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WATCH OUT MOON

Military scientists have set their sights on launching a manned space vehicle to the moon and return late in 1960, the director of Armed Forces missile explorations has disclosed. The Defense Department's Advanced Research Agency has ordered the clustering of Atlas or Titan ICBM type engines. Mr. Roy W. Johnson, Head of the Agency said, "It becomes quite obvious that a booster of such capability, with appropriate upper stages, might place a manned space station into orbit or could launch a manned vehicle to circumnavigate the moon and return.

AFPS

— MOTIVATION —

The new program introduced by the FT Department of First Classmen seems to be a first-class idea. For those of you who aren't in the know, it incorporates competitive operational--type missions with semi-permanent crews participating. The only limitation on selection of crews is that they must not be stacked with the number one category scope readers and sextant scanners. Winning crews will have a trip to Bermuda as a reward. There is a good possibility that crews will be able to choose their own routes, and they are able to choose the type of mission. Scheduling has become the job of the Squadron Ops Officers. Now they have something to do. The program has done more to motivate the firsties toward Flying Training than anything attempted to date, and if everything works out according to plan we might even develop some reasonably happy and competent navigators.

REEVES.

CLASS '59 NOTE:

ONLY 179 MORE BACHELOR DAYS
'TILL GRADUATION.

TRUE COURSE - CAREER

An interesting bit of news was uncovered recently, to the effect that the era of the propeller-driven training aircraft may be over sooner than one might think. It seems that an experimental class is now being conducted at Randolph AFB, Texas, in which all flight training is performed in jet aircraft. This test class situation provides for the primary flight training to be conducted in the T-37, with eventual transition to more advanced training in the old reliable, the T-33. If this first "all jet class" proves feasible, there is a very good chance that the near future will mark the advent of the same type of training throughout the Air Training Command's pilot training program, which would appreciably accelerate the original planning. It was originally planned that there would not be an all jet transition until the supersonic T-38 reached production, but with production on this bird at least a year or more in the future, it was felt that it might be well to explore the possibilities of some sort of interim plan to provide for an earlier "modernization" of pilot training. Members of '59 will do well to keep the old fingers crossed that the Air Training Command deems this interim idea a success, since acceptance of the plan would mean that there was a very good chance for all jet training for the Class. While one can look with nostalgia upon the joys of "looking through that whirling prop" let's face it, this is a jet propelled Air Force, and personally, I think most of us would forego the aforementioned sensation for the thrill of piloting one of those "stove pipes" the sooner, the better, eh what?--DMG

Through the Squawk Box

Attention in the Area -- This is a time hack -- in one second it will be Hack!! Security Flight out.

Attention in . . . The uniform for the breakfast formation will probably include parkas.

Attention . . . The uniform for breakfast will not include parkas. All you suckers that are already formed up will go back and change.

Will the cadet who took Cadet Crudd's hat from the dining hall please return it to Security Flight: You know who you are, you rat, so come across wid da lid!!

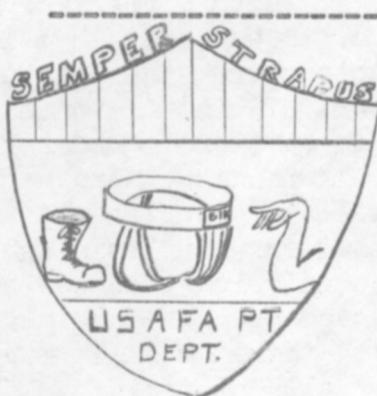
Will the SOD, IOD, JOD, NCOD's and any other interested members please report to Security Flight?

Are you between the ages of 17 and 22?

Officer-in-Charge please report to the reception lounge; you have a visitor.

Will the cadet who took Cadet Basic's fiance from the reception lounge kindly return same.

Cadets will disregard all previous announcements concerning all previous announcements.



