

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Word has it that Tom Pattie, former member of the Class of '60, has passed his re-entrance examinations and will come back to the Academy with the Class of '61.

First Class escorts for the Cranwell cadets were impressed by the RAF Comet II (the Prime Minister's plane), in which they had a short ride. The deHavilland jet did a chandelle on takeoff and climbed to 42,000 feet, believe it or not.

Next week we'll start to run girls again in the Dodo. Technical difficulties (no pictures) forced us to forego these shots the past few weeks.

We're still in the ad-printing business, for those interested. Just write it out and drop it at 3G65.

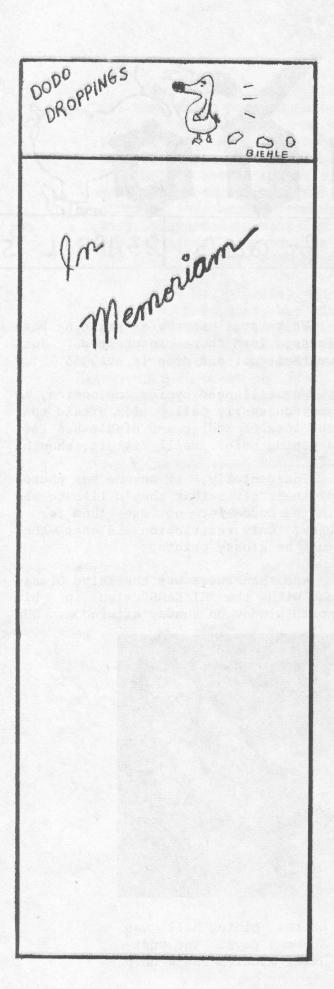
We still need cynics and comics, as you can easily tell. I'm afraid that the loss of Sadler and Biehle has left a gaping hole...we'll fill it, though.

Incidentally, if anyone has photos of their girls that they'd like to see in the Dodo--let us use them for a week. Only restriction is that they must be glossy prints.

And then there was the Third Classman with the "HI FANS" sign in his north window on Sunday afternoon. GHH



CADET DANCE--Last week's formal at the Dining Hall was reminiscent of formals early in Academy days. The addition of the RAF, Army cadets and Naval middies was a help.



CYNIC'S CORNER

I didn't quite make it last week as the 28-hour day they had scheduled me for didn't quite work out. And the three hours of lectures for which we got one hour of compensatory time kicked it all the way up to thirty hours.

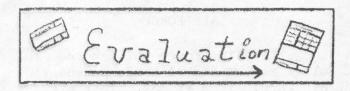
addition to the list of announcements we like best is the one of several weeks ago which pertained to having the IOD form the sick squad and march them to meals behind Twelfth Squadron. I happened to be sitting at a table with a group of civilian delegates to the Assembly when it was made. It drew only blank stares from them at first and then someone asked me what the sick squad was. I replied that they were the individuals who were excused from marching, and among the chorus of replies, the most vivid was, "Why that seems assinine!" could I disagree?

I sure am glad it's springtime in the Rockies again. All this snow has given me spring fever.

I see that the Department of Flying Turnouts is still trying to get me to take a writ I missed about two months ago. They have devised a wonderfully diabolical scheme. You are permitted to miss one single - weight recitation free for nothing. It's an outright gift. But since all their writs are at least two-weighters, I haven't yet been able to figure out exactly what it is they're giving us. But I'll bet that all of you out there have some ideas.

We're running a bodacious contest this week; merely write out your answer (in 1000 words or less) to the question: What does wearing your hat in the Dining Hall symbolize? Send your replies to radio station BARF, USAF Academy, 69 Colorado. The decision of the Wing Commander will be final.

TAYLOR



Evaluation! Ah, that wonderful. constant evaluation. What would life be like were it not for the pleasures of evaluation? Officers evaluate each other and the cadets: cadets evaluate each other and the waiters, the poor waiters go home and read the evaluation given their son in school. But the process is an ever continuing one--the teachers are evaluated by their principals, who are evaluated by the superintendent and school board who are evaluated by voters. And even the voters under a constant evaluation to see if they are worthy for membership "The Club". For that is the principle mission of the Club, to see that no one is allowed in their dressing been rooms who hasn't evaluated close enough.

