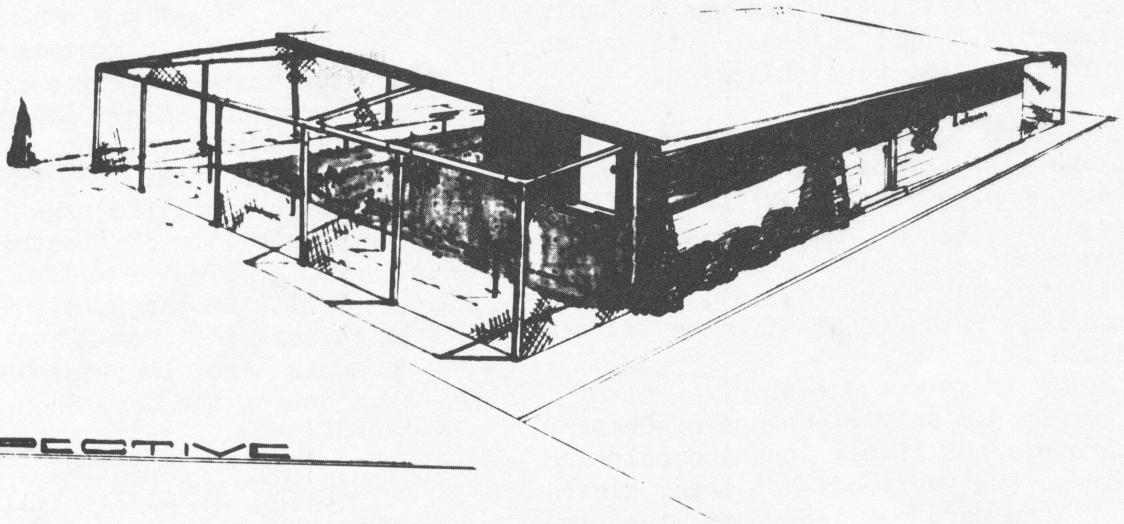


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FALCON

Whoever called Terrazzo parades "inclement weather" parades wasn't just joking!

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For some unexplained reason the Second Class is buying new uniforms (which several tailors admitted they don't need) for over \$100 and at the same time paying \$2.00 per month to have buttons sewn back on (the first is scheduled to drop off about a week after Spring finals).

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Some civilian type commented on last Saturday's parade that it was somewhat "rattling." He was probably referring to the rifles - it was so cold that they were shivering.

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Then there was the guy who got a Class III for coming in late (military hop.) Originally the offense read something like "...improper judgement, ie, magneto intentionally failing on take-off....", and of course, intentional offenses rate a Class III.

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It was only a Change-of-Command parade, but it was long and cold and windy. And everybody wet their gloves for the parade. And then the fun began!

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And remember when writing those essays, there're two ways to do it: the right way, and the Air Force way. And guess which way we'll be doing it!

Doesn't it just gripe you to be all set for a parade and have Security Flight change the uniform from Class A's with sweat suits and overcoats to Winter Parade Dress with T-shirts, 5 minutes to First Call?

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The TALON got a card the other day from WooPoo wanting to know why the "cadet holding the mule in the Oct. issue has on a white shirt? we don't wear white shirts but have cuffs that form fit the sleeve." The simple answer is that it wasn't a white shirt; it was a blue one.

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There was a movement afoot last Saturday to get every cadet to report on Emergency Sick Call (after the parade) for treatment of frostbite. Nothing resulted; so, in the future, more effort will be made to increase the possibility of frostbite.

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Next week the Purple Falcon hopes to invade the Comm Shop for a few comments and impressions on cadets from one of the Comm Shop types. Stay tuned!

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Last Sunday's Allied Arts presentation answered the problem of how to live through cold parades. All you have to do is carry a bottle of applejack with you.

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C E N S O R E D



MISS CANADA OF 1960 was one of the ten semi-finalists in the Miss America contest last September in Atlantic City. A 5'6" honey blonde, she speaks fluent French.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Having missed the Change of Command parade last weekend while freezing in Illinois instead, I was surprised to see so many shivering cadets scurrying about. It appears that my bitter cynics haven't thawed out yet.

Ye ol' Flyng Tyng Dept managed to send me o'erwater this weekend--I hate to miss the fencing meet, but I'd like to get my wings.

In the near future we're going to start printing pix of intramural action. The Polaroid camera is a tremendous development--but it remains to be seen how well it will reproduce its prints in the DODO.