In case some of you didn't notice, I didn't make last week's issue. This was not because I had nothing to say; just the opposite was true. I had thought (I flatter myself) that a lot of the troops had things to say too, but this is apparently not the case. Since I am not easily impressed, it may be worth some time in consideration of the typical Air Force Cadet because he impresses me very much. I think he is the sharpest! There are many reasons why this might be the case, but I think the best one is the training he had as a Fourth Classman. The guiding light for all of us in the administration of this system is the word from the Customs book itself "Fourth Class Customs are not degrading to your dignity as men. Rather, they are a test of your maturity and emotional stability. Every custom and tradition you will be required to observe is designed for one purpose only -- to instill that discipline required of and by an air commander." Our current table terminology illustrates how well we live by these concepts. At the words, "Gentlemen, be seated" a hundred little wars begin. There is one improvement that I might suggest. As Jumping Joe said last Friday night, what is there more important than football. Under my proposed system, the enthusiastic voices of mature, disciplined, future air commanders would ring out over the fields of friendly eating like so: "Sir, the starting line-up for the breakfast game consists of bacon, eggs and toast." Or the head cheerleader might announce, "Sir, the milk is exhausted and has returned to the locker room to visit the trainer." At the end of the game, "Sir, does the head coach or any other sport fan have any remarks for the press release?" If anyone should ever ask you if there is any possible way to improve on that magnificent machine, the AFA graduate, suggest this slight alteration in our stern, dignified system of living discipline.

For Sale: RCA H.F.I., \$50.00.
Cost \$92.00, new, in C-Store
Interested in used tape recorder.
BRUSKY, 6D68

For Sale: Symphonic combination Radio & Phonograph - less than year old - like new, \$30.00
DIXON, 5E9

One of my many, fine readers has asked me to explain the historic background of the winter sports. After interpreting the Dead Sea Scrolls and consulting the oracles, I am now able to divulge the account of the history of basketball.

In 4062BC Brother Naismith, My elder, was chasing a pagan infidel thru an olive garden. Because he was not as fleet-footed as I, Brother Naismith threw an olive in an attempt to kill the fleeing pagan. Alas, the fleeing infidel doth hold up one peach basket and doth catch said projectile. Upon striking the basket the olive burst asunder, spilling oil under foot of the fleeing pagan. And so it came to pass that Brother Naismith made good sport of this pagan at the festival.

As has been the history of mankind, such means of war eventually become games of sport. Because of a great olive famine in 3160BC, great stones had to be used during the Olympic Games that year. These stones rent large holes in the bottom of the baskets. To avoid delay in the game it was voted by a council of elders to only use bottomless baskets. In these days each injured opponent hath raised thou rating by three points, whereas placing the stone in the basket doth result in five points. As civilization doth hinder man, the stones were replaced with a leather ball and an injured opponent only resulted in one point. The bottom was reinstalled in the basket to decrease wear on the town squares. This sport was played in a court, so as to keep overzealous spectators from interfering with the ball.

Unfortunately, in 1906 two accidents forever changed the competitive aspects of basketball as this game was now called. First, a player fell and broke his neck while attempting to retrieve a ball from the basket. Second, a rebound killed a gambler in the audience. Thus we have the bottomless basket and the backboard. In the early 1920s many players were injured with brass knuckles. A few rule changes at this time eliminated much of this unneeded bodily contact from the game.

Today basketball is a game of speed: running to and fro the bench; agility: dodging elbows and teamwork: "fixing" the points. Although the element of war is forever in the past, you will enjoy watching this hardwood sport. And now Brother Moses must retire to Mount Seagram to investigate sword-fighting, the most wicked of sports.

What a charming surprise.....everyone turned something in this week! This has been a much better week than the last one was. Lots of holidays.

Did you ever wonder why the lights were at one end of your room, and the obvious spot for a desk at the other? It seems that the rooms were once designed the other way around or something. I can't imagine how, since a set of closets would certainly hinder ones use of the picture windows, but that's what I've been told.

The Maverick Club had a little interference the other night. There was a great weeping and gnashing of teeth when the electronic wonder refused to pick up Denver too strongly. It was the only flaw in an otherwise perfect week (end).

I think you'll find that "The Word" presents an exhaustive research study on the ancient game of basketball. It shows what a long way the sport has come. Just think, when Major Spear was young they used to throw olives!

I stayed to watch the festivities after the game, and I was amazed to see Colonel Cassiday there. He seemed to be chiding some of the participants for their exuberance. I also saw Goldielocks running about gayly without his beanie.

Old Jetblast Goodrich has returned to the fold, eh what?

The Penn who is mightier than the censor has returned to haze the world. Do you know that I saw him smile at a joke in Playboy? Incredible.

Congratulations to the piggie pounders for a fabulous season. It made a semester of schoolwork almost tolerable, and a season of football a real joy. I'm looking for a massive cotton theft in the land of no radar fixes.

