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Since it seems to be the fad, I too shall compound a few thoughts into column form for this issue of our dear dead bird. Main point to get over is that this is the darndest publication I've ever worked on. Things seem to slide all week long until Tuesday night, and then Reeves runs around with foam coming from the corners of his mouth shouting incoherent things about copy and columns and sports. Those of us who are willing to flunk everything Wednesday drive around to the OC for permission to get Reeves out of his weekly hole and back in the good graces of the administration. Then proceeds an evening of rewrite and fabrication and composition on two lousy typewriters in one lousy room. Bits and slivers of paper fly around as they are finalized and put together in final form on one bed. Last week someone sat on the first three pages and found himself typing out the entire sports content by himself. With such advanced facilities as these one o'clock evenings become commonplace, but the Dodo seems to survive. We all get a kick out of it, though, for we get to see what the more notorious cynics have to say before their columns are censored. At any rate, things have usually simmered down by Wednesday afternoon, but that night the stuff comes back from Cadet Activities on the Litho mats. The previous night is repeated, for there are inevitably errors that we have let slip through and are on the mats. We kiss the horrible looking green sheets goodbye Thursday morning, and that is the last we see of them until P and A calls up to find out what to do with 800 funny looking pamphlets. The thing is finally out by the weekend, of course, but there is always next Tuesday to look forward to.

HOSMER

NEWS BITS

by Ullery

Mr. Robert Manning, a senior editor of Time and Life, visited the Air Force Academy on Wednesday, October 30, to discuss the possibility of printing an article about the Academy in one of those two magazines.

Mr. Manning was flown to the permanent site by helicopter, and he dined as a guest of the Cadet Wing on Wednesday afternoon.

Four cadets are being considered for contestants on the Groucho Marx program, "You Bet Your Life." Second Classmen Phillips, Jolly, Siteman, and Derrickson are the possible contestants. Pictures and transcribed interviews of each of the cadets have been sent to the producer of the program.



HOOSE

We're always under pressure here.

DISK DIGGER



We're still in the season of pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns, but already the record companies are looking forward to one of the biggest Christmas sales of record ever. The music world is still capitalizing on the calypso craze. You'll be able to find such discs as "Calypso Christmas" on the record counters in the near future. Undoubtedly, there will be a few new songs. Probably the most notable is one as yet unnamed which was written (and will be sung) by Frank Sinatra. We haven't the name yet. And, of course, there'll be the usual "White Christmas," by der Bingle, Mel Tormé's "The Christmas Song," sung by Nat "King Cole, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," by Gene Autry, and "Jingle Bells," by any one of a thousand different singers.

Speaking of Frank Sinatra, as we were a moment ago, Lank Frank seems to have climaxed his current popularity with a new television show that shows off his talents to the fullest. As you know, this is the year of singers on television. There's Como, Fisher, Doris Day, Pat Boone, and now Sinatra has joined the throng. It looks as though Frank can turn out a program second to none. His scripts are in the breezy style which characterized the old Crosby radio shows...in fact, they're written by Bill Morrow, who wrote the Crosby radio shows. The first show featured Kim Novak, Peggy Lee, and Bob Hope. Looks like a successful year for Sinatra.

Searching through my files of past record hits, I stumbled across a few titles suitable for this Halloween:

- Ghost of a Chance
- Bewitched
- New York City Ghost
- Ghost Riders in the Sky
- Old Devil Moon

Don't miss the Woody Herman concert on the 8th of December. And give a listen to his latest Verve LP, "Jazz The Utmost." It's great listening and is by one of the best bands of this era.

