

More Competitive Sports Are Urged For U. S. Schools

"There is no question in my mind about the contribution of sports toward winning the war," declared Comdr. William R. (Killer) Kane, USN, in an address to about 35 college athletic directors at the opening session of the schedule-making conference of the central office for Eastern intercollegiate athletics last week in New York.

The head of Physical and Military Training for Naval Aviation, under the Director of the Aviation Training Division, told of his own observations in the Pacific war zone on the importance of physical condition. The Navy's plan, he said, calls for a stiff competitive program beginning in the Pre-Flight Schools and continuing even after training is completed.

The success of the Navy's strenuous physical training program proves the need of more competitive athletics, Comdr. Kane said, and he added: "We believe in varsity sports very much but we also believe every individual should have a chance to participate in competitive athletics."

Fit Pilots Recovered

Compulsory military training would get boys in good physical condition, continued the war ace, but he indicated that one year of training would not be adequate. He proposed a competitive program for every boy, beginning in grade school and continuing through college.

"The boys who were in good physical condition and who made the best marks in physical tests we gave aboard a carrier were the ones I knew were good pilots. They got malaria and tropical diseases like the rest around Guadalcanal but the boys who kept in shape recovered."

Don't Spread It Around: Marines Like Bath Soap

South Pacific (CNS)—No one would even suggest that the members of the 4th Marine Air Wing are sissies—but they do like perfumed soap.

Reason is that the water available to them for showering, shaving, etc., is brackish and odorous. The odor, best described as sulphurous, made bathing unwelcome until the arrival of high-powered, sweet-smelling soap.

OPERATIONAL REPORT

ARRIVALS
Lt. John E. Davidson, Company Officer; George G. Belisvia, Sm2c, from NPFS, Athens, Ga.; Carie B. Baker, Y1c, from Bunker Hill, Ind.; WAVES; Wilda Baker, Y2c, from NAS New Orleans, La.; WAVES.

DEPARTURES
Lt. Comdr. William G. Killinger, NAS Deland, Fla.; Lt. Comdr. William C. Clark, CnaTra, Pensacola, Fla.; Lt. Lloyd H. Lux, ConSeven, Miami, Fla.; Lt. Robert S. Grieve, Naval ContrTraCon, Davisville, R. I.

Tojo 'Streamlines' Lt. (jg) Boren's TBF In Big Battle But Former Cadet Here Has Last Laugh

By Harold E. Hanson, Sp(P)2c

It is highly possible that on the eventful morning of Oct. 24, 1944, a former Carolina Pre-Flight cadet was flying one of the most streamlined TBF's in the Pacific war theater. At least the plane's radioman, of Spanish descent, thought so when he scrambled into position after being knocked from his seat by ack-ack.

"Meestair Boren," he shouted, noting the port elevator and stabilizer had been carried away, "they hawv streemline our airoplane."

With elevator and stabilizer torn away, Tojo was off to a ripping start in his battle with Lieut. (jg) Howard G. Boren but despite these handicaps, plus rapidly-emptying gasoline tanks, flaps which wouldn't work, a stuck tail wheel and throttle, landing gear which was frozen while down and oil covering the windshield, the former platoon leader in the Sixth Battalion had the last laugh.

Plants 'Fish' At 200 Feet

He put his "fish" squarely into the side of the Jap super-destroyer, *Terutsuki*, at 200 feet, miraculously escaped further flak, and headed for his carrier. That he managed to land safely was attested by his presence in



Home from the Pacific, Lieut. (jg) Howard G. Boren, former Pre-Flight cadet here, not only addressed AFT cadets last week but looked up an old friend, Miss Shroy Lange of Chapel Hill, sophomore at U.N.C. Lieut. (jg) Boren is pictured showing Miss Lange some of the places where he met up with Tojo.

Chapel Hill last week, when he addressed AFT cadets.

Flying off the *USS San Jacinto*, Lieut. (jg) Boren had been among the pilots patrolling for nearly a week without making contact but about 0300 on Oct. 24 he was awakened with the announcement that Japs were less than 30 miles away. Before the exact position was determined fleets of F6F's and TBF's were in the air. More than three hours later the Japs' huge array of floating armament was sighted.

