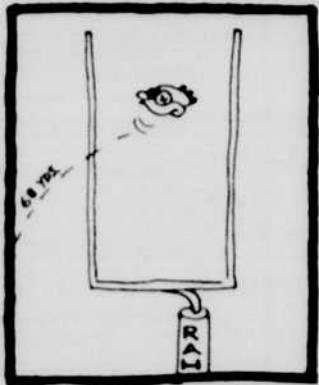


Chicken Bird

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He's feisty, he's alienated, he's Chicken Bird-Prince of Poultry! As both a victim of society and a menace to it, he calls 'em like he sees 'em! Other half-baked characters in this foul play include the wisdom of Science Duck, fearless Captain Plugg, and Susie - the token chicken chick!



NOW WHICH IS THE REAL WORLD?

Chicken Bird

ASKS, WHAT IS LOVE?

AND WHY DOESN'T IT WORK?

A LOVE TALE

ONCE THERE WAS A CHICKEN WHO FELL IN LOVE.

HOW JUVENILE!

ALL THE HEARTBREAK SONGS SOUNDED STUPID.

A YEAR LATER THE LOVE SONGS SOUNDED RIDICULOUS.

NOW THE CHICKEN CAN'T TELL WHAT'S STUPID.

THE LOVE PLANE AT 50,000 FEET

IS IT ME? OR HER? NEITHER?

WILL SHE ABANDON PLANE?

IT TAKES TWO TO FLY THIS PLANE... AND EVEN THEN IT MAY CRASH AND BURN. IT'S A LONG WAY DOWN... WILL C.B. AND SUSIE LIVE? WHAT CAN THEY DO?!

I MISS BUYING FLOWERS.

I MISS HUGS.

I MISS THE VEILED PUT-DOWNS, PHONE FIGHTS AND AWKWARD SILENCES.

SUMMARY

- LOVE IS AN AIRPLANE (POSSIBLY IMAGINARY) WITH TWO PILOTS.
- THE HIGHER YOU FLY, THE MORE EXCITING THE ENGINE PROBLEMS BECOME.
- FROM THE AIR, THE GROUND PEOPLE SEEM QUAIN & PATHETIC.
- IF YOU FALL, YOU'RE GONNA WHACK YOUR SKULL ON THE GROUND SO HARD IT'LL KNOCK YOU BOWLEGGED.
- YOU WILL GET BACK ON ANOTHER PLANE EVENTUALLY. SO CHEER UP.

WE ARE ALL WARRIORS IN THE WAR OF LOVE!