Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University recently hosted five Russian civil aviation educators. The Russian visitors arrived at Daytona Beach at the invitation of ERAU President Jack Hunt to see how civil aviation education is conducted in the United States.

Visitors from the USER included Mr. A. Nazarov, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Mr. N.I. Kolego, Director of the Kiev Institute of Civil Aviation Engineering, Mr. M.K. Finikov, Manager of Chair of Academics for Civil Aviation, Mr. A.I. Okhonski, Chief of the Ulyanovsk School of Higher Flight Instruction, and Mr. N.I. Lyubinov, Control Inspector of External Dealing of the Ministry of Civil Aviation.

During their stay in Daytona Beach, the visitors resided at the ERAU President's Residence. They were able to call on the homes of several University Trustees and visit some of the local attractions.

A high-speed ride on the tri-oval of the famous Daytona Beach Speed- way was conducted by Mr. Joe Pflug and the visitors were able to meet Bill France, Jr.

The Russians traveled to the Kennedy Space Center for a VIP tour given by Mr. Gordon Harris. They were impressed with the open door policy at the Center and the tour itself.

No visit to Florida would be complete without taking in Disney World in Orlando. This was the high point of the social events with everyone enjoying the irresistible charms of Mickey Mouse and the American hot dog lunch.

The group spent at Miami International Airport. The Soviets were given tours of National Airlines facilities including DC-10 and Boeing 747, and training facilities of Eastern Airlines including 1-201 flight simulators and stewardess training facilities.

The Russian educators said they were impressed with the caliber, moral, and dedication of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University students, faculty, and staff. They had good words for the American flight student and instructor pilot capabilities.

Russian and U.S. ground school and flight training are similar in most respects, but the Russian flight curriculum includes lessons in aerobatics. The Russian educators and President Jack Hunt of ERAU are looking forward to future opportunities to exchange technical knowledge about aviation subjects.

Pre-Registration Completed

Despite cranky computer firms, cramped time and space, Dr. Pence and his team successfully held the much needed Pre-registration.

A knowledgeable source estimated that more than 800 students registered, handled more than 800 cards, with a minimum of wasted time and effort.

The largest problem was getting started.

After only three weeks of concentrated effort, the schedules were able to come out only two days late. Then because of shortages in help, the registration itself was delayed something over one hour, but everything was running smoothly by 10:30.

Classes became closed at pretty much the expected time. Senior classes filling in the last hour of senior registration is a common sight. Junior classes filling near the end of the day, etc. Management classes again lead the closings with approximately as many closed classes at the end of the first day as the rest combined.

Again, thank you Dr. Pence et al. You did it despite the odds. Let's hope the cards run!
Letter to the Avion

In the past two years, since I came to Embry-Riddle, I have heard many people, myself included, complain about the military establishment that runs this school. The most persistent phrase is "This is an Army academy," not a military academy.

The administrative personnel involved are retired military officers. They have impressive military records and have proven themselves very competent. The practical, in one word, CHANGE. Some of these people have not been willing to accept the change from a military society to a university society and a younger generation with its own ideas and principles. They mean well in what they do, but they are trying to do it the way they would have done in the military.

The young American generation is a completely new type of people with an entirely new psychology. They are not only unwilling to accept change, but they are making changes. The older generations are just going to have to accept these changes or be shown under by them.

In my unit in the National Guard, we have many old aviators who have had difficulty in accepting the change to new aircraft. The operations officer recently told the flying squadrons that I felt that it applied not only to flying, but to life in general and I would like to share it with you. I feel that there is one of you who will take it to heart.

This is the story of an old aviator. He had been in flying since its earliest days. He had flown in the heaviest combat and had proven himself to be a fine pilot. He could fly anything in any condition. In fact, to him the more rickety the aircraft, the greater was the challenge and the more he liked it. He was a hero, and everybody was always listening to his tales of flying in the good old days.