The cover pic this week is a shot of the proposed Falcon mews, which will eventually house Mach I, Mach II, and Mach nth.

Ran into a couple of AF officers last weekend who suggested that the AF Times run a series of articles on the Academy, stressing the technical details, such as the meaning of stripes on the sleeves. They contend that all publications play up construction and allow the cadets to go about virtually unnoticed.

For those in '60 who remember JB Fournier and Barry Brennan, both send their best wishes.

Well, off to the land of 3000-word essays on being and nothingness.

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THE FALCONS' MOUTHS

by Fred T. Walker '60

Last weekend turned out to be a highly successful one for the Academy when a group of its debators returned from Colorado State College with another handsome first place trophy adding to the Forensic Association's growing collection. The tournament at CSC consisted of five rounds of debate, with 35 teams competing for the first place trophy.

Tom Owens and Ed Zompa distinguished themselves by defeating Colorado University, Brigham Young, Wyoming, Western State College and Pueblo Junior College to win the first place trophy.

Whalen and Stringer, fresh off Class III, finished 3-2, defeating Colorado School of Mines, Adams State and Western State, while losing to two teams from Brigham Young.

Jensen and Mangold had their worst day of the season, winning two and losing three. They defeated Northern Illinois University and Pueblo Junior College, losing to BYU, CU and Adams State.

Dennis Dillon and Tom Patton, competing in the novice division, finished 4-1, defeating Adams State, Regis, Loretto Heights and CSC. They lost only to Wyoming.

Stanton and Keyes, also competing in the novice division, finished 3-2 and Brophy and Williams, in the senior division, also had a 3-2 score. At press time, due to a communications tie-up, the names of their victors and conquerors were unknown.

This makes two years in a row that the Academy has won this tourney. We hope that this streak will continue to run for many more years. Our congratulations to Owens and Zompa.

TWO USAFA CAPTAINS PLACE IN AF CONTEST

Two Air Force Academy instructors won fourth and fifth prizes in the recent Air Force-wide annual short story contest. Captain John A. Magee won fourth place with a story entitled Forced Landing, while Captain Boyd Johnson took fifth place with an entry called The Search on Zeus Mountain. They received \$100 and \$50, respectively. The contest was won by a TAC officer, 1st Lt. James D. Houston of the 20th TFW in England, who called his story Neptune Taming A Seahorse.

WELL-KNOWN USAFA DATE IS NAMED "MAID OF COTTON"

Sandra Lee Jennings (5'5½", 35-24-35, 121) of Riverside, Calif., the daughter of SAC Major and Mrs. Alpheus M. Jennings of March AFB, was named the 1960 "Maid of Cotton" recently. Well-known to Cadets Ted Hopkins, Dick Shepherd and Sam Hardage, Sandie has been a popular favorite at several AFA field trip dances at March AFB. She was Miss California of 1959 and a finalist in the Miss America contest. Cadet Hppkins had the dubious pleasure of being involved in a world-wide news story concerning Miss Jennings, now part of the USAFA story.

The new cotton queen, an English major at the Univ of Calif at Riverside, will visit 30 American cities and six European countries on a six-month tour during 1960, displaying an all-cotton wardrobe.

Smiles from the System

Then there was the doolie who sent up the form D-96 with the comment: "Mister Willingham is one hell of a waiter."

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Let sleeping cadets lie (then write 'em up).

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"Sir, there was a man here to see you today."

"Did he have a bill?"

"No, sir, just a regular nose."

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A man came to a psychiatrist and proceeded to unfold before the doctor his life story, covering his childhood experiences, his emotional life, his eating habits, his vocational problems, and everything else he could think of.

"Well, said the doctor, "It doesn't seem to me there is anything wrong with you. You seem as sane as I am."

"But doctor, protested the patient, a note of horror creeping into his voice, "It's these butterflies. I can't stand them. They're all over me."

"For heaven's sake, "Cried the doctor, recoiling, "don't brush them off on me!"

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AND THEN THE FUN BEGAN DEPT.

Well, Furd, that was a gross gaze. Give me three stars!"

"Yes sir. Three stars are: Miss Marilyn Monroe, Miss Kin Novak, and Miss Sophia Loren...."

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Upperclasman: "Mister, give me a current event."

Doolie: "Yes, sir. In Tibet there is a new expedition going after the trail of the abdominal snowman..."



- Doolie: "Pudding for Cadet Skuzzy, please sir."