NONSENSE

I like the new game we play at the table now: it's better than cops and robbers. It's organized and meaningful. I, a war-mongering American, have always wanted to get into a real war, not so advanced as football, but with bullets, blood and the like. I would like to finish my navigation training first. There is nothing so relaxing and gratifying as a half hour of warfare three times a day. Not that it makes any difference, but where is the enemy? In this glorious world of combat, there should be an enemy to shoot "things" down (at the discretion of the friendly commander). When the milk runs out of fuel, it should become a terrifying flame-out instead of a returning hero. What we really need is a giant status board at each combat zone corresponding to the scoreboard at dear old DU stadium. This is especially attractive in that it would provide the upperclassmen the environment required for the spawning of ideas and plans concerning women, girls, or both. There is the interesting possibility that some future graduates will think that jets are operated on milk and fly around hitting targets with tuna fish. This is especially dangerous in that some tuna fish are incapable, of serious damage to a sober enemy.

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I hate to eat and run sir, but I think I'm going to be sick.



TRUE COURSE: CAREER

◆ GOODRICH ◆

If by chance you have been wondering just how much you will be accruing on the old financial ledger each month as a newly-commissioned 2/Lt, here are a few of the answers, current as of the present USAF Officer pay scale. First, the pay of an unmarried officer with less than 2 years service: Base Pay, \$222.30; Quarters Allowance, \$68.40; Subsistence, \$47.88; Flight Pay, \$100.00; Total, \$438.58. Now to consider the pay of a married officer with less than 2 years service: Base Pay, same; Quarters Allowance, \$85.50; Subsistence, same; Flight Pay, same; Total, \$455.68. All you lads with the yen to make it down the aisle after graduation take a good hard look at the total difference. Doesn't look like too much, yes?

Just for the sake of argument, let's take a look at the resulting figures should Congress see fit to allow time in service academies count towards longevity. Unmarried 2/Lt just out of the Academy: Base Pay, \$296.40; Quarters Allowance, \$68.40; Subsistence, \$47.88; Flight Pay, \$135.00; Total, \$547.68. Add \$17.10 to this total to get the pay of a married officer with the same time in service. As you can no doubt see the difference would be appreciable.

If, according to the AF promotion set-up, you are promoted to 1/Lt eighteen months after your commission, you will pick up an additional \$50.76 in the pay envelope, single. If by then you have taken the big step, add \$17.10 to the \$50.76. These increases are the result of raises in base pay, quarters allowance, and flight pay. These figures are based upon eighteen months longevity. A considerable jump would result, as in the first case, should you be allowed longevity for time spent in the Academy.

Hope this info will help you to make prudent plans for the future. Past experience has shown that finance can prove to be one of the new officers biggest and most embarrassing headaches. As the old saying goes, plan ahead.

FIFTH COLUMN BY BURCH

I sat in Security Flight the other day gazing down at my red fourragere and reflecting on the tremendous power contained in the bits of cloth woven into red braid. The urge came over me to change the uniform again, but everyone was already in ranks, so I let them go.

My roomie read in the paper that role playing was a good way to solve problems...he talked me into helping him. I took the position of Squadron CO, and he played fourth classman. He hit me...claimed it gave him emotional release.

Note on note in last weeks DODO: The fourth class is in favor of letting first classmen have cars all year. They think it will get the first class out of their hair. Just out of curiosity, I wonder whether that statement contains a veiled reference to the First Class being a bunch of louses?

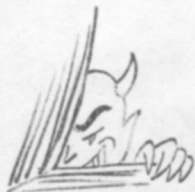
Why do you want a car anyway? It would just sink in the mud since there won't be a parking lot. Besides that, unless you've got a financee, who's going to buy the gas?

What is a fink? A fink is a small German bird. The fink of the month is the small German bird with the smallest CEP.

This morning Security Flight voiced a call which went something like this: "Attention in the area, attention in the area. A wedding band has been found in the cadet area. Would the cadet who lost same report to the Security Flight Room immediately!" I wonder whether they caught him?

Dave Goodrich's column intrigues me. I see the AF still maintains that \$17.10 is plenty enough to operate and maintain a wife.

CYNIC'S CORNER



Why is it that some people in the Wing persist in being happy? It was just the other day that I was overheard commenting that my FT grade was better than it had ever been. The EE instructor who overheard me offered to fix things.