But what happens to the voters who receive "nines" on their club evaluations? Why they drive around in small circles at the Air Force Academy on Sunday afternoons peeking in the bedrooms of the members of the blue zoo. Notice how surprised they are though when they find the little blue men peeking right back, waving to their fans on the outside. course the type of zooman who would do that sort of thing is the one who received such specifics as, "This man doesn't socialize enough." or, "This cadet was observed spitting on the grass." We all know that that could not be true. There is no grass in the "Climate Capital of the World". If there were, the Air Force's answer to the WPA would have two crews out to manicure the new growth--One crew to man the scissors and the other to supervise and evaluate. Good Will

NEW AOC FOR FOURTH SQUADRON

On 4 April, the Fourth Squadron officially received its new air Officer Commanding when Captain C. S.T. Mallett left for thirteen months of schooling at the Army Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth Kansas. The familiar green of the Army will remain with the squadron in the person of Major Charles M. Hall, USA.

Major Hall, his wife, and three children came to the Academy after a three-year tour of duty in Germany during which Major Hall served as the personal Aide to Lt. General John Uncles, Commanding Officer, 7th Corps. Before Germany, he served two years in Japan and one year in Korea with the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team. The bronze stars on his Senior Jumper's wings speak for his service in Korea. A 1946 graduate of the Military Academy, he has served continuously with the Airborne except for the time spent in school at Ft. Leavenworth and on the faculty of the Ft. Sill Airborne School.

When asked for his personal feelings about assuming this job as an AOC, he said, "I consider it an honor, especially as an Army officer. to have the chance to come here as an AOC. This position not only gives me the opportunity to become more familiar with the Air Force but also gives the cadets an opportunity to learn something about the Army; for many of them, this will be their only contact with the Army for a good many years. I feel that this exchange will be educational and beneficial to both parties, and I'm very proud to be taking part in it." And, of course, we are proud to have Major Hall with us.

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PROFESSIONAL NEWS NOTES by Dave Wiest

AFPS - This is the complexion of U. S. deterrent forces as envisaged by President Eisenhower for Fiscal Year 1960:

ARMY

The Army will continue to support 14 divisions and 23 other major units, including 4 missile commands, 8 battle groups and 3 field artillery missile groups (heavy).

The number of guided missile battalions will continue to increase as gun battalions phase out of the forces and are replaced by surface-to-air missile units. Nike-Hercules missiles will continue to replace Nike - Ajax weapons because they are superior in range and altitude and can be armed with nuclear warheads.

There will also be an increase in the number of battalions armed with Hawk guided missiles for defense against low-flying aircraft.

NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The Navy will continue to operate 864 active ships, 389 of them warships. Combat effectiveness of the forces afloat will be substantially increased as modernization and new vessels are completed.

Five Forrestal-class attack carriers will have replaced Essex-class carriers and three more will be under construction by June 30, 1960.

Particular attention is being given to building a strong and effective antisubmarine warfare force. Also, five guided missile destroyers and frigates will be put in commission and nuclear-powered surface vessels will be built.

The Marine Corps will continue to support three divisions and three air wings and will also activiate additional battalions equipped with Hawk - guided missiles for protection of its field forces against low-level planes.

AIR FORCE

The Air Force will have 102 wings at the end of 1960, a reduction of three from FY '59. This will be offset by the further modernization of inventory with all-weather Century series aircraft.

Also offsetting the wing reduction will be an increase in both the number and effectiveness of air-to-air missiles and the acquisition of a considerable operational capability with Bomarc ground-to-air missiles.

The Strategic Air Command's global striking force will continue to be strengthened by further deliveries of B-52 bombers and KC-135 jet tankers. The bomber force will also be strengthened by the First B-58 supersonic bombers in operation.

The introduction of the Hound Dog air-to-surface missile to the B-52 force will improve its ability to penetrate enemy defenses.

The Defense Department in an effort to save more money for the government has ordered a four-point program regarding proficiency flying pay.

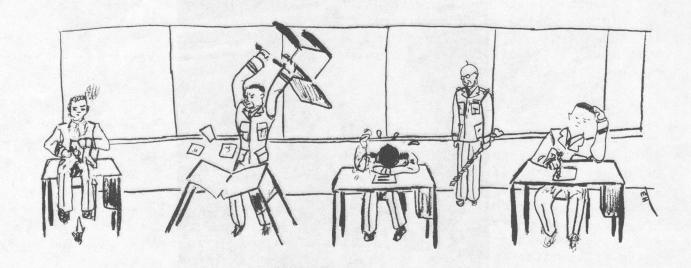
- 1.) Annual review of requirements for flying officers and the assignment of these officers to positions where their aeronautical skills and knowledge will be more effectively employed.
- 2.) Adoption of controls by the services to reduce the total number of flying hours by crediting administrative and support flying against maximums and minimums required to qualify for flight pay.
- 3.) Annual screening and removal from active service in flight status of those who can no longer be expected to fill positions requiring a rated officer.
- 4.) Continuing without proficiency flying the flight pay of officers who have held aeronautical ratings for more than twenty years.

