

# Graham Is First All-American Cloudbuster

## Dudley, Eshmont, Trippi Other Backs On AP Service Team

Cadet Otto Graham, an All-American in 1943 at Northwestern University, became the first football player in the history of this Pre-Flight School to make a nationwide All-American service team when he was named on the Associated Press eleven released this week.

Len Eshmont, who played here in 1942; John Woudenberg, tackle from St. Mary's Pre-Flight, and George Strohmeier, center who played for the Seahawks of Iowa, also were included on the first team, which embraced seven players from the Navy and four from the Army.

Other than Graham, no less than six players on the Cloudbuster team received honorable mention. They were Wayne Harding, Wally Schumacher and Melbourne Sheehan, ends; Ray Bray and Dale Pulver, tackles, and Stan Koslowski, fullback.

### Graham Is Surprised

Graham's selection was expected by everyone except Graham. "Naturally, I'm surprised," Otto commented. "Frankly I don't see how they selected me. There were a 100 good backs among the service teams this fall."

But the coaches and sportswriters who saw Graham perform thought differently. His own coach, Lieut. Comdr. Glenn Killinger, considers Graham to be as cool a back, as great a passer, and as fine a defensive man as he's ever seen.

Coach Eddie Cameron of Duke stated after the Duke-Pre-Flight contest that Otto was the difference between victory and defeat. "He does everything and does it well," he said.

Comdr. Oscar Hagberg of the Naval Academy remarked that, "Graham was the coolest back under pressure I've ever seen."

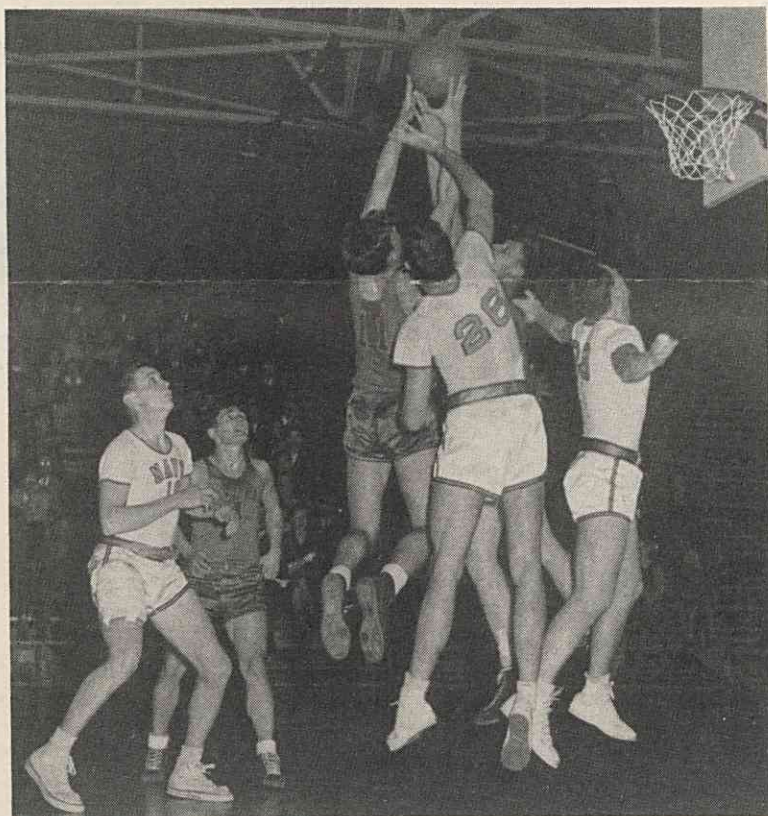
Camp Peary players selected him as the outstanding back to perform against them, and Bainbridge chose him on its all-opponent team.

### Dudley, Trippi Chosen

Two other players who performed against the Cloudbusters were on the first team. One is Russ Letlow, Camp Peary, and the other is Garrard Ramsey, Bainbridge. Both are guards.

Included in the first string backfield, along with Graham, were Eshmont, Norman NAB; Bill Dudley, Randolph Field, and Charley Trippi, Third Air Force. All are well known in this section. Dudley played college ball at Virginia and performed twice in Kenan Stadium against North Carolina, and Trippi starred last year at ORD in Greensboro and this year at Charlotte.