See you troops around. REEVES



This is spelunking?!!

SPORTS

FALCON FILINGS

by George Hines

Final football statistics show that the Falcons, despite last week's performance against Colorado, had one of the most potent offenses in the nation. The Cadets averaged 360.5 yards per game total offense and 20.7 first downs. The Academy outscored the opposition by a 24.7-10-.2 margin and compiled an awesome .562 percentage in passing. The 9-0-1 record was the best in the Academy's short history and several "firsts" were numbered--the first football all-American (Brock Strom); the first major bowl bid (Cotton Bowl) and the first national ranking (AP and UPI). Now we can look forward to our first Coach of the Year in Ben Martin.

Next week Falcon Filings will give a report of Texas Christian University, the team that the Falcons will meet in Dallas on New Year's Day. The Horned Frogs were upset by Southern Methodist last week and finished the regular season with an 8-2 mark. The other loss was a 17-0 defeat at the hands of Iowa in the first game of the season.

Colorado University presented by far the best offense of any Falcon opponent in 1958--statistically at least. The 26 first downs comprised over twenty percent of those gained against the Academy this year and the 420 total yardage was eighteen percent. Significant was the fact that the Buffs gave us 26 percent of the fumbles that we recovered.

Fifteen thousand Cotton Bowl tickets were made available to the Air Force Academy for sale. Priority will be given to cadets, season ticket holders and to members of the Academy Athletic Association. Any remaining tickets will be offered for public sale about December 15.

With seven hundred cadets on Christmas leave, it is natural for the American public to believe that only a small gathering of the upperclass cadets, scattered as they will be throughout the 49 states, will attend the Cotton Bowl. What the American public doesn't realize is the intense spirit that has followed the Falcons this year, not only in the Cadet Wing, but throughout the Air Force as well. It isn't hard to believe that most of the Cadet Wing will somehow find their way to Dallas around the end of the year and that the Air Force itself will have a very substantial representation among the 75,000 in the crowd on New Year's Day.

Basketball, fencing and swimming all begin competition this week as the 1958-59 winter athletic season gets under way. The hoopsters took on Westminster on Wednesday at the Community Center in the season's opener, a team that they defeated, 68-42, last year. The swimmers partake of the Wyoming Relays in Laramie tomorrow and the fencers take the strip against Regis in a "B" squad meet. Both of the latter teams seem considerably improved over a year ago, but the heaviest part of the schedule comes after the Christmas layoff.

PENSIVE MEANDERINGS--Oklahoma State, in losing to mighty Oklahoma by 0-7, scored another point in the Falcon favor nationally and regionally....the CU trap plays that worked so well last Saturday are a feature of the TCU running game....Wyoming's Sun Bowl bid was no surprise to the Cowboys' sports publicity director, who had predicted it three months ago...Wyoming has a 6-8½ basketball center, Stretch Lively, and are a good bet to repeat their Skyline title....Don Miller, DU's senior center, was named to play with the West team in annual Shrine game in San Francisco.....Denver's swimming team, winners of five straight Skyline titles, has only two lettermen on their 1958-59 squad...they open tomorrow in the Wyoming relays....Navy 6, Army 22..the nation's best" says Blaik.

COSTLY COLORADO FUMBLES ENABLE FALCONS TO DUMP BUFFS

Colorado University fumbled twelve times, with the alert Air Force Academy pouncing on seven of the miscues, as the Falcons stood off a powerful Buffalo offense to down CU, 20-14, last Saturday at Boulder before 40,000 fans. The single-wing offense of the losers piled up a tremendous statistical advantage, but the Cadets took advantage of every break to score three lightning fast touchdowns and take the most important statistical advantage--the final score.

Colorado scored in the first seven minutes, driving 47 yards in seven plays. End Bill Elkins made a spectacular catch of a Howard Cook pass in the end zone for the score. An identical play also scored the extra points. The Academy came back to score on a 23-yard Rich Mayo to Tom Jozwiak pass, but the pass attempt for the point was broken up.

CU went ahead by another touchdown on a 31-yard jaunt around left end by Eddie Dove with 4:57 left in the half. The attempted kick for the point by Dove was wide to the right. For the first time during the 1958 season, the Falcons trailed at halftime--by 14-6.