Finally, the day came, as it does for everyone, for him to go on to the next life. He had lived a good life and he was selected to go to Heaven. In fact, he had lived such a good life that when he arrived in Heaven, St. Peter offered him the best and newest airplane. The airplane shined like a star. It was perfect, like none he had ever seen on Earth. But the old man didn't say, "St. Peter," he said, "do you have anything that vibrates like a little, lumpy old oil, or has static in the radio?"

"No," said St. Peter, "every airplane in Heaven is perfect. However, if you like you may go down to Hell and see if you can find anything you like." The old man went down to Hell and explained the devil just what he wanted. The devil took him to an old plane. It was dirty, covered with oil, had holes in the fuselage and one flat tire. Most of the instruments and radios didn't work, and there was excessive play in the controls and in all the critical bearings. In short the plane was a wreck. The old man climbed in and said, "Now, how happy. This the way it was in the good old days."

There is a moral to this story. If you can't accept change, you know where to go.

David Bonfield

On November 28, at 9:30 P.M., a security guard noticed the smell of smoke as he entered one of the offices on campus. An investigation revealed that a coffee pot had been left plugged in. After the pot had boiled dry, it had heated up to such an extent that its bakelite base melted and cracked and a plastic mat upon which it rested was noticeably charred. This situation presented a definite fire hazard, which could have produced drastic consequences had it remained undiscovered. The hazard did not originate with the coffee pot itself, but with the person who neglected his responsibility to unplug it.

Such an insignificant incident may not seem entirely noteworthy. Yet it points out the need for all students and faculty to define their responsibilities and then to fulfill them accordingly.

In a broad scope, we may split responsibility into six main categories: responsibility to God, to our families, to our nation, to ourselves, to our fellow man, and to our university. Each of these areas of responsibility carries with it a set of laws or a code of ethics which enable us to be productive individuals in society.

At Embry-Riddle, we are particularly concerned with laws and ethics, as any student of P.A.A., regulations, Business Law, or Aviation Law will readily testify. The Aviation field is perhaps the most regulated industry in existence. In comparison, the regulations that are applied on campus are relatively few and are easily complied with.

I earnestly encourage everyone who is connected with Embry-Riddle to become familiar with all campus regulations. They are designed for protection, not for harassment, and they have been derived to prevent incidents which have resulted in injury to students as well as to the campus society in the past.

Walter R. Hansen, Chief of Security

SECURITY AND YOU

THE AVION reserves the right to edit letters as we see fit in accordance with good journalistic practice. All letters must be signed, although names will be withheld upon request from the writer.

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As a result, the Eagles Notche Second Straight Home Win 80-79.

Down by thirteen points at half time and by as much as 20 points, the Eagles roared back to storm Folk College 80-79. Folk College had just come from a victorious Thanksgiving tournament in Miami and were sent home with their first loss and probably the only loss they will suffer this season.

Regardless of the outcome of the rest of the season, the Eagle basketball team has already proved itself because it has beaten teams that were ranked high in the state in pre-season polls and supposedly were unbeatable.

EAGLE BASKETBALL TEAM VICTORIOUS IN HOME OPENER

Last Saturday night at Mainland Junior High School, the Embry-Riddle basketball team opened up their home basketball season with a victory over the highly touted Florida Bible College of Miami.

Florida Bible College opened the game with a hot hand and jumped to an early lead. The Eagles from Riddle then rallied and at half time the score was knotted at 33 all.

Florida Bible started the second half similar to the first half and jumped to an early second half lead. Riddle tried to come back early but missed some key lay-up shots and fell further behind. With only three minutes to go in the game Florida Bible was ahead by nine points.

The Eagles then went into their man to man press and came up with some valuable steals to tie the game with one minute to go. And then to the delight of the enthusiastic crowd, the Eagles ran off five straight points before their opponents could score again, and Riddle won it 75-72.

It was clearly a team effort and team victory with five players in double figures and all the players coming in from the bench playing super basketball.

