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ENGINEERING SOCIETY WILL VISIT
SAGE IN BOSTON AIR DEF. SECTOR

Lt. General J. H. Atkinson, Commander of Air Defense Command, has invited some twenty members of the Engineering Society to visit ADC's SAGE site in the Boston area this coming 30th of November. The trip, proposed by Cadet Hosmer who is president of the Engineering Society, will last for two days, and marvel of marvels, the day after will be free of recitations.

The cadets will depart from Peterson field on the morning of 30 November and arrive sometime that afternoon. The next morning and part of the afternoon will be spent in touring, the SAGE site, one of the only two operational sites in the States. They will then leave late Monday afternoon.

It may be of interest to know that the last Bomarc shot which was so tremendously accurate was guided by the SAGE system of the Boston Sector and was fired from Cape Canaveral. Some control eh? Lee

RING FITTING DATES SET FOR '60

Dates for fittings of the class rings of the Class of 1960 were set this week in a meeting of the Class Ring Committee. The Second Class will be briefed on procedures to be followed by their squadron representative, but cooperation will be required by the entire class to assure a smooth operation.

Ring sizers will be circulated within the squadrons, and cadets will record the approximate size of their ring finger. This will expedite matters when cadets report, two squadrons per evening, to Josten's fitters in the Cadet Area.

Places for the fittings are still to be determined, but the following dates are assigned for various squadrons:

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TRUE COURSE: CAREER

by Dave Goodrich

Taking a look at the service picture this week, we see two items of more than passing interest. Number one is that the AF is preparing a legislative brief for Congress asking for a relaxation of the presently rather strict ceilings on promotions. The quotas now set are designed on a "sliding scale" which sets the total in each rank bracket as a rough ratio to the total officer population of the Air Force this means that as the AF officer corps dwindles in number for various reasons, so also do the rank quotas, and hence so also dwindle the chances for a temporary promotion to the next highest rank. As a matter of fact, several of three rank bracket maximums will be reached after next year's promotions, at least temporarily. In terms of officer motivation and retention, it is obvious that this is altogether an unhealthy situation. It is hoped that some sort of solution to this very important problem will soon be found. A "best qualified" promotion system has been proposed, and there is also the possibility of a return to an AF-wide system similar to SAC's spot promotion. Neither of these ideas are in any way officially accepted, though, so it should be interesting to watch for future developments.

The rated officer received both a helping hand and at the same time a caution to remain proficient at his skill, by recent Air Force action. Several skill areas were closed to the rated officer, ranging from photography officer to food service officer. While on the surface this would appear to be an obvious blessing to the rated type, there is at the same time a reminder to him that the AF is becoming seriously concerned with the size and proficiency of its rated officer cadre. AF command-

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Ring Fittings, cont.

Thursday, 13 Nov 1st & 2nd
Friday, 14 Nov 3rd & 4th
Monday, 17 Nov 5th & 6th
Tuesday, 18 Nov 7th & 8th
Wednesday, 19 Nov 9th & 10th
Thursday, 20 Nov 11th & 12th

These dates are subject to change, but give an indication of when cadets may expect fittings to begin so that they may plan accordingly. GH HINES

True Course Career, cont.

ers are strongly desirous that the rated officers be utilized in jobs which will preserve their flying skills, but at the same time, in the light of the ever increasing expense of running an up-to-date Air Force, the AF commander must be assured that his flying officer is a flying officer in the true sense of the word, and not a barely proficient piece of dead wood.

Both incidents reflect a basic change in the major structure of your Air Force. It is to be hoped that both these ideas will produce an effective progression in the direction of a better service for all concerned. It can hardly be denied that the face of airpower with all its implications is a rapidly changing thing. There is only one direction for that change, and that is forward, to progress. The morale of AF personnel can permit no other-----DMG

SALE: Mansfield 8mm movie editor and splicer combination. Originally \$46- will sell for \$20. See C/2c Lovell, 6G49.

SALE

BLUE SHIRTS, SOCKS, T SHIRTS, SHORTS, ETC.

