CLASS COMMITTEE AT

As we approach completion of our third full year of cadet life in the Academy, we have to begin thinking of our activities after graduation. One of our primary contacts outside of the Air Force - Army football games will be found in our Alumni Association.

The Class Committee, Class of 1959, is presently in the process of setting up the beginnings of the association with the aid of Lt. Col. Townsend.

Some of the more outstanding ideas brought up by representatives and the information from their squadrons are in the realm of big-time operation which isn't too far outside of our consideration for the next twenty or thirty years. One of these is some-thing akin to group insurance. Whether the association could compete with outside concerns is a subject of conjecture, but there is a definite possibility after it has sufficient concerned members. Another idea flying pay insurance. Again, the committee doesn't know whether the association could compete with people like the Air Force Association or not or whether it would be profitable to do so. Other ideas along the lines of "we take care of our own" were in the line of aids in disability, jobfinding in such cases, etc.

A magazine was suggested for the association and a central agency to handle correspondence and "Information Please" type operations. The idea of a magazine seems to have a high popularity, and it wouldn't be too difficult to set one up. The idea of keeping tabs on your classmates throughout your service career and after is a good one. Reunions and other activities along these lines could be handled through the association, and if we get ambitious, we may

be able to set up our own quarters at the site.

The Class Committee welcomes any and all suggestions concerning the association. We're working from twenty to thirty years in advance so don't be afraid to advance big operation plans.

Lee

SERVICE NEWS

The Army has been the first to use the rocket to carry its air mail over a reasonable distance. The letter was transported 1,500 miles by the Jupiter missile in twenty minutes to Maj. Gen. J. B. Medaris, Chief of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, and marked "via rocket mail."

NAVY SCHOOL TRAINS PROSPECTIVE AF

Bainbridge NTC, Md.
A detachment of prospective Air Force officers is being trained at the Naval Preparatory School here.

The school, which prepares men to enter the Naval Academy, is being used also as a prep school for the Air Force Academy.

The AF group here, known as Det. 2 of the Air Force Academy, consists of 53 airmen, two sailors, a soldier, and a marine. There are five AF officers on the faculty of the Naval Preparatory School.

AFPS

The Air Force comes through again. When the moon man of the recent sevenday jaunt in an altitude chamber was asked what he wanted most immediately after getting out of the chamber, he answered, "cigarettes." In typical Air Force fashion, he had thought very little of his girl...so he said.

AFPS

RICHARD D. DAVIS

NOTHING CAN BE ADEQUATELY SAID OF THE DEATH OF ONE OF OUR OWN. HE WAS THE FIRST--IME AND NOT BE THE LAST, AND HE WALLET MISSED.
OUR SYMPATHY IS JOINED WITH THAT OF THOSE WHO KNEW HE DEST.

MARRIAGE INSTITUTE LECTURE

This Sunday, 2 March, the second presentation in the Marriage Institute series will be given at Arnold Hall at 1815. The speaker will be Father Forsythe, head of the C.U. Newman Club; his subject will be the many aspects of pre-marital relations---going steady, engagements, etc.

Father Forsythe has been at C.U. since the end of W.W. II -- twelve years working with the Newman Club. The prewar days, from 137 to 141, found him working with Catholic youth organizations in San Diego. Then came four years in the So. Pacific as Assignments inan Army chaplain. cluded a hitch with an army hospital, more than a year with the infantry in New Guinea, and the final four months with our tanks in the Philippines. It was there that he lost his leg and received the Purple Heart. But where he received his Silver Star, I don't know----we can find that out Sunday night.

Father Forsythe has devoted his life to people our age. Though all he needs for his Ph.D. in philosophy and history is his thesis, he'd rather leave it there, having last studied at St. Louis Univ. and Fordham. In his own words, he's a "lucky priest, for he's worked only with young people." Larry Thomson, who called Father Forsythe to get this info, commented to me that Father Forsythe speaks with a tone of freshness and enthusiasm, even over the phone.