Lieut. (jg) Boren was flying No. 9 in his squadron—tail man on the runs. He put his ship into a dive on a Jap aircraft carrier, which was turning to avoid the attack and which finally hit the TBF. While struggling to regain control, Lieut. (jg) Boren heard his crew gunner point out a "cruiser" that apparently had no way on. Without port elevator or stabilizer no right turn could be made but the plane was banked left at mast height over the bridge of a Nipponese battlewagon and traveling in a pattern of ack-ack the young Navy pilot lined up for a running shot. It was not until later that he learned the dead "cruiser" was the super-destroyer, *Terutsuki*.

Return Equally Difficult

"We flew so close to the decks of those Jap battlewagons," Lieut. (jg) Boren recalled, "I'd swear they were throwing rocks at us."

Equally difficult was the return. Approaching his carrier, Lieut. (jg) Boren was waved off because of no flaps and too high

a speed. He tried again and once more was waved off. "I was mad as the devil," he said. "The rest of the guys were on the deck and each time I'd pass they'd wave and holler and motion for me to try again. I knew the darn crate would only stand about one more of these circles so I pleaded for permission to bring her in, crash or no crash."

"The word was passed to clear all spectators and to man the fire-fighting stations as we circled for the third try. We came in plenty hot, blew our starboard tire, and prayed. The hook caught and we jerked to a stop. No one was hurt but don't ask why."

The squadron to which Lieut. (jg) Boren was assigned numbered 13 pilots with nine planes and included three other former Chapel Hill cadets, Lieut. (jg) Douglas H. West, Fourth Batt; Lieut. (jg) George H. W. Bush, Sixth Batt, and Ens. Milton G. Moore, 17th Batt. The rest of the squadron, with the exception of the skipper, exec and a lieutenant (jg), was composed of Pre-Flight cadets from other schools.

Lieut. (jg) Boren, with more than 100 hours of combat flying in a single month, expects to report soon for more Pacific duty. During his first tour his squadron participated in the attacks on Wake and Marcus, the invasion of Saipan, strikes against the Bonin and Volcano Islands and against Tinian, Guam, Rota, Palau, Yap, Utiki and Okinawajima. He hails from Hubbard, O.

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tions reflect the highest credit upon Comdr. McCampbell and the United States Naval Service."

Born in Bessemer, Ala., on Jan. 16, 1910, Comdr. McCampbell was graduated from the Naval Academy with the class of '33 and has spent virtually all of his 11 years in the Naval Service at sea.

'The Fighting Lady'

"The Fighting Lady," which will be shown here, was filmed entirely by Navy cameramen in planes and aboard seven different *Essex*-class carriers. The movie contains a complete picture of carrier life, plus numerous action shots from gun cameras showing Jap planes being shot down and ships sunk.

Action stretches from the time the carrier receives its crew and goes through the Panama Canal until it hits the combat zone. Attacks on Marcus, Kwajalein, Truk, Guam, Saipan, Tinian and the Philippine Sea battle are featured. It is scheduled to be shown in movie theatres over the nation to give the public a ringside seat in naval aviation at war with the Japs.

COMING EVENTS

TONIGHT

BASKETBALL
Cloudbusters vs. Jacksonville Naval Air Station, Woollen gym at 1930.

BOXING
Cloudbusters vs. University of Maryland, Woollen gym, at 2100.

SATURDAY

MOVIES
Village: Free movies, "Lady in the Dark," with Ginger Rogers and Ray Milland. Features at 1315 and 1502. "The Impostor," with Jean Gabin and Allyn Joslyn. Feature at 1900. (One show only in the evening).

Carolina: "Experiment Perilous," with Hedy Lamarr and George Brent. Pick: "Missing Juror," with Janis Carter.

SWIMMING
Bowman Gray Pool: Sixth Annual Carolinas A.A.U. Open Swimming Meet, 1900.

DANCE
Woollen gym: President's Birthday Ball for Infantile Paralysis Fund, 2100 to 2400. Tickets \$1.00 per person.

SUNDAY

DIVINE SERVICES
Protestant: Memorial Hall at 1000. Catholic: Gerrard Hall at 0630, Hill Music Hall at 1000. Jewish: Hillel House at 1000.

MOVIES
Village: Free movies, "Make Your Own Bed," with Jane Wyman and Jack Carson. Features at 1300 and 1517. Carolina: "Here Come the Waves," with Bing Crosby, Betty Hutton and Sonny Tufts. Pick: "Alaska," with Kent Taylor and Margaret Lindsay.

MONDAY

BASKETBALL
Cloudbusters vs. Wake Forest, Woollen gym, at 1930.

WEDNESDAY

MEMORIAL HALL
Address to regiment of cadets by Comdr. David McCampbell, USN, and showing of Navy film, "The Fighting Lady."