

TURRET TIPS

Squadron I

Notes on the weddings... Acting in true Squadron Commander manner Mr. Quick performed due honors to both brides at Saturday's weddings...

If the weather permits the playing of the first round play-off in the Bomber softball league to-night, let's be out there full strength to boost the "Fighting First".

Open for all challenges is Squadron One's water polo team. Although not officially worked into the sports schedule as yet, you other squadrons should start organizing.

As a member of the reception committee for the Houghton U. S. O girls, "Lover" Don Hartsough has been getting some pointers from Mr. Merwin as to how to conduct himself properly.

Searching for news the reporter found out that a boy had a girl last weekend. The boy was Gene Walker; the girl is still a secret.

Circling the Field

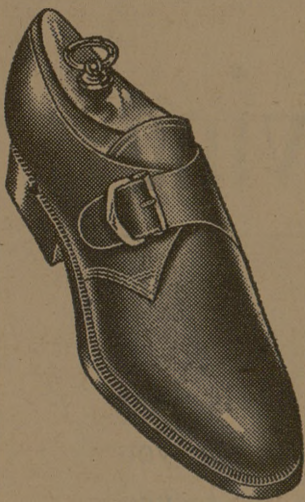
Squadron III

The following bit of (???) was composed by A/S Seymour J. Greenberg during a dull session of Mathematics:

Rebirth

As times endless processions pass And life's chaos in great array Cease to remain a nameless mass, A moment here, then fade away. A prominence through clarity Is etched in fine lines on man's mind, And then, long last, the rarity Of truth, love and sincerity An understanding he does find.

The world becomes a living thing, And Objects a new meaning grasp; This death of inhibitions brings Emotions seeking life at last. (See CIRCLING, Page 4)



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ACTD NEWS

RUDDER DUST

by A/S Jack E. Shaw

OBSERVATIONS OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER

I have noticed another improvement in the general condition of the detachment. In the past few weeks there has been a steady increase in the quality of drilling and academic flight marching...

The work in academics is good but must also show the improvement that the other phase of your training does.

Officers and men are working hard to make the coming "Wing Dance" the best that the detachment has ever seen. It is my desire that the young ladies who are invited to the ball be shown the best possible time so that they will return for the following dances, thus making it easier to get the young ladies for these occasions.

A hearty welcome is extended to all of Bryan and to the school as a whole, to be present at the weekly reviews that feature the 308th Air-Crew College Training Detachment. Incidentally, the last two reviews have shown a definite trend toward a higher caliber of drilling.

In closing, I would like to congratulate the excellent work that is being done by the staff of the "Air-Crew" news gathering and editing the news about the campus.

PLANE MARKINGS CHANGED Another change in the markings on the planes flying for the United States Air Corps has taken place. Behind the regulation insignia, will be placed a bar of red and white that extends to the left and right of the insignia.

Spot-lighting the Air Forces again, it is noted that we now have fourteen different commands in operation on the fighting fronts of the world.

NEW SQUADRON ARRIVES Sunday night showed another new squadron being ushered in to the folds of the 308th amid the splendid music by the band who lead the group up to the mess hall where one of those distinctive Texas A. & M. meals were served to them. New Squadron Four will probably be housed in Hart Hall where they will be initiated to the rigors of being an aviation student.

The officers and the enlisted personnel would like to offer a hearty welcome and a friendly hand-clasp to all the men in the new squadron. We want you to feel free to ask those many and inevitable questions and we will try to get you accustomed to your new home.

HART THROBS

Squadron V

I suppose all of you all know that we have additions to our little family. From the insignia, the new bunch are from several branches of the service. Here's wishing them a huge 'hello' and a hearty handshake, and all the luck in the world.

"Feets" Steger has concluded, after 15 hours of close observation, that the world is square, not round as commonly believed.

"Hermit" Henneke, the squadron's woman hater finally came around. He has been sweating a cute chick who lives in the campus, asked her for a date. He pours a quart of eau du cologne on, puts on his best G. I., even washes his hands for the big affair. Climax—he was stood up. Now he is twice the woman hater as before.

Alvin B. Cooter brought a quart jar of sugar home. There is one man the sugar shortage can't get down.

After the review Friday night, Squadron Five's guidon was bare. The boys soon fixed that, however, by designing their own 'Endurance' ribbon. It was made out of some sort of paper.