1st Cadet: "Did you stir that juice?"

Doolie: "No, sir".

2nd Cadet: "Hey there's no spoon in this pudding!"

Doolie: "Yes, Sir."

1st Cadet: "Well drop a spoon in it and send it down."

Doolie: "Yes sir."

You can imagine what he sent down with a spoon floating in it.

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It was not a slow lecture
It was not a fast lecture
It was a half-fast lecture.

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Then there was the cadet who had always wondered how to tell a male goldfish from a female. Since he was taking biology, he asked his instructor.

"Why there's no problem," the officer said. "If you put some sulfuric acid in the bowl and he comes floating to the top it's a male. It she comes floating to the top, it's a female."

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Early to bed, early to rise-----
makes one tired, a cold, and ^D.

REFLECTION

18 Outside
Eskimo afraid
Igloo leave
Yetwing parage

Present arms
Glove wet
Stick butt plate
Funny? You bet.

Arms port
Ear bump
Snap off
Icy lump.

PEWYNNE

THE ESOTERIC

But is it better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all?

We heard an interesting theory this week comparing the Acropolis to an aluminum ant colony. Only one question came to mind which might wreck this hypothesis. Ants are credited with some degree of intelligence aren't they?

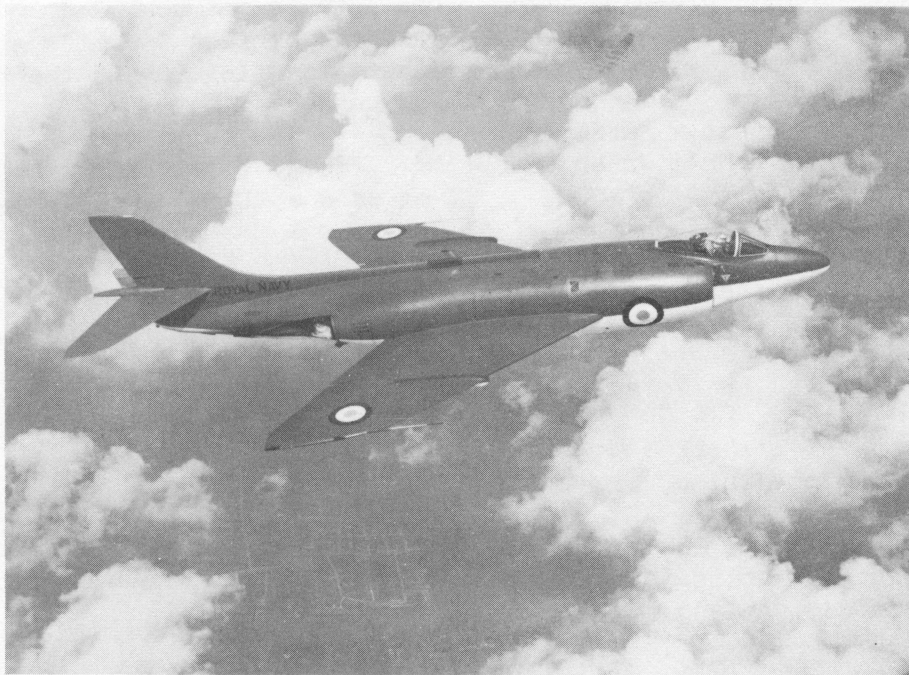
Cadets will not receive hazardous duty pay for marching in parades. However, in extreme cases, i.e. emergencies where frostbite and loss of limbs result, they may receive APC tablets upon obtaining permission from their squadron commander.

Late in the night the snow was still falling from a leaden sky. The stillness was awesome as it consumed the silent car and it's four occupants. Suddenly the night air was rent by on lucid expletive: Fred, don't.