Don't think I'm wrong in saying that everyone who attended the first presentation certainly enjoyed the discussion. The way Larry put it, Father Forsythe has the vigor and understanding young people want, and having been at C.U. this long, he'll have a lot of experience to draw from. So, if you're interested, drop over Sunday evening, Dates and friends are welcome.

Joe DeSantis

But SIR ...

I WAS ONLY EXAMINING HER NECKLACE!

TRUE-COURSE CAREER

A glance at the military scene this week brings into view the so-called "White Charger" proposal, a promotion selection device designed to complement the Cordiner Pay Plan. The military, in its endeavor to improve the overall quality of its officer corps, has proposed a promotion plan which. among other things, would give promotions on a "best qualified", rather than a "fully qualified" basis. This would call for a qualitative decision on the part of any promotion board as to which officers of the group under consideration have the best general abilities and qualities for promotion, and would relegate seniority and age to somewhat of a secondary role in the determination of qualification for rank. The possibility of promotion passover would be much more prevalent under such a plan, but mandatory separation after two passovers would probably be dropped, and a new figure adopted. Several officials in Washington, both in uniform and out, have expressed supporting opinions on the idea, and it is generally felt that the near future will mark the advent of at least this one aspect of the new plan. The other main parts of the proposal are these:

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Require a "best qualified" system for promotion to permanent Major and above.

Establish a system whereby a promotion board could select officers for promotion to the rank of permanent major and above who were not qualified under the "time in grade" promotion provision, up to five percent of the promotion quota.

Set up a minimum quota for promotion to the ranks of permanent Major and Lieutenant Colonel of eighty percent of the number eligible.

Allow the Service Secretary to retire any officer with over twenty years service whose retention would not be considered in the best interests of the service concerned.

These last four divisions of the plan would apply to Regular officers only, by the way.

In line with the thinking behind "White Charger", the AF has been conducting, and is in the process of completing, an Air Force wide survey of all officer jobs which call for rated skills, the purpose of the survey being to isolate skills demanding rated officers and remove rated officers, insofar as possible, from non-flying jobs where they were not needed, replacing them with non-rated officers. Publication of the results of the survey are expected in the very near future.

Perhaps we are witnessing a new era in our military world, certainly the spirit of change for improvement's sake is here. The members of the AF of twenty to thirty years ago certainly would agree that the present service, in its rapidly changing state, is quite removed from that of the early years of their careers. The quality of our Air Force, from a manpower point of few, must improve. The fate of our nation demands it. It is to be hoped that the changing nature of the service and its relationship with its members is for the better, and not for confusion .------DMG

5º COLUMN

As happens occasionally the work load becomes unbearable and we must get away from it all. Luckily the FT people have provided us with a method for leaving our work and taking a trip to some distant place. For instance I flew to New Mexico the other day via such a sterling route as C. Springs, Pueblo, two dead cows, and a clump of sage brush. Of course the male stewards are not as good as the kind you find on United, but the service is good. The stewards abounded with wit, also. One said "You're on the ball with Rosenthal," and the other quickly rejoins with some pat phrase like; "Its no joke when you fly with Koch."

I hear the fencing team has a number of new additions what with all the saber-clad souls running about. I can visualize it now... Take that and that! You doolie, you! Or, as a white glove is slapped into someone's face... Sabers at supper in the west quad. We may even be able to start secret dueling fraternities and the mark of a man will be a saber slash across freshly spit-shined shoes. Then too they can be used for such worthwhile activities as mumbly peg, apple peeling, darts, or toad-sticking.

I think the accident last week raised a latent question in most of our minds. Why is it that some ROTC units have a safe flying program and we do not? Certainly there seem to be only two possibilities open. Either curtail flying altogether, or institute a flying program.

