

THE AIR POWER ROOM

The professional aspect of the Air Force has found a strong foothold within the Cadet Wing. This has been engendered through the individual squadrons making their own Air Power rooms. Not all the squadrons call these rooms Air Power rooms, but they all serve the same function—that of furthering the professional education of the cadet.

Basically the Air Power rooms are for all classes, but many of them were created expressly for the Fourth Classmen. This was to provide them with a source of information about the Air Force within the squadron so that they would not have to be constantly running to the library. Unfortunately, many Fourth Classmen do not realize this potential of information that is at their fingertips. Some do not know that these rooms even exist and many do not bother to visit them. This is truly a wasted opportunity.

In addition to your own squadron, it might be interesting to visit the Air Power rooms of other squadrons in the area. Sixth Squadron has quite a few models that were built by the men of the squadron. Seventh has many professionally built models that are really fine. Fifth Squadron, which was one of the pioneers in the concept, is strangely bare at the moment. Just what they are planning is not known, but the results ought to be worth watching for.

If your squadron's Air Power room is becoming static, take a look around and see what other squadrons are doing in this area. You'll be surprised at the varied and interesting ideas that are on display.

In any event, keep professionalism alive in your squadron. WIEST'60

ED. COMMENTS IN ABSENTIA

Reeves is off in the hospital gold-bricking, so I find myself in the unfortunate position of putting the rag out. It seems that long, long ago we sold our souls to Mephistopheles for something, a part of the deal being the dooodooo, and we haven't been able to get away from it yet. Witness Reeves return to editor. The devil has his ways.

Which brings us to one of our writers, R.L. Penn. I understand he's selling his soul to pass Aero.

Wiest's article on pro-studies may be an indication of another Goodrich.... he doesn't have an article in this time....bad case of thermataeroitis I understand. Weist has the right idea anyway. He should do a good job until he becomes a firsty. He'll be worth nada then...or so they tell me.

Along the lines of the latest Form 10 purge, I heard a Second Classmen say, on receiving the quill, "Help, I've been led!"

Then there's the reason for the big move of the First Class...isolation.. don't let it spread.

Not long ago Reeves spoke of his roommate in rather snide terms, so I'm
taking this opportunity to return the
compliment...without the aid of his
copyreading, of course. Outside of
being bony and "He's got freckles on
his..but he is ugly," he has one or
two things that stand out. The first
is that he's an avid sportsman. His
favorite game is "roll the penny football." He makes up a line of pencils,
cigarette butts, and a cigarette—
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CYNIC'S CORNER

There are currently two schools of thought on the academics of the test class at this time. One springs from the old adage that necessity is the mother of invention; thus if you can not flunk out 10%, you can do an even better job by keeping 50% "D" all the last semester. The other kindergareten of thought is that we have already proven ourselves, now all we have to do is sit around for 30 more years.

This second idea should have been expected a long time ago from just a cursory look at our attitude towardgrades and learning. This is our best time to learn something, but how many are taking advantage of it? Now it is clear what our attitude has always been. We will be given our grades now; and there is not now, or ever has been any interest in knoweledge, professional, general, or otherwise.

The word I get, and I never get the straight word, is that they have upped the ante on riding the elevators. It's now a Class II, but the steps saved are not any more, and the fun is only a very little more, at best. We are now being graded in marching to meals. Now, whatever can this grade possibly prove? It proves something very important because Dr. Pavlov has us all working our heads off to win. "We're being graded today, meni" and everyone gets so tense that he can hardly digest his lunch. We had a big fire in our area tonight but no sweat. It was an electrical fire (it had to be because there is nothing else here that will burn). I wanted to play the hero and reveal my true nature, but there were no weapons available for electrical fires. The whole place could have burned! Speaking of fires, do you know why

all doors open to the outside? It is so that in case of fire, panic-striken people can get out more easily. Of course, this scheme gives the wind a better chance to get a ripping grip on a flimsy piece of architecture, and we end up an occasional locked door; but then that involves the spirit of the Reg, and that catch applies only to cadets.

