseman, let Felton's throw get loose, and Mills scored the tying run as Farley took second.

Thompson, who followed, flied out to first, and Barnes, next up, was purposely walked to set the stage for a double play which didn't materialize as Falk was called out on an infield fly. With two down, Doran followed with his game winning single.

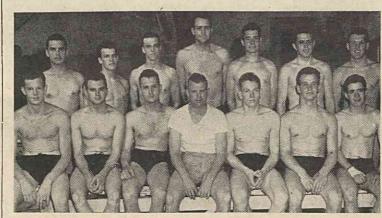
Farley went the route for the Cloudbusters.

#### **Outstanding Cadet**

Cadet J. M. Lilley, 45-E-1, has been named the outstanding cadet of the 45th Battalion, and his name will be placed on the Commanding Officer's Trophy in Navy Hall.

From New York City, via Yale, Cadet Lilley was named for the honor, "In recognition of his leadership and his fine record in all departments of training at this Pre-Flight School."

**Kingfishers Capture Swimming Crown** 



THURSDAY AFTERNOON the Kingfisher swimming team, pictured above, defeated the Coronados to run their victory streak to 16 straight meets. Only one tie mars their perfect record. First row, left to right: Cadets E. D. Sudol, F. D. Fenwood, E. H. Altman, Ensign H. E. Hickman, USNR, coach of the team, and Cadets J. H. Rothroch, E. H. Ashton, T. E. Charlton. Second row, left to right: Cadets G. V. Curry, R. P. Douthett, T. K. Howard, J. D. Eusden, E. R. Stettinivs, W. J. Fleming, and J. C. Hamilton.

## After a Year's Leave of Absence, Skyrockets Lead Sports Program

try again. The adage is old, but it Frehan. These boys set the pace, fits the Skyrockets, present leaders in the Sports Program, perfectly.

For the past year the Skyrockets have been just another squadron in the Sports Program. Never in first place, they seemed destined to stay in the also ran class.

But something new was added! Lieut. Ray O. Donels, USNR, squadron director, calls it leadership. Whatever it is, the Skyrockets have put it to good use for they're in first place at this writing.

With the exception of swimming, which, as you know, has been monopolized by the Kingfishers, the Skyrockets have, at one time or another, held top honors in each of the other sports.

"The coaches and the boys deserve the credit," Lieut. Donels is quick to point out. "They've worked together as a team. That is to say the coach got the best out of his men, and the men got the best out of their coach."

Right down the line there were two or three cadets on each team who stood out. Gym and tumbling, for example, had Cadets H. R. Wil- | Shirey, USNR, gym and tumbling;

If at first you don't succeed, try, | son, R. C. Haines, and G. W. and the rest of the boys followed suit. The result is a gym and tumbling team which, at present, is in first place.

> The same is true in wrestling. Cadets Cameron Davis and J. A. Richardson used their experience and leadership to advantage, and the Skyrockets are in first place in that sport.

> Cadets M. R. Davis and Al Gadbois have been the boxing standouts, while Bill Beck and R. F. Nims took most of the baseball honors. And in soccer it was Swede Carlson.

> It was 10 days ago when the Skyrockets first moved into first place. When it was announced at Sports Program muster, the cadets in that squadron let out with a yell.

As of Thursday the Skyrockets had 160 points, the second place Kingfishers 148. So, for a spell at least, the Skyrockets are ruling the roost.

Coaches of the various teams are Lieut. R. A. Raese, USNR, boxing; Lt. (jg) Lonnie Langston, USNR, wrestling; Lieut. Harold

#### -Coming Up-

Today at 1530:

Pre-Flight vs. U. S. Naval Academy in baseball at Annapolis, Md.

#### Today at 1430:

Triangular track meet at Durham between U. S. Naval Academy, Duke University and Pre-Flight.

#### Wednesday at 1600:

Pre-Flight vs. UNC in baseball on Emerson Field.

#### Saturday at 1500:

Pre-Flight vs. Duke in baseball at Durham.

Saturday at 1430:

Dual track meet at Annapolis. Md., between combined UNC-Pre-Flight track team and the Naval Academy

### **PICNIC**

(Continued from page one) ments. Officers should sign up with their department representative, or in the Welfare and Recreation Office, Room 112, Alexander Hall, and pay the \$1.00 fee in advance.

The committee members are: Lt. Comdr. Henry T. Gannon (MC), USN, Medical Department; Lieut. Henry M. Brabham, USNR, Academic Department; Lt. (jg) John B. McDaniel, USNR, Military Department; Lt. (jg) V. C. Ashford, USNR, Athletic Department.

All officers are urged to use this opportunity for a family outing and for getting better acquainted with each other.

In event of rain, the picnic will be held on Sunday, May 14.

Ensign Vincent Cohee, USNR, swimming; Lt. (jg) Victor S. Mare, USNR, soccer, and Lt. (jg) Robert Kellogg, basketball. Lieut. Carson G. Mathews, USNR, has served as coach of all the teams when the regular coaches could not be present.

Incidently three of the coaches -Langston, Shirey, and Mathews -are members of the academic department.

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