DENVER LAUNDRY

Dodo DROPPINGS by Biehle

For all you civilians out in the audience, here are a few words of advice on how you can get more pleasure out of life. If you're looking for a new kind of entertainment, do as thousands are doing these days and drive out to see the great new Air Force Academy circus! You'll get a chance to sneak into the dormitory patios and see the cadets as they really are; you can chip mosaic souvenir pieces from the walls--three choices of colors. Come back often enough and you'll have enough to put a tile floor in the bathroom like you've always wanted. And you ladies, for a really new experience, and a chance to see just how masculine the Academy is, visit the ladies lounge adjacent to the reception hall. Guaranteed to be interesting, and a real challenge to you if approached properly -- especially for you short gals. But the really big show is the feeding of the cadets. You can see Ringmaster Beckel run the boys through their paces, and then when he's got them all in their feeding pens, you get to actually see them get fed. Be among the first to add your fingerprints and noseprint to the rapidly growing collection on the glass walls. (Those of you with colds please use the kleenex provided before looking.) Then when it's all over, you get to evaluate your tour on a special rating sheet by checking one of these three: (1) I was impressed, (2) I was not impressed, (3) IHTFP. So why not get Dad and Mom and little Virus into the car one of these days and drive on out. Daily shows at 6 a.m., noon, and 6 p.m. Sundays and holidays at 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Don't miss it!

Comment from Charlie Diver. cadet, husband, and all-around good egg, upon reading that King Saud has 4 wives and 80 concubines: "And I can't even get a date."

Rather short column this week but have you ever tried to be funny around this place?

Biehle

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Tied all production records this week.
Second week in a row.

First thing I want to do is scold the football team. Don't you guys know somebody could get killed listening to a game like that? If I'd been listening to the game on a car radio I would either have killed myself or stopped necking. As it was I nearly killed myself running out of my door to yell my head off---I met some idiot running in---yelling his head off. Besides, when you guys work that hard, Jozwiak gets hungry and eats all the goodies in the First Class lounge.

As long as I'm speaking of the lounge, statistician Mac informed me that 27 people were watching "Maverick" the other night. First Class ought to be excused from recitation on Mondays.

The cheers from the Cadet Wing sounded pretty garbled on my radio, but Col. Simler's "Oh no!" when we fumbled came over loud and clear. (de football)

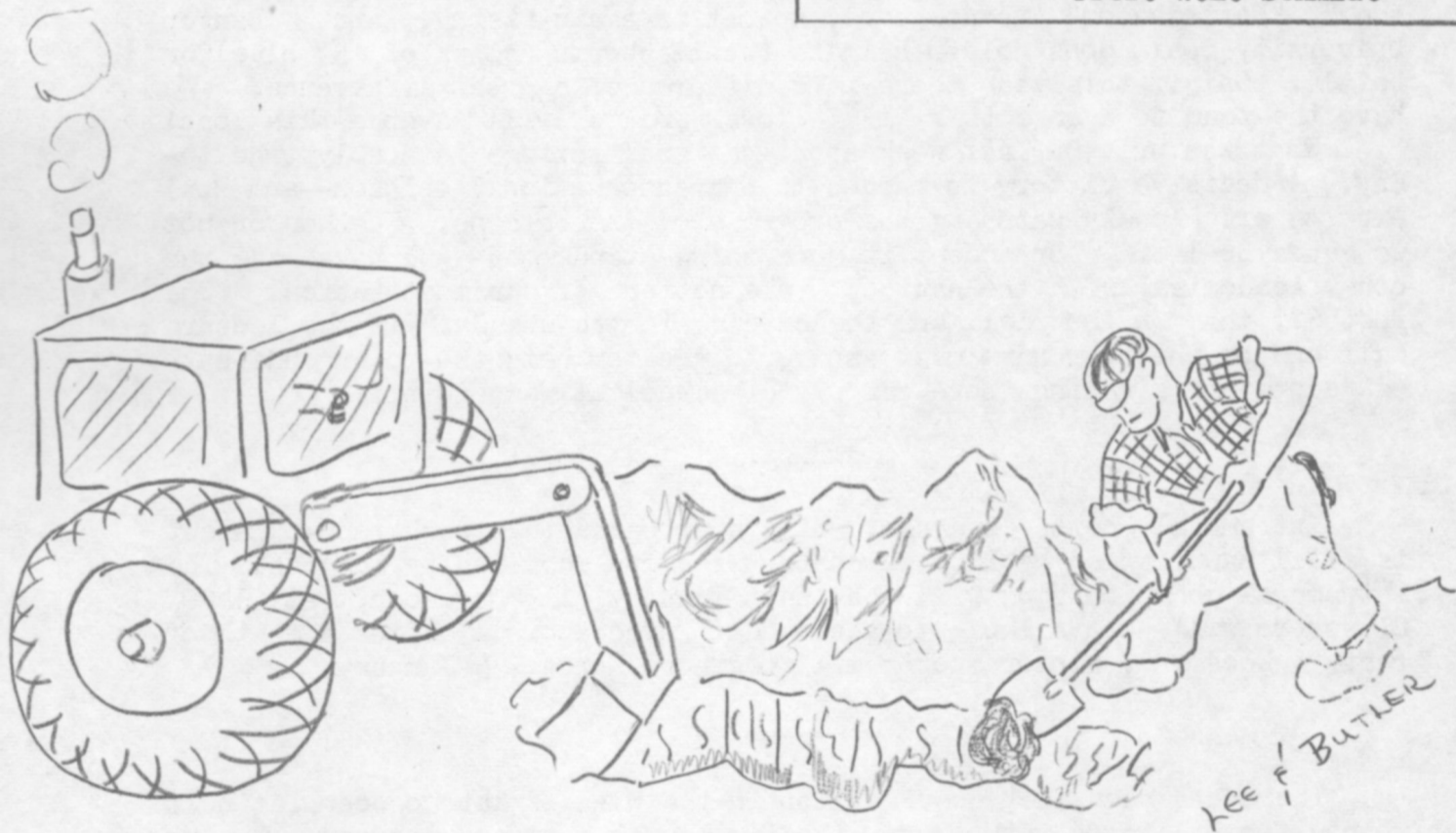
Cynic and Dodo Dropper are both concerned over nose-prints on Dining Hall glass this week. Bet they wouldn't bitch if they were young, pretty nose types.