Sunlines are the fad again. Turnouts in said type flight will be given on a specially equipped roller-coaster at Elitches. The MA-2 will be replaced by the latest style Prince Henry astrolabe. These will also be used in minimum altitude night braille missions.

Still don't know enough about EE to get overly confused. Mechanics is something else though. I am convinced that that branch of the turnout department is failing me because I have found a new and easier way to get problems wrong. (no free-body diagrams--saves time)

There is a cartoon strip soon to be initially syndicated through this publication. It will depict the epic proportions of the cadet's struggle to stave off the ravishing attacks of the blue comforter. Going to be named Call of the Pad.

Among other people, Col. Moody does not like the new schedule. He dislikes it so thoroughly that, through the simple medium of quizzes, he is trying to relocate his section by procuring new places for them in the Class of '60.

Funny that the Third Class moans as much as the Second Class did last year. They don't have a lot of ATO's, and I haven't seen too many of them serving punishments.

Is a coke machine per squadron really asking too much?

Sir the pabulum flight has arrived in the combat zone. Sir it is escorted by a flight of pink bibs.

Why should the cadet who is not engaged or going heavily with some girl be placed at a disadvantage to those that are, and thereby generally have access to an auto on these Second Class OBP's and weekends.

Happy to see the cold weather so that I can grace my new Rocky Mountain Blue lint collector with my new, longer and darker blue lint dispenser.

The LHA computer is a multi-dialed affair with some sixty-nine scales to plot various and sundry things. There is a yellow scale that tells how much beer one can consume in a given period of time using functions of weight, rate of consumption, and % of the beer. Also there is a scale that converts from Martinis to Keiths to Hermans to Manhattans to Vodka Collins, down to Screwdrivers, and finally back to beer. By placing the number of words in a form 10 over the third root of Aries and then rotating it to the numeral III, one can find the number of tours he will get for miscalculating his capacity under a little purple index that looks like a shaft. Football players should use scale IIIIf.

If you saw the AFA-School of Mines game, you would realize that football is the closest thing to soccer. It was good to see that a decent crowd is beginning to come to the games. The soccer team has met one tough competitor here at the Academy, and it's currently rivalling for top soccer honors in the area. Nonetheless, it gets little credit. Doolies seldom eat at ease for soccer victories, and its record, which is the best of the Academy teams, is generally ignored. We will probably play Mines for the regional championship later this year. Might be nice if the Rally Committee would come out and organize a rally.

"An academy is a place where the God-given rights of man are taken away and doled back one by one as privileges." Quote from Ambrose Bierce. The best one is the right that man stole from the angels--the right to fly, which is now being doled back as a Saturday Evening Privilege.

By SADLER (AT PARADE
REST)



LIKE I DIG YOU DAD

The Fourth Class table terminology has changed again, but it's doubtful whether some of the new terminology will last. What with the country going more "modern" every day, there is a possibility that someday the terminology will become really gassy-like hep--like real, man, A few of the possibilities:

Food arrives: Hey Dad; like I got words for you: the calories are upon us.

Cold drinks arrive: Message cats: I've got juices on channel nine. Anybody got eyes?

Flamed out: The flesh has been flung and is had--like consumed--like way out man.