The Academy came back on a brilliant 60-yard run by Mike Quinlan through left guard to a 12-14 deficit, but Mayo's run for the points was stopped on the goal line. A minute and one-half later, Boyd Dowler tried a pass to Roy Clark who caught the pass, fumbled and Falcon halfback Mike Rawlins nabbed the ball in midair and went 20 yards untouched for the go-ahead score. Eddie Rosane kept around left end for the extra points.

Colorado fumbled three more times before the end of the game, but the final drive carried down to the AFA three where they missed a first down by inches with 14 seconds remaining. Mayo then ran out the clock.

The Falcons finished the season with an unbeaten 9-0-1 record and are now free until New Year's Day when they meet Texas Christian University (8-2) in the Cotton Bowl in Dallas.

FALCONS ADVANCE TO EIGHTH

The Air Force Academy football team, by winning over Colorado University while Texas Christian was losing to Southern Methodist, Advanced past the Horned Frogs to eighth place in the United Press International football poll this week.

SWIMMING SEASON OPENS THIS WEEK AT WYOMING

The Air Force Academy swimming team opens its season tomorrow in the Wyoming Relays at Laramie. Dr. M.M. Mackenzie is enthusiastic about the depth and all-around abilities of his squad and will be shooting for top spot in the meet. Assisting Mackenzie with the mermen this season will be Capt. Paul Cleland.

The original squad of 50 has been trimmed down to 24 and the team is two deep with top-flight performers in each event. Mackenzie anticipates strength in relays, something that hurt the Falcons badly in past years.

Among the reasons for optimism is the return of veterans Capt. Derry Adamson, Kirk Canterbury, Jerry Farquhar, Buck Congdon, Denny O'Keefe and Jim Hourin, Charles Coryn and Jim Poole also return. To further brighten Storrs, Conn., is anticipated to help the team considerably. Other Fourth Classmen who stood out in early drills were Dick Johnson, Jim Whitted, Gerry Daniel, Jerry MacLennan, Bob Parker and Mike Blaisdell.

The Falcons are swimming in the Community Center Pool this season, pending completion of the physical education building.

The 1958-59 schedule:

Dec	6	Wyoming Relays at Laramie
	13	Colorado Mines at AFA
Jan	10	Colorado State University at Ft. Collins
	17	Utah at Salt Lake City
	24	Colorado State College Station
	31	Texas A&M at College Station
Feb	7	Wyoming at AFA
	14	Denver at AFA
	21	New Mexico at AFA
	28	Colorado at AFA

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

This week:

BASKETBALL---USAFA vs. Drake at Des Moines, Iowa
Saturday, 6 December at 2000

SWIMMING---USAFA competes in the Wyoming Relays at Laramie
Saturday, 6 December at 0930

FENCING---USAFA "B" vs. Regis College at Denver
Saturday, 6 December at 1430

FINAL 1958 FOOTBALL STATISTICS

	AFA	OPP	NAME	Carries	Net Gain	Average
Points	247	102	Galios	116	527	4.5
First Downs	207	126	Quinlan	80	405	5.1
Net Yards Rushing	2217	1452	Thomson	61	290	4.8
Net Yards Passing	1388	893	Lane	65	279	4.3
Net Yardage	3605	2345	Pupich	35	162	4.6
Punting Average	34.5	38.1	Kuenzel	45	160	3.6
Fumbles Lost	18	27	Rosane	23	104	4.5
Yards Penalized	544	516	Rawlins	4	95	23.7

Name	Att	Comp	Yards	Perc	Name	TD	FG	1	2	Points
Mayo	174	98	1019	.563	Quinlan	8	0	0	0	48
Kuenzel	51	31	289	.608	Pupich	2	5	12	1	41
Rosane	16	6	71	.375	Galios	6	0	0	0	36
					Brickey	4	0	0	0	24
					Mayo	2	0	0	1	14
					Thomson	2	0	0	1	14
					Kuenzel	2	0	0	0	12
					Jozwiak	2	0	0	0	12
					Rawlins	2	0	0	0	12
					Lane	1	0	0	2	10
					Kerr	1	0	0	2	10
					Rosane	1	0	0	1	8
					Rodgers	0	0	0	2	4
					Baucom	0	0	0	1	2
					Totals	33	5	12	11	247

WhaddyA MEAN what flight am I in ?!

