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THE AGONY OF VICTORY.... and the thrill of defeat!

The CDG Action News Team has scooped the AIR Pulse once again. Here's the first on-base publication of 343 SRS personnel selected for Temporary Major. Soon to be wearing the golden oak leaves are: John Domina, Jean Eaton, Chuck Heaps, Ed Hornor, Dave England, Erv Prince, Paul St.Romain and Roy Williams. Some successful candidates were willing to share their secrets of success with us. Erv Prince feels that his recent outstanding performance in Athens led to his selection. Jean Eaton, an extremely canny Crewdog,

thinks it was his promise to PCS to Athens ASAP to straighten up after Erv. Chuck Heaps claims that the low profile is the only sure-fire approach, while Dave England says it was his haircut. Whatever the reasons, it looks like a career for these boys.

Overall the 343 rd did not burn up the track. With 21 Crewdogs eligible only 8 were selected, giving us a success rate of 38%. 1st ACCS scored 100% with seven for seven. 2 ACCS more than held its own with 9 of 13 successful, for 69%.

CDG WANT ADS WORK



An overjoyed Bill Bima called on July 31 to thank CDG for the excellent response he got from running his want ad in the Jul-Aug issue. "I'll bet your paper wasn't out for two hours before I found the perfect Head Crow. He had all the qualifications I had asked for and then some. He had been hiding in 55th INV as the Elint Branch Chief, but your paper brought him running to my office. I'd recommend CDG want ads to anyone with a pressing personnel problem."

The "Most Exalted High Ranking Rook of Recon that begged for the job in Bill's office is none other than Ltc "Rick" Thompson. "Rick" started Recon life in RB 47

types at Forbes in '62. It is rumored that he openly associated with Harry Moore in Topeka. Next a tour at Offutt in "C" models prepared the new Crow Chief for a grueling tour on Okinawa where he was known as "The Famous Mayor Of Kin Village". Then disaster struck. Due to a severe nervous disorder, Rick did time in the lunatic asylum at Barksdale as a CEVG compulsive killer. By '73 he was considered sane enough for light duty and returned to Kadena as a staffer. Finally, in July of '76, Rick was repatriated after a prisoner exchange with

REGIS BLOWS CHECK

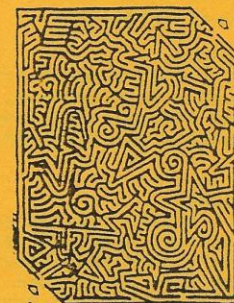


An unofficial AF Form 8 is making the rounds in the 55th SRW that puts the Commander in Qual Level 2 status. The document appears to be the result of a Receiver A/R Requalification oneckride flown by Col U. Capt Craig A. McFall supposedly was the evaluator. While making the highest possible score on the written portions of the check, our leader apparently left something to be desired in the air. During the refueling the Commander's seat was reclined and a very relaxed attitude was noted. He also forgot to push the disconnect button during an unplanned break-away caused by pilot induced roll due to large rudder inputs. The following cor-

rective action is already under way: Two hours study of the pilot's seat reclining mechanism supervised by Col Patrick. 200 actuations of the disconnect button under the supervision of Col Clary and an eight hour seminar on pilot induced roll conducted by Ltc Cunningham. Capt McFall would not answer CDG's questions and would not vouch for the authenticity of the Form 8. Col Urschler only smiled and commented that the "Second ten thousand hours are the toughest." CDG feels the whole thing is a hoax and an attempt to subvert CDG's hard earned reputation for sincere, factual and timely reporting.

Japan. He came back to Offutt and was trained as a "M" crow. After four straight tours back to the Pacific Paradise he had just left, he began showing signs of the same nervous disorder that got him to Barksdale. A long rest was in order, so Rick went into active retirement in the Crow Corner of the Silver Leaf Lounge. BUT CDG WANT ADS BROUGHT RICK BACK TO A NEW, USEFUL LIFE! "I owe it all to the CDG" said the new Ranking Rook of Recon. (He hates to be called the Ranking Rook.) YOU'RE WELCOME, RICK!