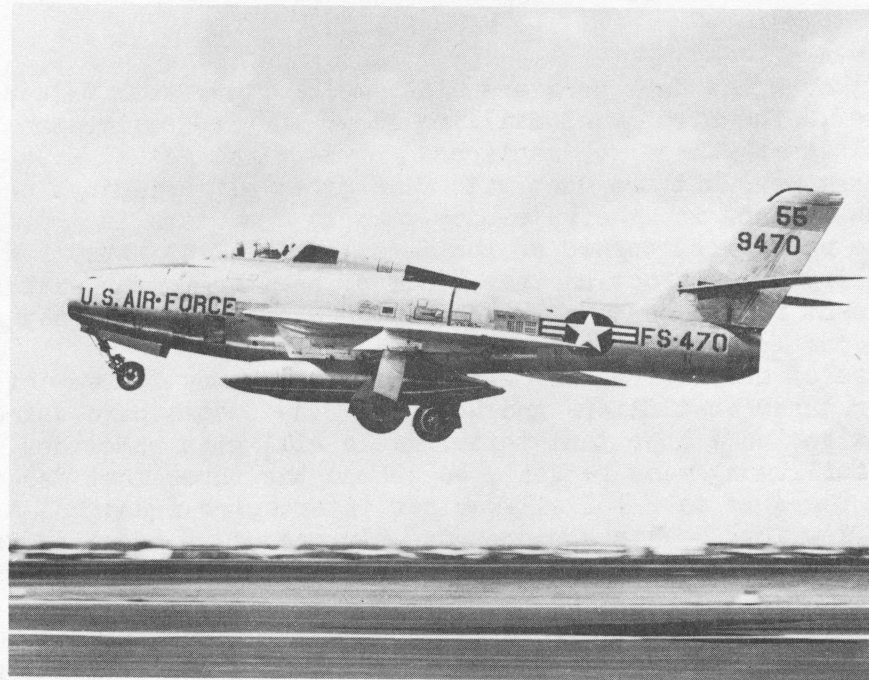
Everyone seems to be striving to get into the "Gloom Period" early this year. It is a positive attitude, and this is good. We feel, however that after you reach a certain level of gloominess it is wasted effort to try to get gloomier. Since the first day back from leave put most cadets on this first plateau of gloom, we can only suggest you remember to:

"Have a good time living, 'cause you're a long time dead."

CEB III



THE VICKERS SCIMITAR is a twin-engine British recce-bomber. Used by the Royal Navy, the Scimitar is a speedy hit-and run aircraft, classified under U.S. systems as a fighter-bomber.



TAKE-OFF! An Air Force F-84F fighter-bomber takes to the air from an air-strip in Europe. The nuclear-capable Thunderstreak is used extensively by NATO nations.

TALES FROM THE RED TAG DAILY WORKDER

The Moving Finger writes; and having writ,
Moves on: nor all you Piety nor Wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,
Nor all your Tears wash out a word of it.

This poem by Omar Khayyam may not mean much to some people but I think it typifys a good sequence of thought and even offers the solution. It applies to those thousands of decisions you may be called upon to make and seems to say that once you do something or commit yourself in some way whether it turns out right or wrong the really important thing is to stick to your choice to the end.

All this is especially apropos to me and so there will be a new SHANE next week and probably a new type TRDW. I only hope the new SHANE will continue with the spirit of this type column and the RT voice. those who read and follow the Dodo have seen it expand and grow from the first few relatively unorganized pages to the informative publication it is today. Just as the Talon has a purpose so too does the Dodo, in bringing the true scoop (sometimes slightly one sided) to the Wing in a form that fits the mood of the readers, slightly cynical tho it may be. Be that as it may, I think that the Dodo will contine to grow and I hope help retain some memories to those who pass on to bigger and better things. It may even someday become an entirely Cadet publication for and by Cadets.

SHANE

MEWS NEWS

Even though the dark ages are upon most of us, your falconers are as busy as ever. The birds must still be flown and fed daily, and kept ready for athletic events. As we mentioned in the last issue, we are mewless. Our temporary mews bit the dust with some other old buildings on the site. The falcons are now in their temporary-temporary quarters in the first floor room in the north-west corner of the dorm. We will be busy during the next month trying to erect another house or shelter in the open air. There is a permanent falcon house planned for the Wing, but the money is lacking because of our low priority.

Because of our Hegira, we have had to give away three of our birds keeping our three best fliers and Shasta. Many cadets have asked me where these gifts go; so I hope that this article will give some idea.

Last fall among many request, we choose the three most deserving recipients. There is an F-101 all-weather interceptor squadron at Griffiss AFB, Rome, New York. This squadron is only one of a couple in the Air Force whose insignia is designed around the falcon. Henry, a prairie tercel, will soon be their mascot.

Also last Fall, a Catholic priest, Father Robert Freudstein in Hugo, Colorado, asked for a falcon to aid him with his youth activities. Father Freudstein, with a little more training and experience with Circe, will have a very good flier.

The third bird, Anga, will be owned by a sculpter, Keiting R Donahoe, of Oklahoma City. He will use the bird as a model and later as a flier. Mr Donahoe has promised to give the Cadet Wing a few statuettes for our display.