All kidding aside, fellas, that guidon looks like hell without streamers. Let's get with it—I mean, make with the magnif marching, and etc. We were the best. I believe we still are, and you know we are—let's prove it.

The band is marvelous. I remember the first time I heard it, and it really has improved. The boys have worked hard, and have shown us what real cooperation an dteam work can do. More power to them.

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WEDDINGS OF THE WEEKEND

St. Mary's Chapel was the scene last Saturday afternoon of the marriage of Miss Merlynn Loyacano of New Orleans to A/S Joseph H. Frucht, Jr., of Squadron one. Being a yeoman in the waves, the bride wore her white summer Wave uniform. She carried a bouquet of white roses. Mr. Joseph H. Frucht, Sr., father of the bridegroom, gave the bride in marriage. Marion Frucht, sister of the bridegroom, was the bridesmaid. Acting as best man was A/S Ralph Fuhrman from Squadron one. Father Valenta officiated for the ceremony. The couple spent the weekend in the city of Bryan.

Saturday afternoon also saw the marriage of Miss Eula de Gurse of Michigan to A/S Fred B. Weigman of Squadron one. The bride wore a Navy blue dress trimmed in white with a veiled Navy blue hat, and carried a white corsage. Mr. and Mrs. Norvell J. Maher acted as best man and matron of honor. The nuptial ceremony was performed in the Methodist Parsonage by Rev. Walton B. Gardner. Mr. and Mrs. Weigman remained in College Station for the weekend.

Spotlight on Sports

By BILL PLATT

The important sports news of the weekend comes from the Bryan Country Club golf course where Squadron II held a Blind Bogey match on Saturday afternoon.

The tournament went over with much success and in the future golfers of the Detachment are going to have an interesting time.

The was originated by Ed Martin, Squadron II athletic officer, and under the supervision of Lt. Segrest, a Detachment playoff is being organized. Squadron II had a tournament the past weekend and plans are going ahead to have Squadron V pick their best men by means of a tournament this Saturday afternoon. A Detachment playoff will be held after the Squadron tournaments.

The scores for the Squadron II men ranged from 95 beyond scores that can safely be released and protect the welfare of the writer of this column. Most of the players had not had a golf club in their hands for a year or more and from the looks of the scores some probably never had played before, but that did not harm the perfect afternoon that each one of the 24 golfers enjoyed.

William R. Allmon took the Blind Bogey prize by shooting a 129 and with a handicap of 47 his net was 81. Robert Collet also has a 81 net by shooting 114 but only had a 33 handicap. The two low men flipped a coin to decide the winner of the prize money.

Low scores for the match were turned in by Walter Miller, Paul DeNatal, and George Davis. Miller took the low score honors by blasting around the 18 holes in 95 strokes. Five strokes behind the lowest was Paul DeNatal, who finished the 18th hole with an even 100 total. Only two strokes behind the second place man was George Davis with 102 total.

Many practice licks can be gotten in before the Detachment play-off and Squadron II will have a first rate team with interest very high. Several golfers who have a respected reputation were on passes the past weekend and were unable to compete. The ace of the ones missing is probably John E. Martin, the slender lad is reported to have made the course in par, which is 72, already this season and also has a armload of medals and trophies he had won.

Squadron II won the praise of the manager of the Country Club for the fine conduct during the tournament and the following Squadrons should strive to keep the mark set by Squadron II.

Due to the formation of the new eight team softball league last week the activity was slow but the new league is about ready to start and action on the softball front will resume again this week.

Attention to all baseball fans! Service men do not get time to follow major league play like they have in the past but many will want to tune in the All-Star game that is scheduled Wednesday night. Probably many a baseball fan will hurry home from the Detachment meeting to listen to the baseball classic of the year that is second only to the World Series.

THIS WE FIGHT

By A/S Alvin B. Cooter

We are fighting more than just Hitler and the Prussian tradition of the past century; we fight also the Nazi education in the past twelve years. This is a perplexing situation that we must overcome; a situation we must cope with at the end of this war forced upon us by one man, but the traditions and education that he has taught, and is now teaching.

In the past century, Prussia, now Germany, has launched five aggressive wars which has cost the lives of twenty million men, and crippled ten million more. We think that it is a high price to pay so a country may have supreme control of the world. It is a high cost—too high.

