

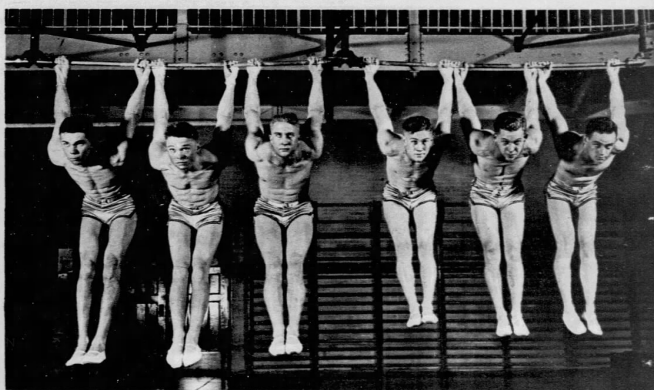
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How to Become an Army Officer

Pre-combat training. Every West Point cadet spends 36 hours of his precious time during the first year in the gymnasium. Instructor Thomas E. Maloney is in charge and his training accounts for the Academy's fine gym teams.

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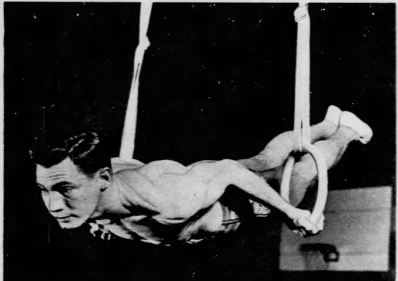


Back hang. It takes good muscles to get away with this trick, and these boys have them. From left to right, the cadets are: James Farr, John Chickering, Harrison Lobdell, Abraham Wolf, Arthur Steele and George Wear.

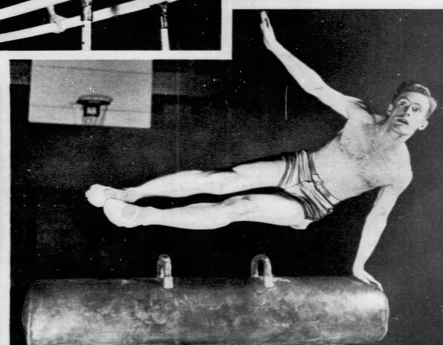


← On the parallel bars. Cadet John Chickering, William Clarkson and Harrison Lobdell do a triple hand stand. The gym team schedule calls for 6 or 7 meets a year and for the past 10 years the teams have turned in fine records.

Going up. The climbers (from top to bottom) are Cadets George Wear, Arthur Steele and James Farr. Although some athletics have been curtailed as part of the war program, the gym team has been considered too important to drop for the duration.



Champion. Cadet Wallace D. Moore does a free scale on the rings with the greatest of ease. No wonder; he's national intercollegiate champion of the flying rings.



Over the horse. Cadet Channing Gilson shows how Instructor Maloney likes to see a flank vault done. Maloney has been in charge of the gym teams since 1932 and the result has been the fine showing they have made at intercollegiate meets in recent years.