One of our missions as falconers is to promote falconery where ever we can. These gifts of falcons are only a small part of this program. Captain Richardson, our OIC, is invited to talk at different civilian organizations and clubs about three times each month. Most groups of visitors escorted at the Academy are given a demonstration of our mascot's flying ability. By our activities we feel that we are accomplishing our mission of showing the CAP, with our mascot, the spirit of the Cadet Wing. We needn't fear that our actions are "going to the birds".

T&T

----- ENGINEERING SOCIETY TO ATTEND IAS

Five cadets will attend the annual Institute of Aeronautical Sciences conference in New York City next weekend. The cadets, members of the Engineering Society, will actively observe the papers on space travel that will be presented by leading members of the IAS.

Cadets Gonsky, K.M. Jones, Lachelt, Loh and Kominitski will represent the Academy.

INTRAMURAL OPINIONS

The wonderful world of winter is here and along with it, indoor intramurals. Due to the lack of facilities last winter, it has been two seasons since cadets have last participated in the indoor sports and after watching just a few of the games this week, the lack of experience is readily apparent. It is perhaps unfortunate that there can be so few experienced players on a team, that in some cases, the event taking place loses all identity with the name it carries. The worst of these is judo, which from all the comments heard around the mats and the action of the mats, should be spelled with a "W". It seems somewhat of a shame that a man must go into a contest without benefit of formal instruction or experience. In the contests observed so far, it is apparent that when two inexperienced men are matched, the contest soon degenerates into a brawl, and when one experienced man meets an inexperienced one, the record indicates that some rather serious injuries can result. It is only on the rare occasion that two experienced men

fight that the sport looks like judo.

Of the other sports, water-polo is probably going the smoothest, largely because it is a sport in which specific skills are not essential, the primary needs being for strong swimmers in good shape. This does not detract however from either the sport or its participants, who have come a long way in a short time. Because of this they are one of the more interesting of the sports from a spectator point of view.

The basketball teams are looking fairly good, considering the short time that the coaches have had to both organize a team and teach the inexperienced men the fundamentals of the game. The lack of fundamental experience is evident in the ball handling of several of the teams. The contests have had no small number of loose balls and wild scrambles.

Boxing, being another individual sport requiring experience, has been marked thus far by a few really good contests, several very one-sided ones, and quite a few wading contests.

INTRAMURALS

Results of games played Monday, 18 January, and Tuesday, 19 January.

Basketball

Team	Score
<u>1</u> vs 12	40-28
<u>4</u> vs 9	42-24
<u>5</u> vs 16	51-39
<u>8</u> vs 13	45-43

Waterpolo

Team	Score
<u>1</u> vs 12	4-1
<u>4</u> vs 9	5-4
<u>5</u> vs <u>16</u>	9-6
<u>8</u> vs <u>13</u>	9-5

Judo

Team	Score
<u>1</u> vs <u>12</u>	4-2
<u>2</u> vs <u>11</u>	4-2
<u>3</u> vs <u>10</u>	tie
<u>4</u> vs <u>9</u>	0-0
<u>5</u> vs <u>16</u>	5-1
<u>6</u> vs <u>15</u>	6-0
<u>7</u> vs <u>14</u>	4-2
<u>8</u> vs 13	5-1

Boxing

Team	Score
<u>7</u> vs <u>14</u>	4-2
<u>8</u> vs 13	3½-2½
No contests in 1st Gp.	

Of the basketball games played the first part of this week, probably the two most interesting were those played in Second Group on Tuesday. The contest between 5th and 16th was a somewhat more closely matched game than the score showed. Both were tall teams with well organized attack and defense patterns.

The hottest contest was that between 8th and 13th in which 13th closed a 4 point spread at half-time and even managed to lead by a point at one time during the last three minutes of play. Eighth was not to be beaten however, and even

the 19 points amassed by McClellan of 13th were not enough to forestall a discouraging two point defeat for 13th.

Due to some confusion in communication, there were no boxing bouts on Monday. However, all was straightened out in time for all of the fights to go on as scheduled on Tuesday. Some of the coaches seem to be having a little trouble getting their men sorted out into the various weight classes. The fights that were fought on Tuesday were well received by a goodly number of spectators.

GYMNASTS, FENCERS LOSE TO ILLINOIS

The Air Force Academy athletic teams that visited the University of Illinois ran into a virtual hornet's nest. The gymnastics team was downed by a 76-35 count and the fencers found themselves on the short end of a 17-10 score.