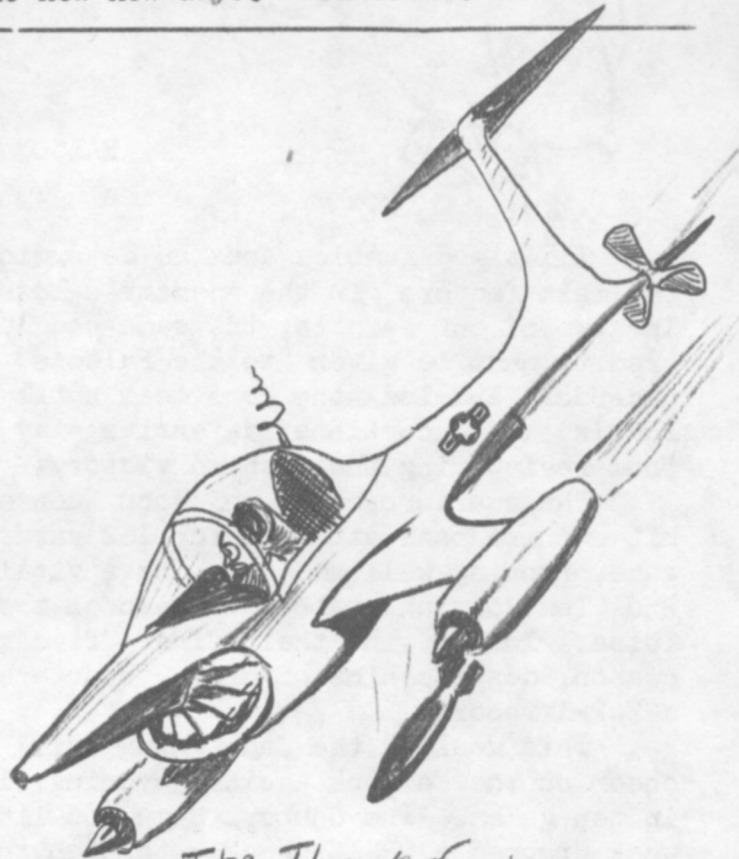
Cross country: Daddio! Words again. The flesh has cut out to the joint where the hash is stashed.

Seconds: Would the top dad or any other cat dig more spuds at this time? Man, like I'm bugging you for the spuds.

BHIEL

I BEEN CAUGHT!

The following report was found on a recent form 12: "Escorting in an unauthorized place, at an unauthorized time, in an unauthorized uniform." Can't get away with anything no time no how now days. Ask Trail.



The ThunderFink -

EDITOR'S COMMENT

The new ramp procedure seems to have brought out a rash of comments from the Cadet Wing. The only ones we got seemed to be mainly interested at poking fun at the new way of doing things. Maybe we'll have something on the other side of the fence next issue--maybe we won't. You never can tell what group is up to.

I received another letter the other day. It was from the University of Connecticut, and it requested us to print an article about the BUMBLE-PUPPY LEAGUE. With the letter came a detailed drawing of a Bumble-Puppy machine, and a set of rules for playing the game. If I had printed the article, the DODO would be completely taken up with the rules and regulations of Bumble-Puppy playing. Despite the fact that I knew the Cadet Wing was dying to know how to play Bumble-Puppy, I declined to print the article. Any cadets who simply cannot live without knowing how to play the game may come and see me. I have saved all the information I received. I may not have it long as I am thinking of forwarding it to the PT Department.

Already the DODO is planning to expand. We plan to print on larger paper. I have no desire to print on larger paper, but apparently there is a surplus of same. I consulted my staff, and they agreed that since we had to print the same number of pages on larger paper, we would have to print more. We did, We now have so many columns we havn't room for any news. I wouldn't sweat it because nothing happened this week anyway. Something happened last week though. I flunked three GRs. What did you do in your spare time?



Sports



FALCON FILINGS
by Hines

Well

KEEP SMILING!!

Ill-timed fumbles and the determination of Tulsa's famed forward wall were the main factors in the Academy's loss, the third in five games, last weekend. In two of our defeats, the same bad luck has been the main factor. Tremendous credit must be given to the Falcons, who went into the game three--touchdown underdogs and led the home team until the final quarter. Only an unfortunate fumble and exceptional defensive play by the Golden Hurricanes kept the cadets from registering their third victory.

The quarterbacking of John Kuenzel again shone, as the third class find hit on nine pass attempts for 162 yards. Phil Lane, at halfback, played a fine game, running well and catching a vital pass that led to the Academy touchdown. End Tom Jozwiak grabbed a Kuenzel toss for a 50-yard gain in the same drive. Tulsa, losers in their first five games, have been having a rough time this season, despite nine of eleven starters returning from the 1956 team, which had a 7-2-1 record.