Jack Russell, Randolph Field,



**BALL HAWKS**—High in the air after that rebound go two Cherry Pointers and two Cloudbusters, and as evident from the photo finish the Marines get it. Innocent but interested observers on the left are Leaky (16), of Pre-Flight, and Chema (4), of Cherry Point. The mid-air quartet are Vanbredakoff (11) and Allen (with only head showing), of Cherry Point, and Gleasner (26) and Tobias (23), of the Cloudbusters.



OTTO GRAHAM

and Nick Susoeff, Second Air Force, were the end choices, and Joe Stydhar, Fleet City NTS, teamed with Woudenberg at tackle.

The second team backfield lists Jack Jacobs, Fourth Air Force; Charlie Justice, Bainbridge; Glenn Dobbs, Second Air Force, and William Daley, Ft. Pierce. Vic Schleich, Iowa Pre-Flight, also made the second team at his tackle position.

## Quint Loses, Then Smothers Seymour Johnson By 75-36

Just what happened to Coach Dyke Raese's Cloudbusters Tuesday night against Seymour-Johnson Field no one seems to know but Pre-Flight supporters are hoping for more of the same next Monday at 1930 when the Laurenberg-Maxton quintet invaded Chapel Hill.

The starting Cloudbuster lineup read the same as the one which lost to Cherry Point on last Saturday night, 54 to 41. But it played differently, so much in fact that after five minutes of play there was little doubt of the outcome. That the final score favored the Pre-Flighters, 75 to 36, came as a surprise to none of those present.

### Mehl High Scorer

It was Bob Mehl, the lanky forward from Indianapolis, who led the scoring parade with 20 points. Otto Graham, still not at top playing condition, contributed 15 points as did Ed Leakey, a guard.

Ken Poppe led the scoring for the losers with 11 points, but the play of Ed Strall, former All-American at the University of Pittsburgh, caught the fancy of the crowd. The latter contributed eight points in addition to an excellent passing performance.

Coach Raese used every player in uniform—15 in all—during the contest. Other than the game Monday night one more is scheduled against Ft. Bragg here on next Wednesday night.

Several changes probably will occur during the next 10 days. Ed Leakey, a regular guard, and J. R. Tobias, a forward are on leave. They will miss the two contests next week, and also a game with Duke here on Dec. 29. W. D. Meador will replace Leakey on the starting five, while Tobias, the first forward substitute, will be replaced by S. A. Meserve.

## Bainbridge Chooses Anderson, (Guess Who)

Bainbridge, Md., Dec. 14.—Bainbridge Navy's coaching staff and players named Capt. Warren Anderson, end, and Otto Graham, back, on the all-opponent team of 1944.

The first team follows: ends, Anderson and Lamb, Maxwell Field; tackles, Defilippo, Peary, and Poole, Lejeune; guards, Vranka, Cherry Point, and Letlow, Peary; center, Matuza, Peary; backs, Morrow, Peary, Clements, Maxwell Field; Hirsch, Lejeune, and Graham.

## Twenty-One Games Remain As 'Buster Schedule Is Revised

Twenty-one games remain for the Cloudbusters' basketball team, according to the revised schedule announced this week by the Athletic Dept.

Among foes added since the start of the season are North Carolina State, Camp Peary, Wake Forest, Camp Lejeune, CASU 21, and the Edenton Marines.

### The schedule:

Dec. 18, Laurenberg-Maxton Field, here; 20, Fort Bragg, here; 29, Duke, here; Jan. 5, North Carolina State, at Raleigh; 6, Camp Butner, here; 10, Duke, at Durham; 13, Norfolk Air Station, here; 15, Camp Peary, at Camp Peary; 17, Camp Peary, here; 20, Jacksonville Air Station, at Jacksonville; 22, Norfolk Training Station, here; 24, Fort Bragg, at Fort Bragg; 27, Georgia Pre-Flight, here; 29, Camp Lejeune, here; 31, Edenton Marines, here; Feb. 3, Jacksonville Air Station, here; 5, Wake Forest, here; 7, CASU 21, here; 10, Georgia Pre-Flight, at Athens; 12, Wake Forest, at Wake Forest; 17, Naval Academy, at Annapolis.

### Class Ring Hunted

A small class ring with "Appomattox" engraved on the face has been lost by Cadet J. M. Hamilton, 57th, presumably in vicinity of Woollen Gym. Initials on the inside were "A.E.P." Cadet Hamilton is anxious for its return.