The bright spot in the gym meet was the 1-2 finish of Art Lewis and Paul O'Connor in tumbling. Lee Butler finished a close second in the tramp for the only other USAFA second place finish. Thirds were recorded by Mike Love on the parallel bars, Randy Schamberger in free exercise and by Bill Gibbons on the horizontal bar.

In the fencing meet, the Falcons dropped their first meet of the year, losing in sabre (8-1) and foil (6-3) and salvaging only epee (6-3). Third classman Gary Forrest won all three of his epee bouts, while John Browning took two of three. Captain Bob Davis won the only sabre victory, while George Hines took two of three in foil.

The gymnasts take on Minnesota and Colorado State University tomorrow in the Cadet Gym, while the fencers meet Iowa, also in a home meet.

----- DODO VARSITY SPORTS COVERAGE

The Dodo will begin a comprehensive coverage of the winter intercollegiate athletic program in the near future. The problems during past issues have centered around available space and the need for a sports editor. The former problem has been solved, but the Cadet Newspaper still needs a sports editor. Naturally, volunteers will be willingly received at 6G10.

----- INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS THIS WEEKEND

BASKETBALL	USAFA vs. Wyoming	at Laramie	Saturday
GYMNASTICS	USAFA vs. Minnesota, Colo St Univ	at USAFA	Saturday
WRESTLING	USAFA vs. Denver	at Denver	Saturday
SWIMMING	USAFA vs. Utah	at USAFA	Saturday
FENCING	USAFA vs. Iowa	at USAFA	Saturday
PISTOL	USAFA vs. Colorado Mines	at USAFA	Saturday
RIFLE	No meet scheduled		
SKI	No meet scheduled		

----- USAFA BASKETBALL RECORDS TO DATE

Team Records

Most Points: Against Arizona (115)
Fewest Points: Against Oklahoma (39)
Best Field Goal %: Against
Arizona (57.1%)
Best Free Throw %: Against
Colo St Univ (87.8%)

Individual Records

Most Points: Bob Beckel against
Arizona (50)
Most Field Goals: Beckel against
Colo Mines (18)
Most Free Throws: Beckel against
St. Michael's (16)
Arizona (16)

THE INSIDE STORY

by Decker and Goodyear

Antler Hatoff fell down on the street and hurt his head. The bump made him lose his mind. When he regained consciousness he said, "I'm God!"

The crowd, gathered around him, remarked at this; they wondered if maybe it could be true. Some believed. They followed him where ever he went.

A little dog didn't think he was God, and bit him. "I hate dogs," he said and he kicked the animal. "he is God," the crowd said, and they licked dogs, too/

Next he confronted a small baby and asked, "Who do you think is God?" The baby said, "Goo." This sounded like you; so the baby was made a general in charge of propaganda.

"Ourtown isn't big enough for us," he said; "Look at this map. We should have Thatown, too."

"He is God," the crowd said, and they formed an organization to capture Thatown.

Next he told the people from Fartown that he was God. They said he was nuts; so he lookat at the map again and said, "We should have Fartwon, too!" The crowd formed a bigger organization and attacked Fartown from the air.

Fartown wanted no part of this, so they called to Wayovertheretown for help. Wayovertheretown sent help, and so did Backdoortown. "He is God," said the crowd, "We have nothing to worry about."

One day when Wayovertheretown and Backdoortown had moved forces almost to his house, Antler Hatoff fell down and bumped his head. When he awoke he looked around and saw what was happening.

"Who did this," he asked. The crowd answered back, "You are God; you did this." He felt so badly that he shot himself. The baby, who had never grown up, told the crowd, "God shot himself."

No one would believe him. They all said, "He will be back." Antler Hatoff never returned!!

Now the towns were at peace. Then, about 15 years later, a small boy fell down and hurt his head. When he awoke, he scribbled a swaggersticker on a wall; he thought it looked like a spider, but it faintly resembled a swaggersticker.

All over the world, those people who were tired of trying to make something of themselves by working or learning, suddenly realized that here was a chance to be famous. They, too, painted swaggerstickers; these looked like swaggerstickers.

The people who were sick of swaggerstickers decided to shoot the people drawing them. Now it didn't look like such a good way to get famous. The swaggersticker drawers stopped and went back to being insignificant. BUT now everyone was more careful about letting little babies fall down and hurt their heads, and there were no more swaggerstickers.