In World War I, Kaiser Wilhelm II taught the same identical beliefs to his imperialistic men as Hitler is teaching today. Kaiser Wilhelm II, one of the more tender-hearted generals, said; "our civilization must be built its temple on mountains of corpses, and oceans of tears, and the groans of innumerable dying men." The German people are taught that Frederick the Great, Moltke, and Bismarck are superior to Bach, Schiller, Goethe, and Beethoven. "The weak shall perish; the strong shall survive". Those are the words of Adolf Hitler. Those are the teachings that must be destroyed, cut down and up-rooted like weeds from a garden. We must plant the seeds for the coming generation. The seeds must be sowed correctly this time or the weeds shall rise again and destroy our labors.

They glorify ruthlessness, preach hatred, destroy and twist the human souls into believing their tutor's lesson. We are taught the opposites: Peace, freedom, love and good neighbor policies, but we must forget these policies while we are trying to destroy our dastardly enemies. Forget those teachings now and fight to win the victory—but remember them in the peace to follow; remember them and sow the seeds and let the field flourish with democracy, freedom, security, and tranquility

DRIFTING

By A/S Fred J. Rosenthal

Prayer for Critics O, Father, give us eyes to see, Inspired, divine, intent Before we dip our pens in gall And bitter words are sent To blast the hopes of struggling one.

Lord, open thou our eyes And cast out every mote and beam Before we criticize.

Famous Last Words I never sunburn,I just tan. Captain, I've decided not to return to camp.

Dumbbell Pome Little girls want dolls for toys And soldiers are chosen by the boys

But grownup girls change to soldiers then And baby dolls are choice of men. Radio Fairy Story You know all about our product, so we'll go right ahead with the music.

Jest in Passing A magazine writer says that after the war women will be the ruling sex. That "will be" proves he's a bachelor.

One of those army haircuts isn't so bad after it grows on you.

Modern Trend "My! My! What a meal! exclaimed the new husband to his wife. "Isn't it wonderful that it can taste so terrible?"

Pet Peeve Trains that are hours late when I'm going home on furlough and run ahead of schedule when I return to camp.

When you have only a few minutes until train time to find someone who wants to make a trip next winter asking questions about it from the ticket seller.

Rosie's Journal "United States Spends All the Cash It Has Every Ten Weeks"—daily newspaper headline. Shucks, the United States will have to do better than that, if it wants to keep up with me.

Read yesterday that American soldiers are introducing corn in Ireland. Land Sakes, haven't they been getting any of our radio programs over there?

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Diamond Dick of Wild West Days Dies As Country Doctor in Nebraska

NORFOLK, Neb.—This town's link with the glamorous days of the wild west has been broken.

Dr. Richard Tanner, 74, known as Diamond Dick to thousands who saw his amazing feats of marksmanship at wild west circus performances before the turn of the century, died Friday night.

His death was due in part to a broken leg suffered in a fall at his home when a chair slipped out from under him.

He had kept his identity a well-hidden secret for fifteen years after he quit the circus show ring to become a country doctor in Northeast Nebraska.

It was when the local American Legion post sponsored a western rodeo in 1925 that his fellow citizens learned that Dr. Tanner was Diamond Dick. He appeared in the rodeo parade in the colorful buckskin costume, of his circus days.

He was quick to point out that he wasn't a Wild West hero as portrayed in the Diamond Dick stories that were so popular with youngsters some years back.

But his colorful career as a Wild West performer started when he was a youth of 16. Extremely proficient with rifle and pistol, he was attracted to Wild West circuses, and his skill soon placed him among the ranking performers.

He was billed as Diamond Dick, and for a time had his own attraction—Diamond Dick's Wild West Shows.

When he was in his early 20's he saddled a horse at Lincoln, Neb., and rode it to New York and back. He claimed it was the longest horseback ride on record—5,550 miles—without a change of horses.

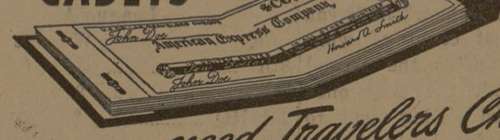
In 1905 he decided to become a doctor. Four years later he was graduated from the old Lincoln Medical College at Lincoln, Neb. In 1910 he began his practice at Norfolk.

Only once in Norfolk did he have occasion to use his guns and then they were not handy. He responded to the call of a groer who was being robbed. Unarmed, Dr. Tanner gave case, but the feeling robber outdistanced him. Somewhat chagrined, Diamond Dick unromantically telephoned the police.



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