This weekend the Cadet Wing will travel to Memorial Stadium in Laramie to cheer on the Falcons against Wyoming, last year's Skyline champions, undefeated in ten games. The Cowboys have not lived up to expectations this year and last week dropped a 23-15 shocker to Utah that snapped a 16-game winning streak that dated back to 1955. The loss of All-American halfback Jim Crawford has been felt, but their 16 returning lettermen, led by passing quarterback Larry Zowada and halfback Gene Damzalski, packs a mighty punch.

Wyoming will be a two touchdown favorite, but the Academy has a great chance to score a big upset. The outcome will hinge on an old Air Force problem--control of the air. The Falcons must defend against the accurate tossings of Zowada. The Cowpokes showed a rather porous defense against Utah's aerial tactics, which could be a decisive factor if Kuenzel continues his pinpoint air attack. The presence of the Cadet Wing should add to the team's morale, a factor not to be discounted.

The 1958 football schedule, still in the formative state, looks rather deadly. The tentative schedule includes Iowa, unbeaten 1956 Big Ten and Rose Bowl champions, and apparently headed toward another undefeated season; Stanford, who downed UCLA, 20-6, last week; Tulane, a perennial Southern powerhouse and Colorado University, which just missed the upset of the year last week in dropping a 14-13 squeaker to Oklahoma; plus many of the stronger teams that we play this season. The 1959 schedule includes the first game with Army, plus a return engagement with UCLA. The first game with Navy will be played in 1960. Other schools with whom negotiations are now underway are Baylor, Missouri, Oregon, Pittsburgh and Maryland.

PENSIVE MEANDERINGS--How long will it be before the Academy has its first All-American?.....Fourth classman Jim Ulm has looked good in recent varsity basketball practices.....look for feature stories on the gymnastics, fencing, swimming, rifle, pistol, ski, and wrestling teams in future issues.....advance notices for the Denver game on November 9th indicate a large crowd, possibly the largest yet for a local Academy game.

TULSA - AFA: GAME REPORT

Leading, 7-6, in the final quarter, the Air Force Academy football team dropped a 12-7 decision to a determined Tulsa University eleven Saturday night at the winners' field. The Hurricanes drove 44 yards for their winning touchdown in the final quarter, led by halfback Ron Morris. Second-string quarterback Benny Davis plunged over from the six for the score. The extra point try was smothered by the Academy line.

The Falcons had a wide statistical advantage, piling up 293 total yards to Tulsa's 229 and leading in first down, 13-11. John Kuenzel continued his accurate passing and hit on nine of 25 passes in pacing the cadets to a 162-8 air advantage. Tulsa made quite a bit of yardage through the line, but the Academy pass defense was sharp enough to hold the Hurricanes to one completion.

The home team drew first blood by marching 55 yards in the first quarter. Fullback DuWayne Gandy and Morris did most of the carrying, with Gandy diving one yard into paydirt. The Academy forward wall rushed the conversion attempt and the try was no good.

Taking the ball on their own 13-yard line in the second quarter, the Falcons drove 87 yards for the touchdown. Kuenzel was instrumental in the advance. He passed to Tom Jozwiak for a 50-yard gainer and then to Phil Lane for 17 more. Lane carried the ball across from the one. George Pupich kicked the extra point.

Twice the cadets had drives halted deep in enemy territory. The Falcons took the ball to the Tulsa nine, only to fumble, and another time carried to the 16-yard stripe, only to lose the ball on downs to the determined Tulsa line. HINES

"B" FOOTBALL TEAMS BOWS TO COLORADO MINES

Despite an overwhelming statistical advantage, the Academy "B" football team dropped a 7-0 decision to the Colorado Mines "B" Team Friday on the varsity practice field. The Miners scored early in the first quarter on a 50-yard drive, kicking the conversion. Fumbles hurt the Falcons, as they bobbled three times in scoring position.