I think a coordination committee ought to be created to coordinate between us and certain girls' colleges in the vicinity. The reason for this was made clear last weekend when for some reason our weekend privilege and that of the girls did not coincide. Some say that the girls were not allowed a week end if they were dating a Cadet on leave. This is undoubtedly a nasty rumor which could be dispelled by such a committee.

(Ed. Ha!)

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Well, it looks like the past two weeks have been "those" kind of weeks. Last week we were abysmally late; this week we're ridiculously short of material. First of all, Murphy had a little difficulty in getting hold of the intramural results. Secondly, Sadler's little gem is nowhere to be found. Thirdly, I finally got some letters to the editor, but all of them were unsigned. Supposedly, it is our policy not to print anonymous material. We do once in a while simply because we don't know who wrote it—exactly. e.g., rewrites of AFNS stories, who do we credit, AFNS, or the re-writer? Maybe I'll get us sued or something for my ignorance.

We're sorry about the lateness of the last issue. It won't happen again. Ha!

I've had a few requests to print ads. Be glad to. No guaranteed sale though.

Also had some comments from OIS. Our hyphenation is terrible. Anyone knowing anything about hyphenation please contact some member of the DODO Staff.

As an afterthought Hines dropped in with the latest basketball statistics yesterday. As an afterthought we'll tack the statistics on at the bottom of this page so I won't have to write so much.

I would like to thank those of you who did send in letters to the editor, but please hang your name on said letters in the future. If you're simply burning with fervor and blast some particular segment of the Academy with potent prose then we'll withhold your name if you request that we do. We may withhold the article too. After all, we have a right to live too.

Also had many unfavorable comments on the abstractness of our cartoons. We'll do our best to be funny in lieu of being practical and just filling up holes.

See you next week unless the AOC finds the keg of beer hidden in my laundry-bag.

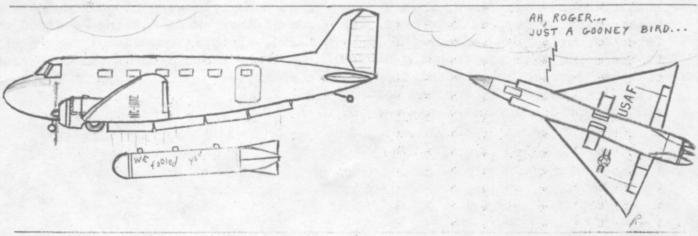
LATEST BASKETBALL STATISTICS

Bob Beckel still leads the Air Force Academy basketball team in scoring according to the latest basketball statistics released by the Department of Athletics. The Falcon ace has amassed a 22.2 average, while racking up 421 markers. Don Wolfswinkel leads in rebounds, with 158.

GAMES	FGA	FG	PCT.	FTA	FT	PCT.	REB	PTS	AVG.	

The figures:

Bob Beckel	19	345	157	.455	148	107	.723	108	421	22.2
Bob Williams	19	221	96	.434	87	52	.598	115	244	12.8
Don Wolfswinkel	19	218	94	.431	60	42	.700	158	230	12.1
Ron Deep	19	90	38	.422	67	32	.478	117	108	5.7
Larry Thomson	16	72	27	.375	29	18	.621	27	72	4.5
Bob Blake	19	73	22	.301	18	11	.611	47	55	2.9
Tony Long	14	23	6	.261	35	25	.714	57	37	2.6





FALCON FILINGS by Hines

The spectacular success of the Air Force Academy basketball team this season has been the talk of sports writers throughout the region for the past month. The Falcons, sporting a 16-5 record as of last Sunday, had the best record on the Eastern slope of the Rockies. As compared to last year's 11-10 slate, the present record is somewhat sensational.

Much of the credit for the unprecedented success must go to coach Major Bob Spear, who originated the now-famous "Spear stall," and found the key to "little men" beating "big men" on the basketball court. With a scorer of established reputation in Bob Beckel, the Cadets were given a post-season rating as a fair team with one excellent star. But few sports writers felt that the

Academy would emerge as a regional power.