YOU ASKED FOR IT

Good evening once again, from the makers of Skimpy peanut butter and all the folks here on the Skimpy "You Asked For It" program. Tonight, just as in weeks past, we are prepared to bring to you from all parts of this strange and exotic sphere the bizzarre, the astounding, the ridiculous; because...YOU ASKED FOR IT.

Here I have a letter from a Mr. Herman O'Broke of Depression, Michigan; and he writes... "This is the time of year that we all become very aware of government spending of our tax money. Since I'm a taxpayer, I'm very interested in what I'm getting for my money. I have heard that the government has been pouring millions of dollars into monuments. Would you and your cameramen please bring to your screen one of the best examples of this?"

Well, Mr. O'Broke, we were at somewhat of a loss when we first received your request, but after a careful consideration by our staff of the projects which would fall into the category that you outlined, we arrived at an answer. Here with the co-operation of the Department of Football, AFA, (we went to the Cotton Bowl last year), we are able to present to you the United States Air Force Academy and featuring those monuments of which you spoke, the class of WHITLY. Here on our stage because....(applause) YOU ASKED FOR IT, Mr. O'Broke.



G.R.

Gymnastics AAU

On Friday and Saturday, the Falcon gymnasts won the Rocky Mountain AAU Tournament held in the Community Center gym, taking 8 first places in the process. Ken Smith, versatile veteran of the money-men, won individual honors while contributing $45\frac{1}{2}$ points to the total of 162 amassed by the Academy.

Smith won the long horse, the high bar, and all around, plus copping third in the free ex. The rope climb was won by Jack Howell, with Larry Jolly taking 4th. Jolly also won the still and flying rings. Art Lewis took the tumbling title, with Paul O'Connor placing third. Lewis also took a second in the free ex, behind Bob Schamberger. On the sidehorse, Roger Schemenaur was 2nd, followed by Dave Wiest.

From all appearances, next year's team will be almost as strong as this year's has been. Although it's losing Canterbury from trampoline, Jolly from the rings, Shafer, working the parallel bars, and Smith, who does almost anything, the team's depth can fill almost any spot left open. Butler on the tramp, Lewis and O'Connor in tumbling, Schamberger in free ex and Mike Love on the parallel bars will make an excellent nucleus for the coming season's team.

PJB



BACK IN ACTION despite a cast on his wrist, Rich Mayo, fourth in the nation in '58 in passing, hands off to Fourth Classman Don Hallager, a top prospect for this fall, in spring practice.

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BASKETBALL ALL-OPPONENT TEAM

Players from five different schools made up the all-opponent team selected by the Air Force Academy basketball team.

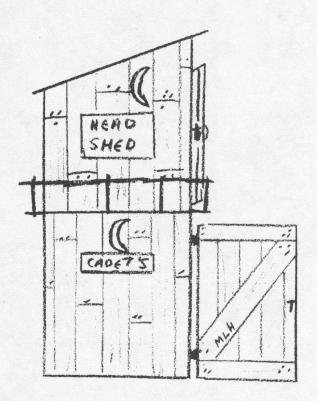
Marquette's nationally ranked quintet was the only opponent to place more than one player among the top ten choices. The Hilltoppers had one (Walt Mangham) on the first team and two (Jim McCoy and Mike Moran) on the second.

Dennis Boone of Regis received the most votes, followed by Mangham and Larry Chanay of Montana State. Rounding out the first five were Jim Peay of Denver and Dick Harvey of Creighton. The Falcons' all-opponent second five was McCoy and Moran, Gerry Schroeder of Colorado, Dennis Price of Oklahoma and Terry Happel of Wyoming.

BASEBALL TEAM DOWNS SAN JOSE

Bob Sapp squeezed in the winning run on a bunt single in the top of the ninth as the Air Force Academy baseball team won their first game of the season by edging San Jose State, 4-3, last Saturday at the losers' field.

Jim Gunter went the route for the Falcons and all three of the Californians' runs were nebulous, the first pair coming on a two-out homer after a contested pickoff and the third on an error. Norm Haller, Bob Sapp, Jim Burton and Herb Kuenzel all belted two hits for the cadets.



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