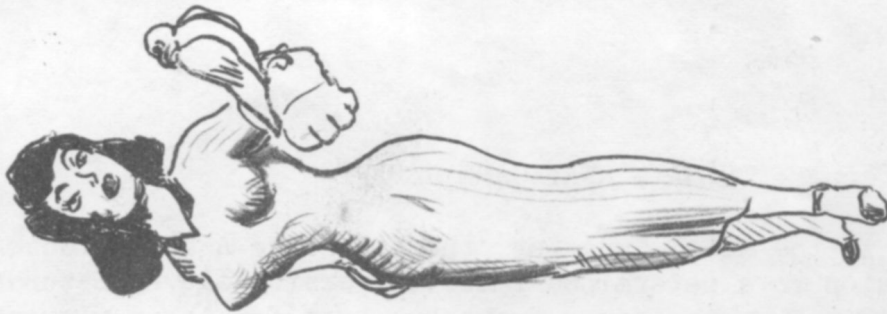
The Cadets' deepest penetration was a third quarter drive to the winners' 12-yard line, led by fullback Lee Dixon and scatback Vic Apodaca. A fumble halted the surge. The Miners' strategy of quick-kicking kept the Academy off guard and kept the losers deep in their own territory. Jim Alexander and Marty Moorberg starred in the Academy backfield, whose passing game was stifled by the mud that covered the field. The "B" team plays the Denver University, "B" squad this week. DU defeated the Miners, 55-0, earlier in the season. HINES

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS THIS WEEK

FOOTBALL--USAFA vs. Wyoming University at Laramie, Wyoming
Saturday, November 2nd at 1330 hours

"B" TEAM FOOTBALL--USAFA vs. Denver University "B" Team at AFA
Friday, November 1st at 1400 hours

SOCGER--USAFA vs. Wyoming University at Laramie, Wyoming
Saturday, November 2nd at 1400 hours



INTRAMURALS

FALCON HANDLER
OF THE WEEK

Eighth squadron won 28 of a possible 44 points to take first place and drive Fourth squadron all the way back to fourth position after Fourth had led the Wing before entering this week's contests.

An 18-0 win in football gave Eighth 12 points and this was enough to be the deciding factor in the battle for first place. The football game saw Eighth's quarterback Walker pass for one touchdown and drive over on a short option for another. Eighth won wrestling 18-3, and Eighth's lightweight, Starrett, put forward the best performance of the day. Soccer provided the most excitement as both teams blew several scoring opportunities in fighting to a scoreless tie. Fourth picked up their usual 10 points in track as Mills, Clarke, and two relay teams added their weight to an all around good effort to win 46-18 for Fourth.

Track was cancelled but First won football and wrestling from Sixth, and they tied soccer to pick up 28 out of 34 points to move into second place by two-tenths of a percentage point. First's quarterback Jones scored twice on short options and Haring drove over the right side from six yards out to add another to give First and 18-6 win. Perhaps the most exciting play of the game was Sixth's touchdown which was scored when Thomas returned the opening kickoff of the second half 75 yards. First won wrestling 18-3 as Beker, Mroska, and Bristow scored pins for the winners. Once again the closest match of the day was soccer which ended 1-1. Atkinson scored a first period goal for First and the game wasn't tied until early in the Fourth period when Morton booted in the tying goal for sixth.

The only event that took place on Wednesday and Friday was wrestling. Seventh defeated Fifth by a score of 17-15 as Fullerton and Coiner were outstanding for the winners. On Friday Third defeated Second 15-10, and Reavly and Wagner of Third were outstanding in pinning Huffman and Schaum. Jansen looked good as he scored a pin for the losers. The weather forced everybody else to retreat to Arnold Hall or to the Sack.

INTRAMURAL STANDINGS, 28 October

Squadron	Points	Possible	Percentage
Eighth	104	176	59%
First	94	166	56.6%
Seventh	80	142	56.4%
Fourth	74	132	56.0%
Third	48	98	49%
Fifth	44	98	45%
Second	52	142	36.6%
Sixth	42	122	34.4%