Spear used Beckel as a decoy in early games, allowing Bob Williams and Don Wolfswinkel to garner most of the points. As the season progressed, teams began to catch onto these tactics and when they changed their defense to meet the enlarged threat, Spear loosed the reins on Beckel and Big Bob ran rampant through the opposition's defenses. In addition, the stall was added to the offensive pattern, allowing the Falcon hoopsters to maintain a small lead late in the game and methodically pick up insurance points on foul shots and easy layups.

The Cadets close the season this week with games against Colorado College, whom they defeated earlier in the season, and Regis, nationally ranked as 19th in the United Press small college poll. The cross-town rivals have Dennis Boone, a tall center with a good scoring touch, who should provide some trouble to Ron Deep, tallest Academy player at 6-4, and the game promises to be a fitting ending to what has been the Falcons' best varsity season in the Academy's short history.

In the <u>Denver Post</u> last Sunday there was an article on the formation of a lacrosse league in the metropolitan Denver Area. The movement probably stems from a thinly veiled attempt by Academy Physical Education authories to stimulate the sport in this area, where it was virtually unknown before it was introduced as an intramural sport at the Academy last spring.

There has been considerable interest by the Cadet Wing in forming a varsity lacrosse team, but the big problem has been the lack of competition in the area. Most of the big lacrosse schools are in the East, Navy having one of the

strongest aggregations.

There has been some official recognition of the Cadets' wishes in this area of late, but most of the work has been of the undercover variety. It doesn't appear that lacrosse will appear on a varsity level until we get settled in the Permanent Site, but things look bright from that point on.

PENSIVE MEANDERINGS—The NCAA wrestling championships will be held on March 28—29 at the University of Wyoming. Lack of NCAA recognition prevents AFA from sending competitors like Charley Zaleski.....Wyoming's Tony Windis, tough against AFA, has relinquished his Skyline Conference scoring lead to BYU's John Nicoll, 23.7-23.0....the rifle team will travel to the Naval Academy on March 15 with ten men to fire against the middies.....Colorado University's track team, second in the Big Seven last year, has lost 11 men from last year's team. This group accounted for 63 of CU's 84 in the Big Seven outdoor competition in 1957 when Kansas won first place, scoring 160 points, to the Buff's second place 84.

HOOPSTERS DOWN HIGHLANDS, SHADED BY COLORADO

The Air Force Academy basketball team, once again led by Bob Beckel, put on a tremendous second half scoring show in trouncing New Mexico Highlands, 76-51, last Wednesday at the Lowry Gymnasium. Unable to put together an effective second half attack against Colorado University, the Falcons dropped a 54-50 decision to the Buffs Saturday night at Boulder.

The Academy battled Highlands to a 30-30 draw at halftime, but the attack

began to congeal in the second half and the Falcons outscored the visitors 46 began to congeal in the second half and the Falcons outscored the visitors 46 to 21 in the final twenty minutes. Beckel fired 19 points through the hoop, while Larry Thompson had 13 and Ron Deep 12 for the Falcons. The absence of Don Wolfswinkel hurt the Cadets in the game's primary stages, as the Third Classman is a top rebounder and good playmaker. The Falcons' foul shooting was again accurate—18 for 22—and the winners hit 29 of 68 from the floor.

Colorado put up a rigid second half defense to halt the Academy's high-scoring. The first half was closely contested, with the Cadets holding a two-point 34—32 advantage at halftime. The Falcons attempted to stall in the second half, but the firm CU defense cracked the AFA delayed offensive and gave the home team three quick baskets for a six point lead with only two minutes.

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The Buffs' winning margin came at the foul line, where they connected with 18 of 25 free throws. The Academy led in field goals, 21-18, but garnered only eight shots at the penalty line. Beckel, the only Cadet in double figures, picked up 19 points. Bob Williams, Wolfswinkel and Tony Burshnick all chimed in with eight each. Matt Baskin, with 15 points, and Gerry Schroeder, with 13, paced the Colorado attack.

