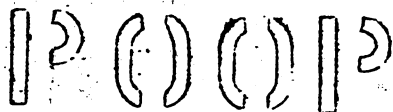


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THE "BITCH" BOX

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THE CLAY PIGEON Basketball Team will compete in the Basketball Tournament to be held in the Station Gym. This will decide the Station Championship and the CLAY PIGEONS look good to cop it. Let's give our team the support of the Squadron and really turn out.

The date of the games will be posted on the Squadron Bulletin Board. Watch for it.

THE WINNERS

The Local Quiz Contest held at the Enlisted Mens Bar was won by the CLAY PIGEONS. The "FITIN" "BITIN" outfit put up a fair battle, but lost by a score of 106 to 109. The close score was accounted for because of the rest our boys took during the second half of the contest.

At half time they were leading 111 to 74. The Brains for the CLAY PIGEONS were EDWARD ROHMIS, ROBERT R. TEMPLETON, HENRY R. HALL, GERALD R. JACKSON and ALVIN C. MILLER.

Sgt HALL walked off with individual honors with T/Sgt JACKSON running in the number two position.

Looks like the "FITIN" "BITIN" will never surpass us in anything.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the Personnel of the Squadron who contributed to the 300 missions just completed.

THINE!!! THEN ACT!!!

MUSIC WHILE YOU EAT ????

"THE SQUIRRELS" Station Band men are going to play in the Enlisted Mens mess hall every Sunday, providing you men want them.

Just drop your vote in the PIGEON POOP BITCH BOX and don't forget to vote, because the majority will rule. You can vote by a Barracks roll if you desire. CLAIR ELLIUGH, JOHNNY SCHIPP, HERBERT CAYARD, and MALCOLM CURRIE are the boys from the Squadron that want to play for you, so lets have the support of the CLAY PIGEONS. This program was started by the CLAY PIGEON AIR FORCE, as are all other improvements in the Group.

THE LOCAL "BINGE"

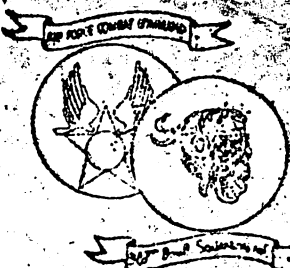
The Squadron Party held last week was really a gala affair. Many old friendships were lost and many new ones gained. The boys did all right, as they drank more beer than any other Squadron.

Only one casualty was reported, but then a "shiner" can always be powdered. All in all it was really a swell party and don't miss the next one.

OVER THE TOP

Congratulations are in order to N/Sgt "ZIP" HALZEL, Sgt MARK L. MADSON and Pvt CLINTON W. McCOMBS for the excellent maintenance record on their airplane "W" FOR WILLIE with 99 missions to its credit.

It will be the first one in the CLAY PIGEON AIR FORCE to complete the century mark. Good going boys.



1. Why can't Corp PHILIP B. FOSTER pull K.P. the same as the rest of the detail men? There are corporals from other Squadrons pulling it and he is no better than they. AMS: One reason is that NCO's should have more responsibility than I.P. when possible. The absence of the men now on K.P. is not as noticeable as far as site work is concerned as would be the absence of Corporal FOSTER if he were on K.P. in their place.

2. "Why are Enlisted Men required to pay for laundry services when they are not used? Taxation without representation", ANS: In cooperation with the British Board of Trade, agreements because of labor shortage, ETOUSA Circular # 51, dd 16 April, 1943 states, "Enlisted Men will not send articles to unauthorized contractors". This eliminates all laundry service except the Q.M. laundry. A further check is being made to cover the chances of a man doing his own laundry.

3. "Isn't there any way in which you can enforce the rule of lights out and quiet at 2300 hrs. It is getting pretty monotonous trying to sleep with the lights on and half of the fellows jabbering until as late as 0230 hrs each nite." ANS: Since the Station has personnel working 24 hrs each day it would not be sensible to have a definite lights out all over the site, but steps will be taken to arrange better control of the situation in individual barracks. Please mention the barracks number in question if this "bitch" arises again. It would greatly facilitate its control.