I have a notable weakness for puns. Pun for this week----"Take me out to the Bowl game...."

If anyone has an ad they'd like placed in the rag, send it to me. If I don't want to buy the proffered article we will put in in. See you next week.

Reeves

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AIR GARDEN CONSTRUCTION

◀ SPORTS ▶

FALCON FILINGS

by George Hines

Another grudge game is in the making this Saturday as the Falcons take on Denver University at Hilltop Stadium in an effort to avenge last year's 26-14 loss to the Pioneers. The story of the 1957 game is history that won't be forgotten while the present upper classes remain at the Academy.

For those who don't recall and Fourth Classmen who perhaps would like to know, "Blue Friday" was observed by the Pioneers on the day prior to last year's game. Mysterious Air Force Academy rooters, believed to be inspired by a cadet falcon mascot named Ben, somehow painted most of DU Stadium in a deep blue. The Denver Post, in placing the blame on "a local women's college, "ventured the guess that girls had accomplished, this demoralizing (for DU) feat. The level of spirit of the Cadet Wing was at its highest peak; this was "the game" of the 1957 season and pep rallies and post-taps activities heralded what was to be the first of a string of victories over our then-crosstown rivals.

Only one thing happened to ruin the weekend--AFA, after appearing to be headed toward a hard-fought victory, lost. There was a natural let-down in Wing spirit, but a determined vow to settle the score "next season." "Next season" is now here, spirit is again rising, and Denver University again dons golden helmets (still showing signs of '57 blue) for battle. Only...this year there is a difference, a great difference. We have the team to avenge this 1957 loss and we will avenge this loss!

What was written last week about national ratings is doubly true today. A decisive victory is needed to increase national opinion--and Bowl experts are closely watching the progress of the Falcons. Whether or not we get a Bowl bid, or accept it, one thing stands out---we have made the other Academies, with the nation, take notice of our institution. The football team on the field and the cadets in the stands, in the lecture hall and on the tour ramm must aspire to greater heights--to an undefeated record and a rating above our sister school at West Point!

Intramural sports coverage, still sparse and this week non-existent is still handicapped by lack of contest results supplied by coaches. The intramural championships will be next Tuesday, 11 November, at 1400. Bleachers will be available to accommodate spectators. After a month of rest in December, winter sports will begin on Monday, 5 January.

There has been much conversation in the Wing of late concerning next year's football game with Army, the first with a sister academy. Rumors are rampant, and it is difficult to determine just what the "true - word" really is. Latest word from the Department of Athletics, admittedly not too current, indicates that the game would be played in Chicago. Next week Falcon Filings will give a rundown on the entire situation, publishing all available details, including site, date, and cadets expected to attend.