You see, after last week, I can still write something perfectly worthless.

lighter playing heavy right guard at the base of the pillow mound on the rack. The action is to roll pennies up the pillow and let them roll back down through the line. He's also a sports car enthusiast. He races on graph paper with everything from a Maseratti to a broken down Alpha. The action again is to toss pennies to gain the lead. He's really enthusiastic about women too. I guess, it's all in the way you play the game.



The MAM who thinks
for himself will be at
the
ROMAIN BLAST

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The past several weeks on top of Mt. Seagram were very peaceful for old Brother Moses. Then I received some reports from my agents concerning a certain tyrant who was inhumane to a frog and some men. This tyrant was none other than Dr. Mac Kenzie. After remembering my underwater days during water survival, I shuddered at the idea of investigating this rumor.

Disguised as a cadet, one afternoon I infiltrated swimming practice. entering I was attacked by two young men in bikinis, who offered to "learn me how to swim" and threw them kickin or surf planks at me. (Almost reminding me of those days when I threw the stone tablets) I never did see that damn frog, seens he doesn't swim except for paying crowds. After lifeguard dragged several bodies from the water, Dr. Mac began his sermon: "Farquhar, your breaststroke is miserable, no dates this weekend! Congdon your :20 is far from setting a new 50 yard free-style Olympic record. You will swim 80 consecutive laps tonight and add 20 each succeeding night. Now Horin, if you don't chop another minute from your 200-yard backstroke, you will never set a pool record. Into the tank, men."

I heard a whip snap as the relay team went into action: "On Horin and Farquhar, faster Austin and O'Keefe." I was Canterbury leading a shark by two lengths. Blaisdell was chained to an anchor, to "keep him from jumping the gun, " as it was explained to me. diving coach, A/IC Carl Saganski (All AF Champion of '57), was pushing some screaming cadets off a jumping board, One feller had his hands tied to his feet, "so as to learn the proper position. I saw a body spinning-down, from the ceiling, doing twists, turns and flip-flops. That was Corin they and flip-flops. said, but I thought he should have a chance to try-out for the gymnastic team. As I turned to leave, a beach ball struck me in the head, and thus my recollection of that afternoon is somewhat hazy.

Well, come this past Saturday, them boys beat DU, which weren't so surprising to me. All the local papers say that this is another first for our Academy, but I just chuckle and see more such "firsts" in the future. Yes sir, that Dr. Mac's got a going organization!

Plagiarizing from Olson (John A., of Talon fame) a bit here, but the Year-book "Name That Book" contest is too good a meat to pass up. So men, here are a few suggested names, and to make the selection a little larger than was originally planned, there are several names in each category for you to choose if you do not like the original.

- 1. True Course --- (Heading; Altitude; Right Drift; Left Drift; Lost.)
- 2. Mach --- (Einstein; Newton; Freud.)
- 3. Slipstream --- (Windblast; Eject.)
- 4. Jet Stream --- (Mare's Tails; Cumu ulo Nimbus; 500 Millibars.)
- 5. Flightlog -- (E6-B; Dividers; Dog-tags; Barfbag.)

"Polaris" seems a pretty sure thing to get the vote, but somebody somewhere is bound to feel that this is too old-fashioned and Navyish, so we'd like to suggest a modern, romantic name----"Gyroscope."

Don A., Cadet, Third Squadron, USAF Academy, Colorado, writes us: Why not set up ratings for men who contribute outstanding service in writing up Form 10's? For example: 2,000 Form 10's resulting in at least 1000 tours and 50 months of restriction, would give a man a Senior Leadership Rating etc.

Sounds like a good idea Don, and it will be checked into "Will be checked into". . . . Old military expression meaning: Forget it Dad, I'm against it)

And 'Rose', Chairman of the Board, Ros-Al Productions Ltd.writes: Quo Vadis, est ergo proctor proctor hoc. Expost facto in nulli sucundus! Tigris-Euphrates eat two Brutus!!"

All of which adds up to, Come to the Roman Blast, 16th and Clarkson, on the 21st.

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S PORTS FALCON FILINGS By George H. Hines

With NCAA recognition for the Air Force Academy not too far away, it is not too early to start thinking about possible national championships. When the Class of 1959 graduates this June, the NCAA will reputedly recognize the Academy, a title that goes along with accreditation of the

academic program.