4. "Since ice cream is made available to the Officers daily in both of their messes, why is it that it can't be pro-

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 vided for the Enlisted Men at least once each week (Sunday) as formerly was the practice? ANS: The ice cream machine has been broken down for over a month. The Officers Mess has not had ice cream since the Enlisted Mens Mess had it. When the plant starts up again both places will get ice cream.

5. "Something should be done about bike stealing especially after early morning briefing and when missions are scrubbed". ANS: We would appreciate a practical solution. Locks are available at the PX. The M.P.'s have been contacted to make after scrub checks at the most likely place of apprehension. It is quite apparent that bikes are stolen for one way rides only, either to or from the line. What would you suggest?

6. Why do the G.I.'s have to clean up the Red Cross when they have a staff of ten or twelve with nothing else to do. We might as well clean the ~~messhalls~~ Pubs because we use them a darn sight more than the Red Cross club. Doesn't the Red Cross make enough money out of us plus the subscriptions to hire someone for that work? ANS: Several men use the Red Cross whether you do or not. The Red Cross has tried to buy civilian labor and has found it impossible. They are also willing to hire Army personnel who work on off duty hours in addition to regular duty. If you have no other duty and are detailed to clean up it would not be fair to pay you while other men have duties to do with no extra pay. As for cleaning up after Officers parties, you wouldn't be doing it if there was something more important for you to do or if we had

CLAY PIGEON'S LAMENT

THE DYING AVIATOR

A poor aviator lay dying,
 at the end of a bright summer day,
 His comrades had gathered about him
 to carry his fragments away.

The airplane was a pile on his wishbone
 his hotchkiss was wrapped around his head,
 He wore a sprukplug on each elbow
 'Twas plain he'd shortly be dead.

He spit out a valve and a gasket,
 and stirred in the slump where he lay,
 and then to his wondering comrades
 these parting words he did say.

"Take the manifold out of my larynx
 and the butterfly valve off my neck,
 Remove from my kidney the camrods,
 There's a lot of good parts in this wreck.

Take the piston rods out of my stomach
 And the cylinders out of my brain,
 Extract from my liver the crankshaft
 And assemble the engine again.

Pull the longeron out of my gullet
 the turnbuckle out of my ear,
 From the back of my neck take the rudder
 There's all of your airplane here.

I'll be riding a cloud in the morning
 with no rotory before me to cuss.
 Take the lead from your feet and get busy,
 There's another lad needing this bus.

AT THE OPRY HOUSE

Saturday 24 Feb, 1945:

"IN OLD CHICAGO" with Don Ameche and Alice Faye.

Sunday 25 Feb, 1945:

"THAT NIGHT IN RIO" with Carmen Miranda, Don Ameche, and Alice Faye.

Mon and Tues Feb 26 and 27

"PIN UP GIRL" with Betty Grable, Martha Raye, and Joe E. Brown.

Wednesday 28 Feb, 1945.

"BERMUDA MYSTERY" starring Ann Rutherford and Preston Foster.

Thurs and Fri, Mar 1 & 2

"SHOW BUSINESS" with Joan Davis and Eddio Cantor.

Saturday, Mar 3, 1945

"IRISH EYES ARE SMILING"

PIGEON POOP

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MUSINGS

Private First Class HARVEY FRESCH will give instructions in tap dancing. Guarantee you will be taps within two weeks

It is rumored that Pvt CHRIST R. LIND does not ask for his two day pass when he goes to the Orderly Room. Instead he asks, "Is my two day drunk ready?"

Congratulations to Sgt DARRELL ELLINS who will take an English Lass as his bride today.

DUE TO THE ACUTE SHORTAGE OF TOILET PAPER, IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE CLAY PIGEON AIR FORCE KEEP THEIR LESS KITS CLEAN.

 DON'T FORGET--EQUIP YOUR BIKE WITH LIGHTS..NOW.