SPORTS

Perfect Record Spoiled

by Rory Donnelly

Last weekend, the ERAU soccer team faced a surprisingly tough squad from Florida Institute of Technology. Although Embry-Riddle raced to a 3-0 lead after the first 11 minute period, F.I.T. came back scoring 3 goals and tying the score at 3-3.

The tie score marks the first non-winning game of the regular season. The Embry-Riddle Eagles had been undefeated previously with eight wins in a row.

Embry-Riddle, confident of winning after the first period, replaced all of its regular players with subs. As a result, an enthused F.I.T. team spoiled the Eagles' brilliant season record.

The final game of the season will be played at the Airport Field this Saturday at 2 p.m. The Eagles will then play host to a tough Florida State University team.

EAGLES VS. JACKSONVILLE

DEC. 4
7:30
HOME

DATE TIME OPPONENT LOCATION
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Dec. 6 8:00 St. John's home
Dec. 7 7:30 Lake Sunter home
Feb. 5 5:45 Jacksonville Univ. away

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ATTENTION STUDENTS

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TERVIE TEAM FORMING

Coach Carl Brown has announced that there will be a meeting for anyone wanting to play on the ERAU tennis team on Tuesday, December 5 at 12:00 noon in Room 211, Building A. Anyone who would like to try out for the team should plan on being there.

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Today's Music--Quicksilver

I spent the Thanksgiving holidays visiting friends in Columbia, South Carolina. Quite unexpectedly, my path happened to cross that of touring Quicksilver Messenger Service, who were playing, I believe, on Sunday night. Also, with a bit of fast talking and name dropping I got myself invited to the post-concert party for the group. As far as the concert was concerned, it was almost good. The quality of Quicksilver's performance was as good as would be expected in the two thousand seat auditorium. The only drawback was the length of the time they played. Due to poor weather and radar failure at Columbia Airport, the group's flight in was delayed by two hours. As a result of the late start, an 11:30 p.m. curfew in Columbia, Quicksilver played barely one hour's worth of music.

The group, realizing the time limit, put forth an honest effort to give the audience their money's worth. Unfortunately, the shortage of time made this virtually impossible.

Quicksilver started out hot and stayed that way throughout the entire show. "Who Do You Love" was the lead off song and it immediately put the crowd in the mood, ironically enough the best performances, with one exception were from cuts off of their first album Happy Trails. The exception was "Fresh Air" that was the closing number and came from one of their more recent albums. How to get to the party? I did get a chance to talk to two members of the Quicksilver group and to say the least, they made a lasting impression on me. They appeared hypercritical. Their personalities didn't fit their style of music. This is all to say nothing about their "I'm cool" attitude.

As disappointing as it may seem, the party, except for the group, was much more of a success than the concert.

PLACEMENT

Captain Roberts, recruiting officer for the army will he on campus Tuesday, December 5, at the Student Center. That day is the official recruitment day for the Marine Corps, will be on campus on December 7 at the Student Center.

There are on campus employment opportunities available for those of you who want to work over the break period. Please stop by the Personnel Office for details.

Gilbert Summers Joins Flight Line

The welcome mat goes out to Mr. Gilbert L. Summers who was here as an E.R.A.U. staff member in September 1972 as Chairman, Flight Technology. He earned his degree in Aviation Technology. In this capacity Mr. Summers is the focal point for all activities associated with Flight Technology programs.

Mr. Summers hails from Missouri. He graduated from high school in Smithville, Missouri, and received his B.A. in political science from the University of Colorado and his M.A. in international affairs from George Washington University. He specializes in flight instruction qualifications in-such areas as transport pilot, en route instruction, flight instructor, advanced ground and instrument, multi-engine instruc- tor, single and multi-engine land and sea ratings among others.

Coming from Purdue University, Mr. Summers was the assistant chairman in the Flight Atti- tion Technology Division. He is married and has two sons aged 16 and 18 who are currently in Boulder, Colorado.