This week the Falcons will close out their season with a tilt with Colorado College on Wednesday and the finale with Regis on Saturday. The Falcons are heavy favorites to take CC, whom they defeated earlier in the year, but the Regis game promises to be a real battle.

"B" BASKETBALL TEAM DOWNS REGIS "B"

Dana Lentz scored 22 points in leading the Air Force Academy "B" basketball team to an easy 68-47 victory over the Regis "B" team last Saturday at the Lowry Gymnasium. Terry Norris added 18 markers to the Academy total.

The Falcons led by 32-17 at halftime and despite heavy substitution, continued to pile up the points. Regis came back strong in the second half, losing the period only 36-30, but the first half AFA advantage was too much to overtake. Mike Quinlan was the only other Falcon in double figures, popping in 11 points, the same number as Dick Schroer, the losers' high man.

RIFLE TEAM TAKES 17TH STRAIGHT

Bob Siteman and Floyd Hester each fired a 289x300 to lead the rifle team to an easy victory over the Colorado University Air Force and Navy ROTC teams Saturday at Boulder. It was the Cadets' seventeenth consecutive shoulderto-shoulder victory.

The AFA marksmen had a 1439x1500 to sweep the field. The CU NROTC team was second with 1378, followed by the AFROTC with 1348.

PISTOL TEAM WINS INITIAL MATCH

The Air Force Academy pistol team, limited to postal and intra-squad competition until last Saturday, came through with a 1294x1257 victory over New Mexico Military Institute in the season's first shoulder-to-shoulder match at the Lowry Indoor Range.

John Hutchinson fired a 272x300 to pace the Falcons, but was bested for high honors by Art Askins of New Mexico, who fired 281.

GYMNASTS VICTORIOUS OVER NEBRASKA, COLORADO

Hank Canterbury, John Howell, Jon Shafer and Larry Jolly all captured firsts as the Air Force Academy gymnastics team swept a triangular meet, 51-45-16, over Nebraska and Colorado, respectively, last Saturday at the Cadet Gymnasium. The Falcons dominated the field, but failed to place a man in the top three in the free exercise event.

Canterbury and Vin Scott finished 1-2 on the trampoline, followed in third place by Don Krist of Nebraska, who also won the free exercise. Howell took

the high bar as Colorado captured the other two places.

Jolly and Clark Lovrien took the first two places on the flying rings, while Shafer and Mike Love captured similar positions on the parallel bars. Paul O'Connor took second in tumbling and Roger Schemenaur was third on the side horse.

In a dual meet with Nebraska, AFA shaded the Huskers, 59-53, while both the Academy and Nebraska walloped Colorado by like scores, 73-39, in other dual action.

This week the gymnasts take on regional rival Colorado State College at the Academy. The Falcons hope to avenge an earlier loss to the Greeley team. On the following weekend the Cadets travel to Lincoln, Nebraska for the College Invitational, in which they finished third last year, behind Nebraska and Western Illinois.

SKI TEAM PLACES SECOND IN MINES INVITATIONAL

The Air Force Academy made its best showing in two years of competition in placing second in the six-team Colorado Mines! Invitational two weeks ago at Winter Park. The Falcons won the cross-country, took second in the slalom and finished third in the down hill for an overall second place.

Pete Burton took second place in the Skimeister (overall performance), followed by J.J. d'Aquin in fourth place and Bruce Hinds in eighth. Burton amassed an overall 271.25, finished second in the cross-country, seventh in the

down hill and 11th in the slalom.

The Falcons scored 352.67 to take the cross-country, followed closely by Camp Hale, Colorado, with 334.94. Burton took second; John Miltner, third; Swainston, fourth; and Madonna sixth to clinch the event. d'Aquin finished in ninth place and Hinds in 18th.

