

# 48th Battalion Wins Regimental Title

## Heavyweight Boxer Billy Conn Visits Pre-Flight School



BILLY CONN, the heavyweight boxer, paid two visits to this station during the past few days. Last Sunday he was present for the baseball game between Cherry Point and the Cloudbusters, and on Wednesday he was here especially to referee part of the boxing bouts for the Regimental Championship. On the left, above, Conn is shown with Cadet Bill Smith, a member of the Cloudbuster baseball team and a brother-in-law of the famous fighter. On the right, Conn talks things over with Lieut. Allie Wolff, USNR, who is in charge of boxing here.

## 50th Battalion Is Second, 49th Finishes Third

With Billy Conn, the leading heavyweight contender to Joe Louis, on hand to referee part of the boxing bouts, the second Regimental Sports Championship was held here on Fetzer Field Wednesday evening.

Conn, who at present is stationed at BTC 10, Greensboro, arrived in time to witness part of the Duke-Pre-Flight baseball game played in the afternoon. During the game he was in the Cloudbuster dugout with Lieut. Comdr. Ed. Don George, USNR; Lieut. Allie Wolff, USNR, and Cadet Bill Smith, his brother-in-law. Smith is on the Cloudbuster baseball team.

Thanks to an assist by the 49th, the 48th Battalion won the Regimental Championship with a total of 223 points.

Going into the sports competition the 48th was in first place with 175 points by virtue of winning top honors in academics and class athletics and coming out third in military. Next in line was the 50th with 110 points. However, the latter held the advantage in that they had four teams in the sports finals while the 48th had but one.

But the best the 50th could do was win one of those four events, and the 48th came through with an easy 52 to 18 victory in wrestling which was their only competition.

Here's how the 49th gets an assist. In boxing they defeated the 50th, 9 to 8, the final bout deciding the outcome. And the same was true in swimming as they came through with a 47 to 37 victory over the 50th in that event.

Other results gave the 49th a 2 to 1 victory over the 51st in soccer, and the 50th Battalion won out in track over the 49th, 60 to 27.

Following close behind the leaders was the 50th Battalion with 208 points, the 49th with 163, the 51st with 138, and the 52nd came in fifth with 73.

Six new records—three in swimming and three in track—were broken during the competition. Cadet Eusden of the 49th set a new time of 26.1 in the 50 Meter Dress Stroke to beat the old mark of 29.2 set by Cadet Harris of the 45th. In the 25 Meter Carry,

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## BASEBALL

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with two down, Wright and Little collected successive singles, but Siegneur retired the side by forcing Pickett to ground out, short to first.

On the other hand, Pre-Flight scoring opportunities came in the late innings. Only in the fourth, to be exact, did they really worry Houghton, and the rally ended when Thompson hit into a double play, second to short to first.

Coach Killinger started Siegneur on the mound, and the lanky right hander pitched superb ball until he gave way to a pinch hitter in the last of the eighth. O'Neill pitched the last seven innings, retiring the last 12 men to face him in order, and allowing only two safe blows, both singles. He was credited with the win.

For the Ration League season the Cloudbusters won 10 and lost 2, while Duke, in second place, won 8 and 3.

The entire Cloudbuster infield of Pearson, Gaulin, Falk and McDonald did yeoman work afield all

afternoon, while Wright and Little were Blue Devil standouts.

The box:

DUKE	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Bishop, rf	6	0	0	1	0	0
Matherly, lf	6	0	2	4	0	0
Wright, ss	6	0	2	5	2	1
Little, c	6	0	1	14	0	0
Pickett, cf	5	0	1	2	0	0
Wimbrow, 1b	5	0	2	12	1	0
Lauffer, 2b	6	0	0	2	2	0
White, 3b	6	0	0	2	2	0
Houghton, p	5	0	0	0	2	0
xxwhite	1	0	0	0	0	0
Yantz, cf	0	0	0	1	0	0

TOTALS 52 0 9 x43 13 1  
 xOne out when winning run scored.  
 xxBatted for Pickett in 14th.

PRE-FLIGHT	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Gaulin, 2b	5	0	3	7	5	0
Larkin, cf	6	0	1	4	0	0
Falk, ss	4	0	0	3	8	1
Crampsey, rf	5	0	1	2	0	0
Thompson, lf	6	0	0	4	0	0
McDonald, 3b	6	0	1	4	5	0
Pearson, 1b	6	0	0	16	0	0
Cocetti, c	2	0	0	1	0	0
Sieigneur, p	2	0	0	1	6	0
O'Neill, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
zNewman	1	0	0	0	0	0
zGaither	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hoos, c	3	1	1	3	2	0

TOTALS 49 1 7 45 20 1  
 zBatted for Cocetti in 8th.  
 zzBatted for Sieigneur in 8th.

Duke 000 000 000 000 000—0  
 Pre-Flight 000 800 000 000 001—1  
 Run batted in—Gaulin. Three-base hit—Matherly. Stolen base—Gaulin. Sacrifice—Larkin, Gaulin, O'Neill. Double plays—Falk and Pearson; Lauffer, Wright and Wimbrow; Falk, Gaulin and Pearson. Left on bases—Pre-Flight 10; Duke 9. Bases on balls—off Houghton 4, O'Neill 1. Struck out—by O'Neill 1, Houghton 14, Siegneur 1. Hits—off Siegneur 7 in 8 innings; O'Neill 2 in 7. Winning pitcher—O'Neill. Time of game—3:00. Umpires—Wermuth and Brownback.

## Cherry Point Scores 5 To 2 Win In Baseball

Combining timely hitting with effective pitching by Scott, the Cherry Point Marines handed the Cloudbusters their fifth defeat in 21 starts this season by a score of 5 to 2 here last Sunday afternoon.

It was anybody's game until the ninth when Pitcher Scott, who held the Cloudbusters to six scattered hits, poled a homer into deep left center scoring Brown ahead of him.

The Marines scored first on a home run by left fielder Malkasian in the second, but the Cloudbusters came back to tie it up in the third when Gaulin walked, stole second, and tallied on a safety by Larkin.

Again in the sixth the Marines went ahead when Hubbard walked, advanced on a single by Doolittle and scored on a hit by Wright. Brown scored what proved to be the winning marker when he opened the seventh with a Texas league double to left, and went the rest of

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