## Cagers Face State; Boxers Open Monday Quint Seeks Fifth Decision In A Row Tonight At Raleigh <br> Graham Is Gaining But Mehl, Meador Gets Handicap In Still Top Scorers <br> Bob Mehl, with a grand total <br> Emory And Henry 120-Pound Class <br> When the Cloudbusters open

With four straight victories behind them and five wins in seven contests in all, the Cloudbusters tonight will tackle a college quint for the second consecutive week when they journey to Raleigh to play North Carolina State. Game time is scheduled for 2000.

Duke's Blue Devils, beaten by a 58 -to- 43 score in a thriller last Friday, were the first collegians to test the Pre-Flighters and the largest crowd of the season came away with the impression that the 'Busters' best play still is ahead of them.

## Leakey, Tobias Return

It was one of the finest games the Cloudbusters have played all season and in "victory the cagers found a "new" ace. With 11 field goals and five free throws for 27 points, Otto Graham picked up where he left off on the gridiron, where he was an All-America for two straight seasons. Rapidly rounding into shape, Graham has been piling up points so rapidly that he now ranks third in scoring and, with a 16 -point average, stands first in this respect.
For tonight's game the 'Busters will be strengthened by the return of D. E. Leakey and J. R. Tobias, who have missed the last three contests.
During the first 15 minutes of play, neither Pre-Flight nor Duke held more than a threepoint lead but shortly before the half Graham and Dean Meador scored rapidly to earn a $29-22$ lead. In the second half play continued furiously and PreFlight was only four points ahead with three minutes remaining. Then, while attempting to freeze the ball, the 'Busters cracked Duke's defense wide open and Graham bucketed thrice and Meador and Bob Mehl once each to ice the game.

## Dye Stork Consistent

 But Likewise ObligingAt 9:33 a. m. on Dec. 30, 1943, a baby girl was born to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. William H. H. Dye at Duke Hospital. A year later almost to the hour-6:30 a. m., Dec. 30, 1944-child No. 2 arrived. Though consistent in time, the Stork obligingly showed sufficient variation to bring a boy the second trip, William H. H. Dye, III. The new heir weighed in at seven pounds, three ounces.

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 of 93 points tallied in seven contests, still holds top billing with the Cloudbuster quintet. Following the Duke contest, Mehl showed a record of 47 fielders and 11 charity chances. In second place, with 82 points, is Dean Meador, who in seven performances has racked up 35 goals and 12 free throws.

Coming up fast and showing a 16 point-per-game average is Otto Graham. Graham leads the field in game average, and in five games played shows 27 field goals, 24 free throws to total 78 points. In the Duke court battle last week, Graham sank swishers to the tune of 27 points alone.
With seven games recorded, including the Duke contest, the leaders in total points registered are as follows:

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| Meh1 | 7 | 41 | 11 | 93 | 13 |
| Meador | 7 | 35 | 12 | 82 | 12 |
| Graham | 5 | 27 | 24 | 78 | 16 |
| Leakey | 4 | 16 | 5 | 37 | 9 |
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## Mehl Used Lard Bucket, Volley Ball To Get That Scoring Eye

It was an ordinary lard bucket that started Cadet Bob Mehl on the road to becoming a regular with the Cloudbuster basket ball team.

An older brother brought home
this lard bucket one day and, securing it to a tree, gave Bob a volleyball and told him to "start practicing."

Mehl grew up in Indianapolis, Ind., where he attended Arsenal Technical High School. Tech High is one of the three largest high schools in the United States, boasting around 8,000 students. It continuously has turned out high ranking basket ball teams for the North Central Conference and the city of Indianapolis.

Graduating from a church team, where he played his first real basketball, to the freshman squad of Arsenal Tech, Bob played three years of varsity ball.

## Also Instructs In Swimming

He was captain of the team in his senior year, when 20 of 23 games played were won. This same year he was chosen AllCity, All-Sectional, and All-Conference forward, and he scored more points in any one game than any rival. Playing with the Cloudbusters against Sey-mour-Johnson he tallied 20
 make in high school.

Bob is an Eagle Scout and, during the summer months prior to his enlistment in the Navy, he taught swimming at a scout camp near Indianapolis.
Upon graduation from high school in ' 43 he was awarded the Barton Bradley Award as one of the four outstanding students in the class. Bob is 19, weighs 163 pounds, and stands more than six feet.
In addition to basket ball, he points-one point more than the participated in baseball prior to
their boxing season next Monday, Jan. 8, against Emory \& Henry College in Woollen Gym they will start with a one-bout deficit because of failure to produce a 120 -pounder
Despite this handicap Lieut J. A. Young, head ring coach expects his ringmen to give a good account of themselves in the opening test. The first bout will begin at 1930 and, to round out the card, an exhibition, welter or middleweight, will be added to create eight contests

Two Weights Undecided
Because there are no cadets light enough to fight at 120 pounds, Coach Young also expects that against Virginia Maryland, and Cherry Point he will be forced to forfeit the fly weight bouts.

In two weights, 127 pounds and heavyweight, Coach Young still is undecided. Either Jim Calvey or Jerry Kasparian will fight at 127 pounds. Al Salkowski, 135; Connie Squiteirri, 145; Jim MacConnachie; A. D. Byrd, 165, and J. J. Packo, 175, are all set in their respective divisions. For his heavyweight Coach Young will choose between William Moore and Ralph Huneycutt.

Following Monday's engagement, the Cloudbuster ringmen will idle until Jan. 20, when they box Virginia at Charlottesville. On Jan. 27 Cherry Point will invade here and on Feb. 2 the 'Busters will play host to Maryland, returning the visit to College Park, Md., on Feb. 10.

## OPERATIONAL REPORT

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