The football team has already proved its mettle in national competition, while other Falcon teams have taken on and defeated some of the country's finest, without recognition. In the next year or two, it would not be unreasonable to suppose that the Academy might pick up some nationwide publicity in swimming, gymnastics, fencing, sccer, track, basketball and baseball. Certainly the NCAA will want to make use of our athletic facilities (when completed) for national competitions and the phycical education setup here should yield many benefits.

So, while watching the Falcon teams in action this year, keep in mind that this is the last year of non-NCAA competition. From now on our

athletic teams will be officially in the national spotlight.

Falcon swimmers, who proved last weekend that Denver University is not unbeatable, rebounded from their most humiliating 1959 defeat at the hands of Wyoming a week ago. Splashers were giving part of the credit for their victory to Crown Prince Constantine of Greece, whose general amnesty allowed Captain Derry Adamson to compete and lead the relay teams to victory.

The Academy victory left the question of regional swimming superiority still undicided. The previous weekend Denver had edged Wyoming, who walloped the Falcons the following day. Thus the cadets rose within one week from their worst defeat to their greatest victory——the Pioneers had

not lost a dual meet since 1953.

PENSIVE MEANDERINGS..... The Falcon football team will take on Notre Dame in October of 1964.....both the fencing and gymnastics teams were "hometowned" by judging last weekend in Arizona, but the tumblers managed to pull out a victory over Arizona State Abe Grossfeld has scored 1382 and Don Tonry $94\frac{1}{2}$ points for Illinois in gymnastics in seven meets year the Falcons 1 47 points were the second highest scored against the Illini this year Notre Dame and Illinois fencing teams have suffered their only 1959 defeats to the falcons the Academy has a track meet with Colorado University scheduled on May 23 here CU has lost only seven of 23 1958 lettermen on their outdoor track squad Wyoming's defending Skyline champion hoopsters won their first game last week, downing New Mexico to tie the Lobos for the cellar ... Tony Windis is averaging 23.5 points per game for the Cowboys Frank Brown of CU's fine ski team is an Olympic hopeful, as is teammate, Dave Butts--both in downhill. Denver University, irked at NCAA Rules Chairman, Amo Bessone's "Keep Denver out" edict concerning the national hockey tourney, now sets its aim on a record "so good they'll look ridiculous keeping us out.... the Pioneers have a sizzling 18-4-1 record and appear to be one of the finest contingents ever to wear skates on college ice DU's trio of Jim Peay, Jerry Cole and Bob Grinstead, which gave Falcon hoopsters a rough earlier in the season, continue to score well, averaging 13.4, 12.2, and 10.9 points, respectively.....DU has a 16-7record......UCLA's Walt Torrence, once a USAFA hopeful, is leading the Bruin hoop-scoring with a 20.1 average for twenty games.

BASKETBALLERS TOP REGIS IN OVERTIME

The Air Force Academy basketball team topped Regis, 79-76, in triple overtime last Saturday in Denver, thanks to five key points by Terry Norris and the steady ball-handling of Bob Blake. "It was a mighty gib win, but we can't afford to relax now if we are going all the way," said Major Bob Spear, head coach, in regard to Regis. Since losing a 40-39 game to Oklahoma, the Cadets vowed they would finish out the season on a winning note. They have disposed of Panhandle, South Dakota, New Mexico High-lands and Regis since that time, and two wins this week could tie an Academy record of six straight.

Captain Bob Beckel was particularly outstanding before fouling out late in the game, scoring 25 points, two more than Regis star, Dennis Boone. Don Wolfswinkel played his usual good game and Jim Ulm turned in an outstanding performance on the boards, grabbing 13 rebounds against

the taller Rangers.

Tomorrow the Falcons are in St. Louis for a game with Washington University. Again the cadets give away a decided height advantage.

ZALESKI AND DAY SCORE WINS AS AFA LOSES

The Air Force Academy wrestling team absorbed a 22-6 defeat at the hands of Colorado School of Mines last Saturday night at the Academy mat. Heavyweight Charley Zaleski and 157-pounder Dick Day scored decisions to account for the only Academy points.

The cadets will be giant underdogs Saturday at Laramie against a University of Wyoming mat team that is undefeated in regional competition

while the Falcons have a 5-4 record.