PENSIVE MEANDERINGS--the cross country team in losing to Maryland gave coach Capt. Ed Mathews a double setback....he was a former Terrapin Track star....UCLA's loss to Stanford quieted press reports from Los Angeles.. ...DU's loss to New Mexico was no surprise, but points up the amazing rise of the Lobos, smothered, 31-0, by USAFA last year.....next week, a listing of 1959 Falcon football opponents.....in action last week, USAFA opponents New Mexico and Wyoming won, but CU fell to mighty Oklahoma.

MAYO'S PASSING LEADS AFA TO COMEBACK WIN

Rich Mayo's sensational last-ditch strike to Bob Brickey in the end zone climaxed a great comeback by the Air Force Academy as the Cadets edged Oklahoma State University, 33-29, last Saturday before a 31,000 homecoming crowd at Stillwater. The tremendous Mayo completed 28 of 45 passes, good for 214 yards and two touchdowns, in leading the Falcons to the most stirring and inspired victory ever recorded by an Academy team.

The Cowboys looked just as good as their two-touchdown favorite rating had indicated that they would, racking up two quick touchdowns and gaining a 15-0 lead early in the second quarter. The Falcons then flew back to life, with Mayo directing a 72-yard TD march culminated by Steve Galios' nine - yard drive up the middle for the score. Two minutes later Charley Rodgers smashed through for a tackle on an OSU ball carrier and recovered the resulting fumble. It took Mayo six plays to drive the ball to the one yard where he carried it into the end zone.

Mayo, playing an inspired game, then intercepted a pass in Aggie territory and George Pupich kicked a 17-yard field goal, his third in as many games, for an 18-15 AFA halftime lead.

The Cowboys scored early in the third quarter when Jim Wiggins ran 81 yards on the kickoff to the AFA six. Halfback Duane Wood carried for the score and then passed to Vern Sewell for a 23-15 home team lead. Another Cowboy TD was added in the third quarter on a 51-yard drive.

With only twelve minutes remaining, Mayo whipped the Falcons to life with his accurate passing and masterful field-generalizing. He drove the Cadets 80 yards in 13 plays and fired to Phil Lane on the OSU 11 where the speedy Texan halfback carried over for the score. Pupich added the point and the Falcons still trailed 29-25.

The Cowboys, forced to punt with four minutes left, held a "safe" lead and gave the Academy the ball on the Falcon 22. Mayo, passing twice on fourth and eight situations for the first down, directed the Cadets 72 yards in 13 plays, timing his final pass to the leaping Brickey with nine seconds on the clock. The fabulous Third Class quarterback then dove two yards for the point.

The victory was by far the most spectacular ever made by an Air Force Academy football team and gave the Falcons a 5-0-1 record for the year, a 13-13 tie with Iowa the only game to "mar" the slate. This week the Academy plays a grudge game with Denver University. The Pioneers downed the Academy, 26-14, last year, and the Cadets are out to even the score. They are rated a two-touchdown favorite.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

This week:

FOOTBALL--USAFA vs. Denver University at D.U. Stadium

Saturday, 8 November at 1400

SOCCER--USAFA vs. Royal Roads Academy at AFA

Saturday, 8 November at 1400

Next week:

FOOTBALL--USAFA vs. University of Wyoming at Colorado Springs

Saturday, 15 November at 1400

"B" FOOTBALL--USAFA vs. Otero Junior College at AFA

Friday, 14 November at 1330

SOCCER--USAFA vs. University of Wyoming at AFA

Saturday, 15 November at 1400

CROSS-COUNTRY--USAFA vs. University of Wyoming and University of Colorado
at AFA Saturday, 15 November at 1400

GRIDDERS LISTED AMONG NATION'S BEST

Entering the select Top Ten of the nation's football teams for the first time, the Falcons of the Air Force Academy received recognition by the Associated Press in being named to tenth place in this week's poll. The cadets were tied with Rice for 13th place in the United Press International survey.

National statistics show that the Falcons are currently third in the nation in total offense with a 374.8 yards per game average. Army, in first place has racked up 2450 yards in six games, good for a 408.3 mark, while second-rated Iowa has averaged 384 yards per game. Powerful Colorado slumped to fourth place after last Saturday's loss to Oklahoma, while the Sooners moved into the fifth position.

The fantastic passing of Rich Mayo elevated him to fifth place among the nation's passers. The right-handed Third Classman has connected on 58 of 100 tosses for 608 yards and six touchdowns. Utah's Lee Grosscup, in first place with 64 for 112 (.577) has amassed 801 yards. Randy Duncan of Iowa is the runner up with 60 for 102 (.588) and 766 total yards. The Hawkeye ace has also found six men in the end zone.

