

CLOUDBUSTER

Vol. 3—No. 12 Saturday, December 2, 1944

Published weekly under the supervision of the Public Relations Office at the U. S. Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C., a unit of the Naval Air Primary Training Command. Contributions are welcome from all hands.

The Cloudbuster receives Camp Newspaper Service material. Reproduction of credited matter prohibited without permission of CNS, War Department, 205 E. 42nd St., N. Y. C.

LIEUT. COMDR. JAMES P. RAUGH, USNR
Commanding Officer

LIEUT. COMDR. HOWARD L. HAMILTON, USNR
Executive Officer

LIEUT. LEONARD EISERER, USNR
Public Relations Officer

LIEUT. (JG) FRANCIS STANN, USNR
Editor

ORVILLE CAMPBELL, Y1C
Associate Editor

New Officer Survey

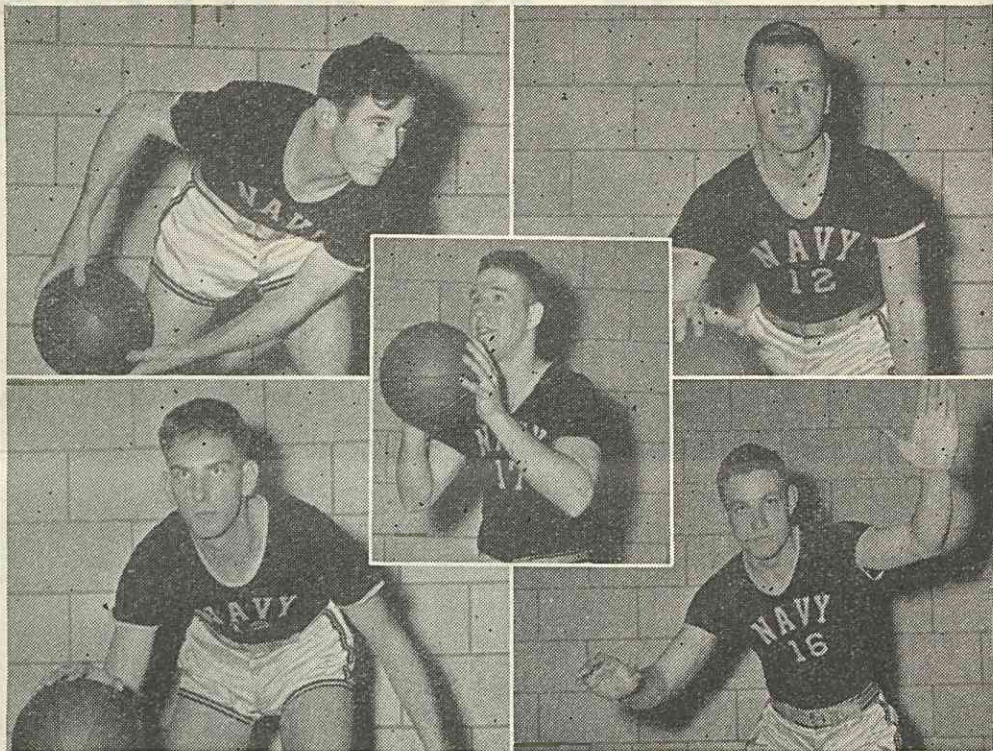
Another survey of reserve officer personnel is expected to be taken to determine their desire for appointments in the Regular Navy, it has been indicated in Washington, and in this new survey personnel will be told exactly where they will stand as to date of rank when appointed as USN.

Furthermore, reserve officers thus appointed are expected to be given the same date of rank standings as those held by Regular Navy officers, all things being equal.

Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal has intimated that he is not satisfied with the outcome of the recent officer survey taken of reserves. It was not a complete success because the reserves did not know where they would stand when a redistribution of personnel was carried out after the war.

Many felt, it is understood, that they would go back to their permanent reserve grades at the bottom of the list, which in most cases is two or three, or even more, ranks below their present temporary grades. As a result, it is believed that many of the officers who would have indicated a desire to stay in the Regular Navy otherwise, would not commit themselves.

It was pointed out that reserves holding temporary promotions will have the same standings as will Academy graduates and other Navy Regulars. In other words, a Reserve lieutenant and an Academy lieutenant who rank of the same date will be in the same bracket.



SOMETHING NEW—Certain to see action for the Cloudbusters tonight are these five basketball players. Top row, left to right, W. D. Meador, forward, and Tippy Dye, team captain and guard. In center is S. A. Meserve, all-round utility man. Lower left is R. E. Mehl, forward, and right is D. E. Leakey, a guard.

. . . On The Lighter Side . . .

I must go down to the roaring sea,
Where the winds blow strong and a wave's
no she.

I must go down to the windy sea—
You're damn right I must—they're sending
me.

* * * * *

A "highbrow" is a person educated beyond
his intelligence.

* * * * *

A far-western newspaper heads the list of
births, marriages and deaths briefly and to
the point:

"Hatched, Matched and Dispatched."

* * * * *

Artist: "Ah, perhaps, you, too, are a lover
of the beauties of Nature. Have you seen
the golden fingers of the dawn spreading
across the eastern sky, the red-stained, sul-
phurous islets floating in the lake of fire in

the west, ragged clouds at midnight, blotting
out the shuddering moon?"

Farmer: "Nope, not lately. I've been out
the wagon for over a year."

* * * * *

Letter from a GI in the South Pacific:
They are neither too young nor too old—
there just ain't any!

* * * * *

This is a story about a Puzzled Pole:

He lived on the border between Russia and
Poland and worried about it for years. "I'm
a man without a country," he said, "I don't
know where I live." So eventually he got a
state surveyor to come his way and do a
special job of surveying.

"You live," said the surveyor, "in Po-
land."

"Thank God!" cried the Pole throwing his
hat in the air with glee. "No more of those
terrible Russian winters!"

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



Cooked By A Hash Mark



Copyright 1944 by Milton Caniff, distributed by Camp Newspaper Service