Camp Hale, a training site for the U.S. Army ski troops, won the down hill and the slalom. In the down hill, the Falcons' 336.60 trailed Camp Hale's 395.13 and Colorado Mines' 354.68. Burton took seventh and John Hayes tenth in the event. d'Aquin came in 13th, Hinds in 14th and Bob Brickey in 24th.

Camp Hale took the slalom with 378.12 with the Cadets taking second with 322.07. Mines was third with 319.77 and Regis took fourth with 287.94. Madonna was the highest Cadet finisher in ninth place, following in order by Miltner (tenth) and Burton (eleventh).

Camp Hale won the tournament with 1108.19. The Academy had an overall 1011.34. Other teams competing were Colorado Mines, Colorado College, Regis,

and Fort Lewis.

ACADEMY GYMNASTS DRUB DU AND CSU

The Air Force Academy gymnastics team captured two of the first three spets in every event as the Falcons easily defeated Denver University and Colorado State University, 74-19-19, in a triangular meet at the Cadet Gymnasium last week.

The Cadets swept the trampoline and high bar competition in completely dominating the opposition. Roger Schemanaur and Dick Shepard on the side horse, Jon Shafer and Mike Love on the parallel bars, and Clark Lovrien and Jim O'Rourke on the flying rings finished one-two to pace these events. Hank Canterbury, Dave Bradshaw and Vince Scott swept the trampoline, while Jack Howell Bill Gibbons and Tom House repeated this performance on the horizontal bar. Art Lewis and Bradshaw finished second and third in the tumbling competition behind Denver's Dave Dierdorf, while Lewis won the free exercise, with Mike Love in third place.

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INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

This week:

BASKETBALL--USAFA vs. Colorado College at Lowry Gym Wednesday, February 26 at 1545

USAFA vs. Regis College at Denver Auditorium

Saturday, March 1 at 2115

GYMNASTICS -- USAFA vs. Colorado State College at AFA

Saturday, March 1 at 1400 WRESTLING -- USAFA vs. Colorado University at Boulder

Saturday, March 1 at 2000 SWIMMING--USAFA vs. Kansas University at AFA

Friday, February 28 at 1530 USAFA vs. Utah University at AFA

Saturday, March 1 at 1430 FENCING--USAFA vs. Denver Fencing Club at AFA Saturday, March 1 at 1400

RIFLE--USAFA vs. Wyoming University at Laramie Saturday, March 1 at 1330

Next week:

GYMNASTICS--USAFA competes in the College Invitational at Lincoln, Neb. Fri-Sat, March 7-8

WRESTLING--USAFA vs. Wyoming University at AFA

Saturday, March 8 at 1500

SWIMMING--USAFA vs. UCLA at Los Angeles, Calif.

Saturday, March 8 at 1500

FENCING -- USAFA vs. Kansas University and Colorado University at AFA

Saturday, March 8 at 1330

RIFLE--USAFA vs. Kansas State College and Montane State College at AFA Saturday, March 8 at 1330

TOM BERRY NAMED AS BACKFIELD COACH

Tom Berry, backfield coach at the University of Virginia for four years, the past two under Ben Martin, will serve in the same capacity under Martin at the Air Force Academy, it was announced last week by Colonel George B. Simler, Director of Athletics.

Martin had named Berry as top choice for the backfield coach position, but waited in his selection until it was determined whether or not Berry was in

line for the position of head coach at Virginia, vacated by Martin.

Berry, 28, is a Virginia graduate, lettered three years for the Cavaliers in both football and baseball. He is a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War, is married and has three-year old son and a two-year old daughter. Berry and Martin will report to the Academy as soon as they clear up personal business in Virginia.

SHAW NAMED AS EAGLES HEAD COACH

Lawrence "Buck" Shaw, former Air Force Academy football coach, was named as head coach of the professional Philadelphia Eagles early last week.

21 MARCH per couple You say you have a leave coming up? ... your finances are so low you have to reach up to reach bottom? ... your girl won't settle for anything short of a good time? You say you don't know what to do??? Wing - Wing Ding