Bob Brickey, favorite recipient of Mayo's bullets, has caught 21 passes for 235 yards and three TDs, good for seventh place.

Current Falcon statistics:

| | TEAM | | NAME | INDIVIDUAL | | | |
|-------------------|------|------|---------|------------|------|-----|--------|
| | AFA | OPP | | Carries | Gain | Avg | |
| Points | 151 | 68 | Galios | 55 | 333 | 6.1 | |
| First Downs | 125 | 66 | Quinlan | 52 | 237 | 4.6 | |
| Net yards rushing | 1372 | 735 | Thomson | 47 | 219 | 4.7 | |
| Net yards passing | 877 | 581 | Lane | 39 | 142 | 3.6 | |
| Total yards | 2249 | 1316 | Kuenzel | 35 | 133 | 3.8 | |
| Passes attempted | 150 | 106 | | | | | |
| Passes completed | 86 | 51 | Name | TD | FG | 1 | 2 |
| Percentage | .573 | .481 | Pupich | 2 | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| Had intercepted | 5 | 5 | Galios | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Touchdown Passes | 9 | 3 | Brickey | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Punting Average | 34.2 | 36.4 | Thomson | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Fumbles Lost | 13 | 17 | Mayo | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Yards penalized | 392 | 270 | Quinlan | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | | | | Points |
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The Air Force Academy cross-country team returned from Maryland covered with glory, achieving a 22-33-78 victory over Maryland and North Carolina State last Saturday at College Park, Maryland. Good depth provided the win as Tony Bilello finished second, John Fer third, Dave Carlstrom fourth, Austin Wedmeyer fifth and Joe Mandel eighth.

Maryland was rated the best team in the Atlantic Coast Conference and usually wins the ACC crown. The victory was the biggest yet for the Falcon runners and ranks with the biggest upsets of the year in national cross-country circles. This weekend the cadets enjoy a well-deserved rest.

FOOTBALL INJURY SITUATION DEEMED NOT DANGEROUS

Captain Brock Strom will miss the Denver game this week with a contusion of the eye and will be out for about ten days, it was announced this week by the Academy football team. Dave Phillips will move up to the first unit and Neal Rountree will start on the alternate unit.

Center John Cullledge has a sore shoulder, but will be available for action. The same is true of George Pupich, who has a slightly strained thigh muscle. The rest of the bumps and bruises are considered no more than glory marks.

SOCCKER SKEIN BROKEN

Last weekend the soccer team lost their first game in two years to a good University of Maryland team by a score of 4-1 at College Park. Undoubtedly, most of you read about the loss in the Denver Post. In case you didn't, Al Gagliardi scored our lone goal in the third period on one of the ten shots taken during the second half. I mention the number of shots for one reason; compared with the shots taken in the first half it is an astronomical number. We took two, I repeat, two, shots in the first half. Eight percent made against an all-American goalie isn't too bad; I'm merely lamenting the number of shots attempted.

What brought about our loss? I know one or two reasons; I've heard a couple more from some noteworthy sources. Maryland was a good team, but not so good that we couldn't have beaten them on a good day. The weather was not the best that one could ask for, and we don't play good soccer in dirty weather. Olson came out of the game with an out-of-joint knee, but with all due respect to Ole, he is only one man.

So what was the trouble? All week long, the morale of the team was not as high as it should have been. The men were told that a very limited number of players would make the trip and everyone realized the error of taking too few team members. This directly affected the morale of the men who were going, for they realized at that time that the whole burden of the game was on them, with too few substitutes on the bench. The team was unduly nervous throughout the week and entered the game on Saturday with much of this same nervousness.

Last week I said that the team had a good chance to beat Maryland, if nothing unforeseen happened. Something, I feel, did happen. With advance notice that they would be shorthanded, the team was mentally unprepared for the game. Why couldn't more men have been taken---because transportation space simply wasn't available. Surely a win over one of the nation's top soccer teams would have boosted the Academy's athletic prestige and it seems as if a special effort could have been made to take an excess, if anything, of players so that the team could have been at top strength for a test with a team such as Maryland.

This week the team plays a non-RMISL game with Royal Roads Academy of Canada at the Academy. The Falcons are favored over the visitors, on the strength of a victory over the same team last year. BURTON '60