TDY FUN



VOGUE

Chauncey B. Sweetie is jubilant that his notes from Gay Paree helped do in the dreaded scarf, if only for the summer uniform months. Best keep it handy for aircraft tours, visits to the O-Club or other air conditioned public places like the BX. Chauncey also

suggested something else that sounds good. In line with CDG's "What the hell, go for broke!" policy, Sweetie proposed that we adopt a red cotton baseball cap in place of the flight cap. With "Reggie's Raiders" and rank on the front, we could wear our colors much more comfortably.

ACHTUNG!

Escaping while enroute to Stalag 343 were Majors G. Clopton and W. Conlan, whose assignments were canceled. Tunneling out under the wire were: Capts R. Wibbels (2 ACCS), K. McKinley (Commode Post), Lt. H. Sierra (Cro-Sked).

Maj Bill Forbis was sent to a home for the criminally insane at Kirtland AFB. New prisoners brought into the compound are: Lt S. Hentie, Capt R. Graham and Maj R. Evans. Welcome, Crewdogs.

FOR RENT: Executive suite at 55th Wing HQ. Four rooms, private entrance, paneled conference room. Will sub-lease to the right person. Present occupant rarely in town. No DO's. Contact Col Patrick for further details, sun-up to sun-down, seven days a week at 55th Vice Commanders office.

DEAR



MONGO

Dear Mongo,

I have been a Recon Crewdog for nearly ten long years. I've got 6000 hours and been TDY so many times my kids think I am a distant relative. I've got the Air Medal with 29 Oak Leaf Clusters and six additional duties to boot. My problem is that I am a Reserve Officer and I just got passed over for Major. What should I do?

Capt Roger Recon

Dear Rog,

Try to spread the celebration out over a few days. I find it is much better to party for a week straight than to try and pack all the excitement and relief into one short night. Congratulations, you lucky Crewdog!

Dear Mongo,

I am a newly arrived copilot at Offutt. Although I am a Captain, the DO here plans to upgrade several Lieutenants before me. I think it's unfair and told him so. What should I do now?
Name Withheld By Request

Dear Name,

Relax. You've got it made anyway. You'll probably get upgraded before your time anyway. You shouldn't have complained to the DO. Those Lts. DO have more experience. No need to irritate everyone. Remember those who will follow in your footsteps. Besides, on the slim chance that the Air Force doesn't give you everything your heart desires, there is always the airlines. They need women pilots to fill their equal opportunity quotas too.



Letters to the Editor

Editor:

Okay, how about a truce? I guess we didn't get off to a very good start. Maybe I deserved some of it, but don't you think you were a little heavy handed?

LTC James Morrow

.....You're right. Next time we won't be a little heavy handed.

Editor:

Give it to him, give it to him. I love it!

LTC Merlin Stevens

.....How soon they forget.

Editor:

Give it to anybody but me, anybody but me!

LTC Skip Orr

.....Who?

Editor:

As you probably know, wives and children read your paper as well as Crewdogs. Would it be possible to clean up your act just a little? I don't mind the yellow journalism so much, but the nudity and sexual overtones are most objectionable. Your last issue was in unacceptably poor taste.

Concerned Mom

.....Sorry about the slip. We try to keep our poor taste acceptable at all times.

Editor:

You always run pictures of naked women. As you know, we wives read your trashy rag also. How about a little male nudity? Perhaps a fold out of Col. Urschler wearing only his white silk scarf and a smile lying on the wing of his P-51? Fair is fair.

Interested Wife.

.....Col Urschler regrets to inform you that the Confederate Air Force forbids use of the WARBIRDS for any promotional purpose not specified in the CAF charter. However, he'd love to show you his etchings some evening. Call his office for an appointment.

BOHICA!

bend over, here it comes again!

Now it is the Bona Vista in beautiful downtown Glyfada. Looks like the swell ideas from Mildenhall are spreading all over USAFE. Thought you were one of the rare flying missions out of Athens that means something? Wrong again, you impertinent snobs. Two to a room at the BV is all you deserve. After all, where will we billet the entertainment for the support troops? Can't have the typists getting bored. So just move over and leave room for the "Tops In Blue", USO shows, and baseball teams, not to mention the PCS folks with six kids. Too bad you can't go see the entertainment. Just let the sound of jumbo jets on the ILS approach lull you to sleep. Don't think you can leave the area to get some rest on your off days either. No sea cruise or travel for you. Just chant the sacred mantra "We have a waiver" until you feel rested. Besides, No-Doze has agreed to supply two tons of tablets to help keep you sharp and alert on the sorties.