RIFLE TEAM SPLITS IN WEEKEND ACTION

Denis Walsh has high individual score among the Falcons with 289X300 as the Academy rifle team topped Wisconsin and bowed to California'a defending NCAA champions last Saturday at the Academy. Firing for the second straingt week without all-American Bob Siteman, the cadets fired 1419, behind 1429 for California, but ahead of Wisconsin's 1336. The Academy also lost to Army last week by ten points.

This week the Falcons fire against Oklahoma State and Arkansas at

Stillwater in a shoulder-to-shoulder meet.

SWIMMING TEAM DOWNS DU FOR FIRST TIME

The Air Force Academy swimming team won a stirring 42-40 victory over Denver University last Saturday at the winners' pool, inflicting the first regional loss on the Pioneers since 1953. It was a tremendous team effort and required a pool record in the final event—the 400-yard free-style relay—to turn the trick. In all nine pool records were smashed, five by the losers.

Dick Johnson and Jerry Farquhar both set pool records for the Falcon team. This week the Academy takes on New Mexico, which boasts two of the Skyline Conference's best divers. The Lobos' first two divers average 260 and 240 points respectively. The Academy record stands at 234.6.

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INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

This week:

BASKETBALL:

GYMNASTICS:

WRESTLING:

Washington at St. Louis; Saturday, 21 Feb at 2000 Colo St College & UCLA at AFA; Saturday, 21 Feb at 1600 Wyoming at Laramie; Saturday, 21 Feb at 1900 Denver Fencers' Club at AFA; Saturday, 21 Feb at 1400 New Mexico at AFA; Saturday 21 Feb at 1500 FENCING:

SWIMMING:

Next week:

Omaha at Omaha; Monday, 23 Feb at 2000 BASKETBALL:

Arizona at AFA; Saturday, 28 Feb at 2000

All-College Invitational at Boulder; Fri-Sat, 27-28 Feb GYMNASTICS:

Western Intercollegiates at Pomona, Calif.; Thu-Sat, 26-28 Feb Wisconsin at Madison; Saturday, 28 Feb at 1900 Colorado at AFA; Saturday, 28 Feb at 1500 FENCING: WRESTLING:

SWIMMING

FENCERS SPLIT IN ARIZONA TRIP

The Air Force Academy fencing team defeated Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, 18-9, and dropped a close 14-13 decision to Arizona University last weekend in Arizona. The weekend action gave the swordsmen a 7-2 record for the season.

Saberman Bob Davis won all six of his weekend bouts in that weapon to pace the cadets. Don Danborn won all three of his dueling sword bouts against Davis-Monthan, and Dave Shearin and Wayne Jefferson both looked good. Art Elser fenced well against Arizona's Wildcats, but foil and sword both lost, 3-6, and saber's 7-2 victory could not pull out a deci-

Both meets were fenced under unusual circumstances in that only one strip, as compared to the usual two or three, was used and the meets took over three hours to complete, as compared to the usual one hour. The loss jolted the Falcons, who had expected relatively easy wins. They will take on the Denver Fencers' Club tomorrow, a team that they defeated by a 19-8 score earlier in the season, but which promises to be tough.

GYMNASTS TO TAKE ON UCLA AFTER TWO VICTORIES

UCLA's Bruins, rated one of the top three college gymnastics teams in the nation, and Colorado State College, perennial claimant to the title of best in the Rockies, will provide the opposition for the Air Force Academy's high-flying gymnasts tomorrow at the Community Center gym.

Coach Charles Pond of Illinois! NCAA champions, rates the Uclans as one of the country's best, along with Penn State and his own squad. CSC,

like the Falcons, has rolled past all regional foes.

Last weekend the cadets traveled to Arizona, where they trounced Arizona, $89\frac{1}{2}$ - $38\frac{1}{2}$, on Friday, and then had a slightly tougher time the next day with Arizona State, 81-63. Art Lewis and Dave Wiest both looked good for the Falcons.

PISTOL TEAM FINISHES SECOND

Max Miller fired a 272x300 to lead the Air Force Academy rifle team to a second place in a triangular shoulder-to-shoulder match last Saturday. The Falcon fired 1326 to finish behind Texas A&M*s 1356 and ahead of Wisconsin's 1131. The pistol team is idle this weekend.